



# St Peter's Church, Phibsborough

## Parish Newsletter

The Ascension of the Lord  
28 May 2017



### Good News

Today marks the 51st World Communications Day, and the theme for this year is 'Fear not, for I am with you': Communicating Hope and Trust in our Time. In his message to mark the occasion, Pope Francis urges us to engage in '*constructive forms of communication*'.

*'In a communications industry which thinks that good news does not sell, and where the tragedy of human suffering and the mystery of evil easily turn into entertainment, there is always the temptation that our consciences can be dulled or slip into pessimism,' he warns. 'I ask everyone to offer the people of our time storylines that are at heart "good news".'*

For Christians, Pope Francis says, the lens through which we view life must be the Good News, the gospel of Jesus Christ: *'In Christ, even darkness and death become a point of encounter with Light and Life ... Seen in this light, every new tragedy that occurs can also be a setting for good news, inasmuch as love can find a way to draw near and to raise up sympathetic hearts, resolute faces and hands ready to build anew.'*

It is fitting that this day coincides with the Feast of the Ascension. In today's Gospel, Jesus entrusts his disciples with the important task of spreading the Good News – to 'make disciples of all the nations'. The way we communicate, and the news we choose to share with others, is a vital part of our role as disciples.

*'The early Christians compared the human mind to a constantly grinding millstone; it is up to the miller to determine what it will grind: good wheat or worthless weeds. Our minds are always 'grinding', but it is up to us to choose what to feed them.'*

**Pope Francis** - Message for the 51st World Communications Day

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

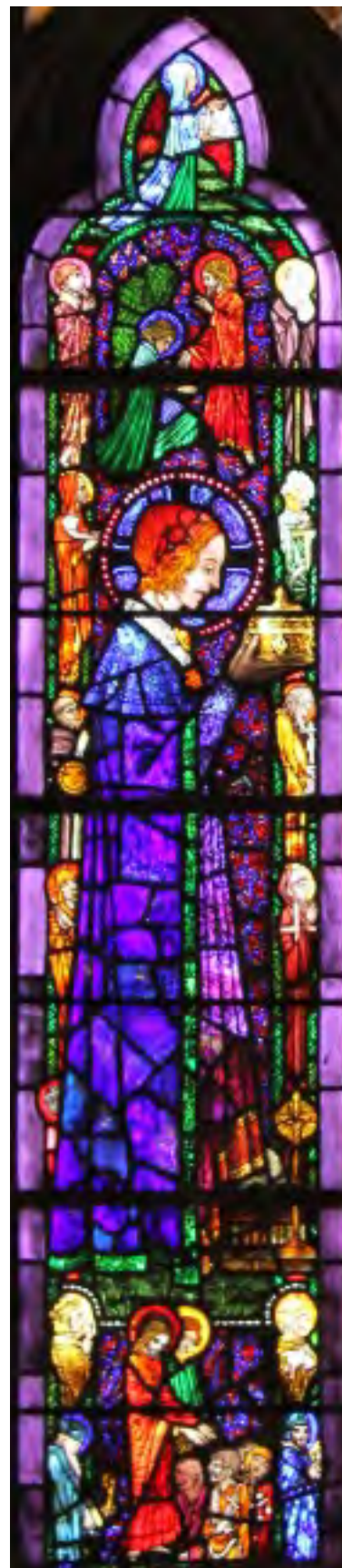
10.30am (& Monday at 7.00pm followed by Novena, except Bank Holidays)

#### 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

Now held on Tuesday's from 7.30pm - 8.30pm in the Conference Room (entrance via the Parish Office), the sessions focus on the readings for the following Sunday.

## Patrician Meeting

### Change of Date and Topic

The Legion of Mary will hold a meeting on Tuesday, 30 May in St Peter's Club at 7.30pm. The topic for discussion is 'Reflections on the Holy Trinity'. ***This replaces the previously advertised meeting.*** 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.

## Sacred Heart Confraternity

The Arch-Confraternity of the Most Sacred Heart will gather for the celebration of Mass and devotions the First Friday of every month at 10.30am. The next is on 5 May.

## Children of Mary Sodality

The Children of Mary Sodality will gather for the celebration of Mass the Saturday after the First Friday of every month at 10.30am. The next is on 6 May.

# Garden Party



**Sunday, 18 June**  
**2.00pm - 5.00pm**

**St Peter's Church**  
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### FUN DAY FOR ALL THE FAMILY

BBQ, GAMES, BOUNCY CASTLE,

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## Old Angels Memory Garden

This special Blessing of Remembrance today (Sunday) at 3.00pm is for all parents, family members and friends whose baby is buried in Glasnevin Cemetery, whether through miscarriage, stillbirth, cot death or a baby who died shortly after birth. We extend a warm invitation to families whose baby is buried in other cemeteries and hope that they will find some comfort in coming together to remember their baby in a special way.

## Come and Pray

The Annual Gathering of Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist will take place in Clonliffe Church at 8.00pm on Monday, 29 May 2017. This will be an opportunity to pray, reflect and sing together as we give thanks for the grace of this important ministry. Music will be led by the Dublin Diocesan Music Group. Contact Grainne at 808 7554 or: [litsec@dublindiocese.ie](mailto:litsec@dublindiocese.ie) if you intend to be there.

## Signed Mass Cards Online

It is now possible to obtain a Signed Mass Card from St Peter's, online. 100% of all offerings received go directly to us here at St Peter's Church. All you have to do is go to our website at: [www.stpetersphibsboro.ie](http://www.stpetersphibsboro.ie) and click on the relevant image on our Home Page.



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## In Loving Memory

Please pray for the repose of the souls of all those who died recently especially Joseph Somers (originally of Great Western Square). 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: (01) 839 1766, Monday - Friday from 9.00am - 1.00pm.

For further information please email: [bereavement@eircom.net](mailto:bereavement@eircom.net).

God of compassion,  
you are at the side of all who undergo  
the cruelty of human violence.

We entrust to you the victims of the terror attack  
in Manchester and their families.

Deeply disturbed by the incomprehensible sufferings  
of the innocent across the world,  
we believe that the words of Jesus, Your Son,  
words of love, mercy and hope, will never pass away.

So we implore you: send consolation and healing,  
grant us your peace, may your kingdom come.  
Through Christ our Lord. *Amen.*



## Pentecost Sunday

The African Chaplaincy, Catholic Archdiocese of Dublin invite you to join with them in St Peter's Church on Sunday, 4 June at 2.00pm. Featuring: Rosary, Praise & Worship, Live Gospel Music, Talk, Sacrament of Reconciliation and Eucharistic Celebration. All are welcome.

## Rally for Life

Join tens of thousands in Dublin City Centre at 2.00pm on Saturday, 1 July as we march to celebrate **LIFE** and in support of the 8th Amendment - the part of our constitution that protects the **EQUAL** right to **LIFE** of mothers and preborn babies. Let's send a clear and powerful message to the nation, to the government, to the world - we are pro-life and proud - and we will **SAVE** the 8th! More details from (01) 873 0465 or go to: [www.rallyforlife.net](http://www.rallyforlife.net).

## Legion of Mary

Meetings take place on Monday and Wednesday evenings 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 Ascension of the Lord

World Communications Day

Readings

Acts 1:1-11.

Ps 4:2-3, 6-9, R/ v 6.

Eph 1:17-23.

Mt 28:16-20.

## Monday

Mass with Novena Prayers 7.00pm

Legion of Mary 7.00pm

## Tuesday

*Bl. Martha Wiecka, virgin (Vincentian)*

A Word on the Word 7.30pm

## Wednesday

*Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary*

Legion of Mary 7.00pm

## Thursday

*St Justin, martyr*

Prayer for Vocations directly after Mass

## Friday

*Ss Marcellinus & Peter, martyrs*

Sacred Heart Confraternity 10.30am

## Saturday

*St Kevin, abbot*

Children of Mary Sodality 10.30am

## Pentecost Sunday

*Ss Charles Lwanga & Companions, martyrs are not celebrated this year*

Readings

Acts 2:1-11.

Ps 103:1, 24, 29-31, 34, R/ cf v 30.

1 Cor 12:3-7, 12-13.

Jn 20:19-23.

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## Weekly Collections - 21 May

Recent collections amounted to:

Church = €1,491.56

Share = € 318.17

Thank you very much for your continued support.

## Church Gate Collections

This week's is in aid of the Ladies of Charity. Founded by St Vincent de Paul they seek to help those in need in the local area. Their only source of funding is the monthly Church Gate collection, every cent of which is greatly appreciated.

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