



St Peter's Church, Phibsborough

Parish Newsletter

Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time
27 August 2017

Who do you say I am?

Peter gets it right in today's Gospel and Jesus calls him 'blessed'. That is, he is a person who brings a great gift and who brings that gift to others. Already in the community that Matthew is writing for, the community of Jesus' followers are gathering as 'church'. Peter is seen as Jesus' successor and future leader for that community.

Jesus is a very different Messiah to the one the Jews expected. It is understandable that he would order the disciples to keep quiet. The people of his time wanted a leader who would lead them in a military revolt against the Romans, who would be a great king. Jesus' mission involves a very different focus, reaching out to the outcast, those on the margins, a radical love. His actions will speak for who he is. It is for each of us to make up our own minds as to who Jesus is. Peter is quite clear and sincere in his declaration, however, as we will see later, Peter did not understand fully what the journey of Jesus would entail. Peter commits himself but it is a reminder that we must always leave room for growth in the understanding of our commitments.

*'The joy of Jesus bursts out ... and he speaks his dream
of an impregnable community of faith held together
by the power of God rather than by external organisation,
a community of commitment and freedom.'*

W. Yeomans

A question to focus on today might be: 'Who do YOU say that Jesus is?' What is Jesus for you, today, in your life at this precise moment?

Jane Mellet

(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)

Monday - Saturday

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.

Patrician Meeting

The Legion of Mary will hold a meeting on Tuesday, 29 August in St Peter's Club at 7.30pm. The topic for discussion is 'St John the Baptist'. 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.

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.

Legion of Mary

Meetings take place on Monday and Wednesday evenings (ex. Bank Holidays) 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

In Loving Memory

Please pray for the repose of the souls of all those who died recently especially Martin Maughan (formerly Cabra Park). Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them, may they rest in peace. Amen.



Happy Anniversary

The African Chaplaincy of the Catholic Archdiocese of Dublin is celebrating its 10th Anniversary and cordially invites you to the following events:

Choral Night on **Saturday, 2 September at 6.00pm** in Westmanstown Conference Centre, Blanchardstown.

Anniversary Mass & Thanksgiving with Archbishop Martin on **Sunday, 3 September at 2.00pm** in St Peter's Church, Phibsborough.

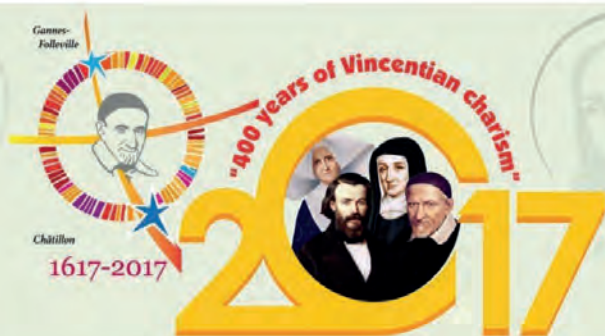
Annual Harvest Thanksgiving takes place at the National Show Centre, Cloghran Roundabout, Swords, on **Sunday, 17 September at 12.30pm**. This is an annual event whereby the African Catholic faithful from the Archdiocese come together to worship God in praise and thanksgiving for his bountiful blessing of love, kindness, mercy, forgiveness and protection in their lives.

For more details contact: Fr Cornelius 0871467257, John 089 964 2783, Francis 087 418 2334, Ifeoma 086 882 4259, Henry 085 109 2562 or Martin 085 161 1640.

25th Coffee Morning

Celebrate the 25th Anniversary of Ireland's biggest Coffee Morning for Hospice together with Bewley's by hosting a Coffee Morning for St Francis Hospice on **Thursday, 14 September**. St Francis Hospice is very dependent on the community to support these initiatives. The more people we have either hosting or attending Coffee Mornings will result in much needed funding for the provision of our services to patients and families. To become a host and get your free Bewley's Coffee Morning pack contact St Francis Hospice on (01) 832 7535 or register online at www.sfh.ie.





St Peter's Parish Vincentian Pilgrimage to Knock

Saturday, 9 September 2017

Cost: €50 per person

(includes coach, morning coffee & evening meal)



Celebrant: Fr Michael McCullagh CM

Bookings at the Parish Office Monday to Friday

10.00am - 12.00pm Tel: (01) 838 9708

(Bookings commence on Monday, 17 July)

**Coach leaves St Peter's at 7.45am sharp and
returns to St Peter's at approx. 10.00pm**

21st Sunday in Ordinary Time

St Monica is not celebrated this year

Readings

Is 22:19-23.

Ps 137:1-3, 6, 8, R/ v 8.

Rm 11:33-36.

Mt 16:13-20.

Monday

St Augustine, bishop & doctor of the Church

Mass with Novena Prayers 7.00pm

Legion of Mary 7.00pm

Tuesday

The Passion of St John the Baptist

Patrician Meeting 7.30pm

Wednesday

St Fiacre, monk

Legion of Mary 7.00pm

Thursday

St Aidan of Lindisfarne, bishop & missionary

Prayer for Vocations directly after Mass

First Friday

Sacred Heart Confraternity 10.30am

Saturday

Children of Mary Sodality 10.30am

22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

*St Gregory the Great, pope & doctor of the Church is
not celebrated this year*

Readings

Jer 20:7-9.

Ps 62:2-6, 8-9, R/ v 2.

Rm 12:1-2.

Mt 16:21-27.

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.

Next week's will be in aid of essential Church repairs.





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