



St Peter's Church, Phibsborough

Parish Newsletter

Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time
6 November 2016



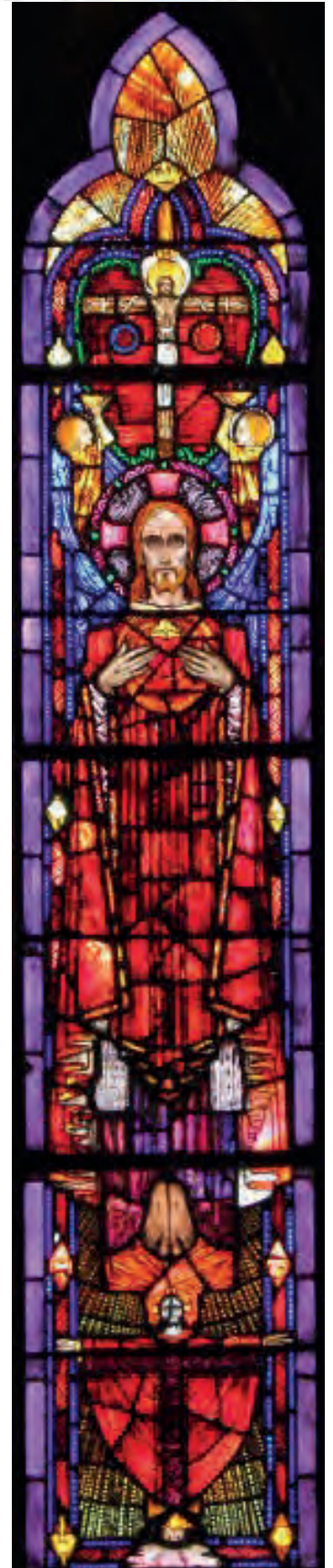
The word 'martyr' comes from the Greek and it means a witness. To be a martyr was to be a witness. It was to be a witness to a power greater than that which sought to oppress, to destroy and to end the divine life which flows through each of us.

The first reading represents any martyrdom of any believer. Down through the centuries, Christians have been tortured for their faith. And down through the centuries, Christians have tortured other men and women of other faiths, believing it to be the work of God. It still hasn't ended. Still today people of faith are being persecuted for their beliefs. Martyrdom is a reality that sadly is not likely to become obsolete soon.

No one grows up wanting to be a martyr. Circumstances and history have led people to have to choose between what they believe in and rejection of that belief. Throughout the world today, prisoners of conscience are in jails for what they believe. What marks a Christian martyr, among other things, is the solid and absolute belief in the resurrection. Knowing that we have here 'no abiding city' means that the privations or torture that a martyr endures is secondary to the promise of the Kingdom of God.

In these dark and dreary days of November, as the church year is coming to a close, this is a time for remembering the dead. It might be worth considering and praying for people who sacrificed themselves for us or for others; who gave up their own personal dreams and ambitions to look after a sick parent or relative, who stayed at home on the farm or in the family business so that another could go away to college or to work. These might seem to be small sacrifices, but in our minds and hearts they remain a sure and solid witness to the grace of God in the soul of that person.

Fr John Paul Sheridan
(taken from 'Intercom')



Mass Times

Sunday

Saturday vigil 6.30pm, Sunday 8.00am, 10.00am, 11.30am, 2.15pm (African Mass, 1st Sunday of each month), 4.00pm (Indian Mass, 2nd Sunday of each month) & 6.30pm

Monday - Friday

10.30am (& Monday at 7.00pm followed by Novena, except Bank Holidays)

Holy Days of Obligation

10.30am & 6.30pm

Confessions

Saturday immediately following the 10.30am Mass and at the Parish Office by request

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Monday Novena

"O Mary, conceived without sin, pray for us who have recourse to thee."

The Miraculous Medal Novena continues each Monday evening at 7.00pm. All are encouraged to attend.

Legion of Mary

Our Lady of All Nations meet on Monday's at 7.00pm and Our Lady of the Blessed Sacrament meet on Wednesday's at 7.00pm in the Frank Duff Room (entrance via the Parish Office)

Cuidiu

Cuidiu Breastfeeding Group welcomes all mothers and babies on Wednesday's from 10.00am - 11.30am in St Peter's Club (entrance at car park on Cabra Rd).

Join us as we Pray for Vocations

On Thursday's after Mass the Vincentian Community here in St Peter's invite you to join with them in prayer before the Blessed Sacrament for vocations to the Vincentian Community in Ireland.

Triduum in Honour of the Blessed Virgin Mary of the Miraculous Medal



Mass & Novena

Thursday 24th November 10.30am

Mass & Novena

Friday 25th November 10.30am

Feast of the Miraculous Medal

Saturday 26th November 10.30am

St Peter's Church, Phibsborough. All are welcome

Loving Memory

Please pray for the repose of the souls of all those who died recently especially Kathleen Smyth (Avondale Avenue). Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them, may they rest in peace. Amen.



Holy Doors of Mercy - Closing

As the Jubilee Year of Mercy comes to an end, Holy Doors that have been opened will close around the world. Archbishop Diarmuid Martin will close the Holy Door of Mercy in St Mary's Pro-Cathedral before 11.00am Mass on Sunday, 13 November. You are invited to cross the Holy Door at the Pro-Cathedral any day between now and 13 November. The door chosen by Archbishop Martin (an entrance to the left of the main door on Marlborough St) leads into an area of the Pro-Cathedral that has two confessionals, and a statue memorial to the Venerable Matt Talbot, whose life was healed from addiction when he encountered God's mercy. The Door also looks to the altar of St Laurence O'Toole, Patron of the Archdiocese, celebrated as a man of mercy. Holy Doors of Mercy will also close on same date in Our Lady of Lourdes Church, Sean Mc Dermott Street, Dublin, where the remains of the Venerable Matt Talbot lie; the Church of St Francis Xavier in Gardiner Street, which holds the Cross of the Venerable John Sullivan; the Parish Church of Ss. Peter and Mary in Arklow; and also at the House of Mercy in Baggot Street, Dublin established in 1827 by Catherine McAuley, foundress of the Sisters of Mercy.

The Vincentian Community and St Peter's Parish
invite you, your family and friends to join with us for our
Annual Mass of Remembrance



*when we call to mind our loved ones
who have died during the past year*



Sunday, 13th November at 11.30am

The death of someone you love is always traumatic. Their passing leaves a void in your life and home. We turn to family and friends to console us in our grieving. We also turn to God and his Word for consolation. We read in the Gospel Jesus' great promise "Trust in God still and trust in me.

There are many rooms in my Father's house." As a community, we will gather to support each other and turn to God in prayer for our deceased loved ones at our Remembrance Mass.

CHRISTMAS FAYRE



Saturday, 26 November
2.00pm - 5.00pm



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Sunday

32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

All the Saints of Ireland is not celebrated this year

Monday

St Willibrord, bishop & missionary

Mass with Novena Prayers 7.00pm

Legion of Mary 7.00pm

Word on the Word 7.00pm

Wednesday

The Dedication of the Lateran Basilica

Legion of Mary 7.00pm

Thursday

St Leo the Great, pope & doctor of the Church

Prayer for Vocations directly after Mass

Friday

St Martin of Tours, bishop

Saturday

St Josaphat, bishop & martyr

Sunday

33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Readings

Mal 3:19-20.

Ps 95:5-9, R/ cf. v 9.

2 Th 3:7-12.

Lk 21:5-19.

Weekly Collections

Recent collections amounted to:

Church (30 Oct) = €1,239.13

Share (30 Oct) = € 377.60

Thank you very much for your continued support.

Church Gate Collections

This week's is in aid of essential Church repairs. Next week's will be in aid of the Society of St Vincent de Paul.



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