



St Peter's Church, Phibsborough

Parish Newsletter

The Baptism of the Lord
8 January 2017



How can we enter into the mystery of Jesus' humble self-abasement and Baptism? Gregory of Nazianzus, a fourth-century Church father tells us: 'Let us be buried with Christ by Baptism to rise with him; let us go down with him to be raised with him; and let us rise with him to be glorified with him.' Do you want to see changes in your life? And do you want to become a more effective instrument of the Gospel? Examine Jesus' humility and ask the Holy Spirit to forge this same attitude in your heart. As you do, heaven will open for you as well. The Lord is ever ready to renew us in his Spirit and to anoint us for mission. We are called to be 'light' and 'salt' to those around us. The Lord wants his love and truth to shine through us that others may see the goodness and truth of God's message of salvation. Ask the Lord to fill you with his Holy Spirit that you may radiate the joy of the Gospel to those around you.

*'Lord, fill me with your Holy Spirit and
in flame my heart with the joy of the Gospel.
May I find joy in seeking to please you
just as you found joy in seeking to please your Father'.*

Don Schwager

Triona Doherty
(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

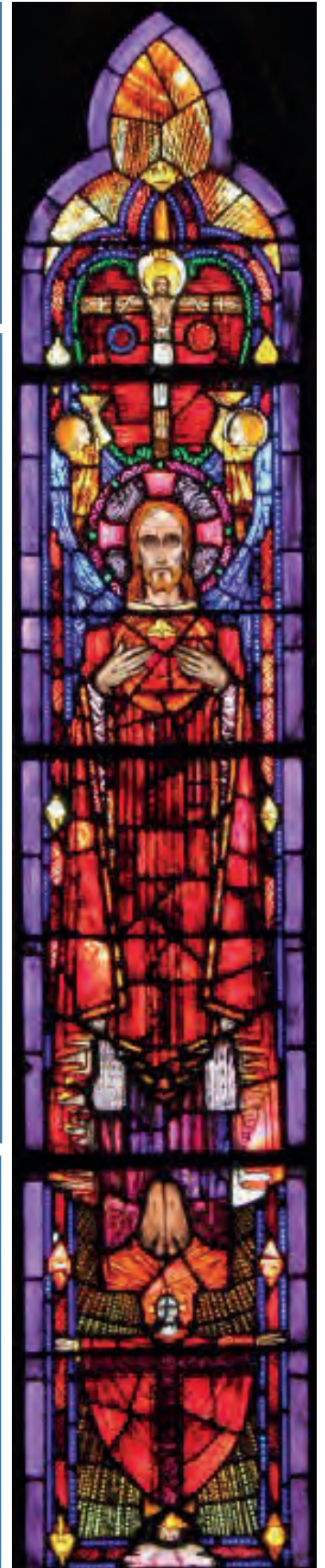
10.30am (& Monday at 7.00pm followed by Novena, except Bank Holidays)

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. This is the last one before Christmas. It will resume on 9 January 2017.

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.

Sacrament of the Sick

Our next monthly Sacrament of the Sick will take place on Saturday, 21 January at the 10.30am Mass. We especially encourage those of you who are ill to join with us if you can.

Loving Memory

Please pray for the repose of the souls of all those who died recently especially Roger Killeen (Norfolk Road), Bridget (Breda) Freeman (Shandon Park) and Colin McGinley (Monck Place). Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them, may they rest in peace. Amen.



Bereavement Counselling

One-to-one sessions take place on Tuesday and Wednesday evenings in St Peter's. For appointments and information contact: The Bereavement Counselling Service, Baldoyle, Dublin 13. Telephone: 839 1766, Monday to Friday from 9.00am - 1.00pm. For further information please email: bereavement@eircom.net.

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. Cost: €4 per session (members €2). Phone Ann Rigney at 087 983 2433 or go to: www.cuidiu.ie for more details. The group will resume next Wednesday, 11 January.

New Parent & Toddler Group

'Little Angels' Parent & Toddler Group will commence on Wednesday, 11 January 2017 from 10.30am to 12.00pm at Presentata House, 263 North Circular Road (entrance on Charleville Road). The cost is €3.00 per parent, tea and biscuits provided. Under the auspicious of the Legion of Mary.

Legion of Mary

Meetings take place Monday's and Wednesday's from 7.00pm in the **Frank Duff Room** (entrance via the Parish Office)

Monday - Our Lady of All Nations
Wednesday - Our Lady of the Blessed Sacrament



Do This In Memory

A special Mass will take place at 11.30am on Sunday, 22 January for all the children from St Peter's National School who are due to make their First Holy Communion this coming year.



First National 'Scratch' Choir

David Brophy, former Principal Conductor of the RTE Concert Orchestra and well-known front-man of the High Hopes Choir television programme, has launched an initiative called CHORUS IRELAND. Billed as the

country's first national "scratch" choir, CHORUS IRELAND aims to create a community of choral singers from the four corners of the country, coming together for residential weekend workshops, under David's direction, to rehearse and perform some of the greatest choral works in some of

Ireland's finest performance locations, together with a professional orchestra.

CHORUS IRELAND has three weekends lined up for 2017.

The first is in Kilkenny at the end of this month where the choir will rehearse and perform Haydn's The Creation in St Canice's Cathedral.

In April we will be in St John's Cathedral, Sligo for the Requiem by Fauré and Duruflé.

In June we will be in Limerick for Mozart's Requiem and Coronation Mass in St Mary's Cathedral.

We have a website where you can find all the relevant information: www.chorusireland.ie We are also on [facebook](https://www.facebook.com/chorusireland) where there are updates and videos about the project. You can register at: www.chorusireland.ie, www.facebook.com/chorusireland or twitter.com/chorusireland.

Bereavement Information Evening

Anam Cara, the national organisation that supports bereaved parents, is holding a Bereavement Information Evening on Wednesday, 18 January from 7.30pm to 9.30pm in the Carnegie Court Hotel, Swords, Co. Dublin. The guest speaker for the evening is Brid Carroll. This is a free event open to all bereaved parents. As Anam Cara will need to confirm numbers for event, RSVP to 085 2888 888 or email: info@anamcara.ie before Tuesday, 17 January.

Sunday

The Baptism of the Lord

Monday

Mass with Novena Prayers 7.00pm

Legion of Mary 7.00pm

A Word on the Word 7.30pm

Wednesday

Legion of Mary 7.00pm

Thursday

Prayer for Vocations directly after Mass

Friday

St Hilary, bishop & doctor of the Church

2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

World Day of Migrants & Refugees

St Ita, virgin is not celebrated this year

Readings

Is 49:3, 5-6.

Ps 39:2, 4, 7-10, R/ vv 8, 9.

1 Cor 1:1-3.

Jn 1:29-34.

Weekly Collections

Recent collections amounted to:

Church (25 Dec)	= €3,084.65
Share (25 Dec)	= € 671.88
Church (1 Jan)	= €1,493.62
Share (1 Jan)	= € 395.48
Repairs (1 Jan)	= € 484.88

Thank you very much for your continued support.

Church Gate Collections

This week's Church Gate Collection is in aid of the Society of St Vincent de Paul. The next collection is on 22 January and will be in aid of the Ladies of Charity.



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