

St Peter's Church, Phibsborough Parish Newsletter

> Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time 13 November 2016



One of the shock factors in disaster movies is to see a well-known landmark being blown up. There is the feeling that something like this could never happen. This was the way the Jews felt about the Temple in Jerusalem. It was so big and beautiful that it couldn't possibly be destroyed. However, it was and no stone was left standing on another after the Romans left.

In a pre-scientific world, it was very easy to assign every earthquake or volcano, storm or flood to the wrath of God and easy to see how people might have thought that. After the Tsunami in 2004, many people wondered how God could have let this happen. In any one of the communities where the wave struck, it must have seemed like the end of the world.

We live in a world where sensationalism is the order of the day and the more scandalous the occurrence the bigger the headline. These things also pass. Eventually the early Church, realising that the end was not as imminent as they initially thought, would settle into a life which was built on the teachings of Jesus.

The complaint in the letter to the Thessalonians may have been about the fact that some of the community thought that the Second Coming was so imminent that it wasn't worth working. We don't know what might have given them that impression, but it can't have been very far from what Jesus is talking about in the Gospel. The Benedictine precept of *ora et labora* is a good model for any Christian; to work and to pray. It calls to mind the story of the bishop in his study who is interrupted by his secretary. 'There's a man at the door who says he's Jesus', says the secretary. 'What should I do?' 'Look busy', was the reply from the bishop! As Christians, we should never just look busy, but be busy. The Kingdom of God is built among us and by us every day. The Father knows the day and the hour.

Fr John Paul Sheridan (taken from 'Intercom')

#### **Mass Times**

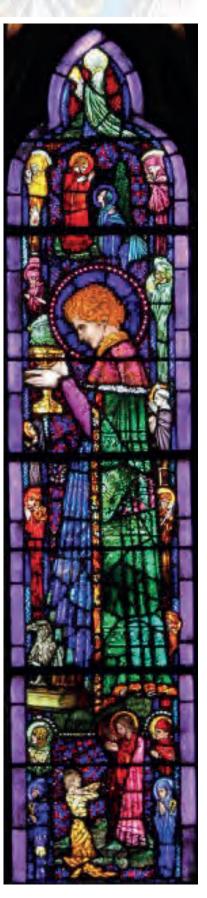
Sunday

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.

### A Word on the Word

Held on Monday's from 7.30pm - 8.30pm in St Peter's Club (entrance at car park on Cabra Road), the sessions will focus on the readings for the following Sunday.

# **Patrician Meeting**

The Legion of Mary will hold a meeting on Tuesday, 22 November in St Peter's Club at 7.30pm. The topic for discussion is 'Why Pray for the Dead'. All are welcome.

### 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 Margaret (Nuala) Ryan (Shandon Park). Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them, may they rest in peace. **Amen.** 



### 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). Cuidiu is a voluntary support group where you can meet other mothers, socialise, get advice, learn and make new friends. Phone Ann Rigney at 087 983 2433 or go to: www.cuidiu.ie for more details.



# Legion of Mary

Meetings take place on Monday's and Wednesday's from 7.00pm in the **Frank Duff Room** (entrance via Parish Office) Monday - *Our Lady of All Nations* Wednesday - *Our Lady of the Blessed Sacrament*  The Vincentian Community and St Peter's Parish invite you, your family and friends to join with us for our

# Annual Mass of Remembrance



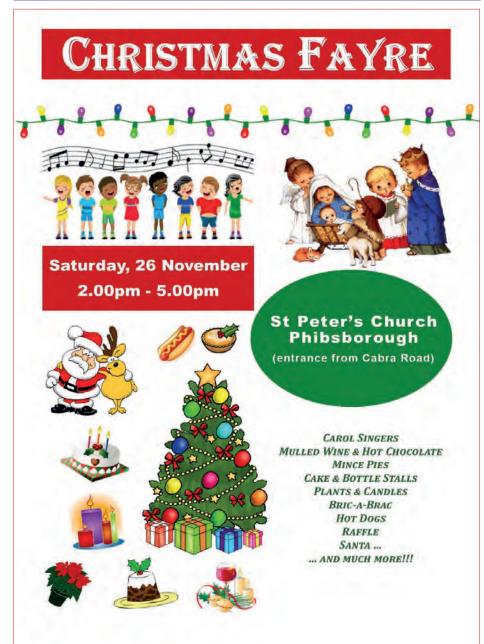
when we call to mind our loved ones who have died during the past year



Sunday, 13th November at 11.30am

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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 hisWord 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.



Sunday 33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

**Monday** St Laurence O'Toole, bishop Mass with Novena Prayers 7.00pm Legion of Mary 7.00pm Word on the Word 7.30pm

**Tuesday** St Albert the Great, bishop & doctor of the Church

Wednesday St Margaret of Scotland & St Gertrude, virgin Legion of Mary 7.00pm

**Thursday** St Elizabeth of Hungary, religious Prayer for Vocations directly after Mass

Friday Dedication of the Basilicas of Ss Peter & Paul

#### Sunday

Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe Readings 2 Sm 5:1-3. Ps 121:1-5, R/ cf. v 2. Col 1:12-20. Lk 23:35-43.

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#### Weekly Collections

Recent collections amounted to:

Church (1 Nov)	=	€	404.52
Share (1 Nov)	=	€	98.81
Church (6 Nov)	=	€1	,197.72
Share (6 Nov)	=	€	423.71
Repairs (6 Nov)	=	€	668.39

Thank you very much for your continued support.

#### **Church Gate Collections**

This week's is in aid of the Society of St Vincent de Paul.

Next week's will be the annual collection in aid of the Vincentian Lay Missionaries for the continuous works for the poorest of the poor in Ethiopia. VLM Volunteers who have worked in Ethiopia with the Daughters of Charity and the Vincentian Fathers will speak at Masses. For more information on VLM or how you can volunteer with them please visit: www.vlm.ie.

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