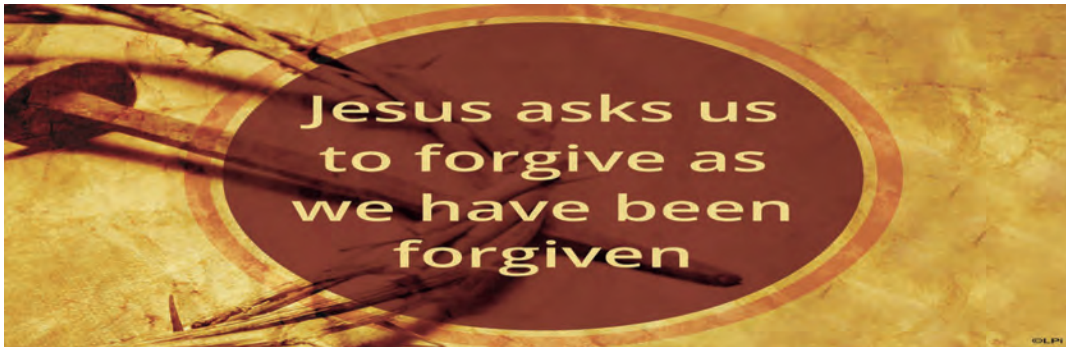




St Peter's Church, Phibsborough

Parish Newsletter

Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time
17 September 2017



A Week of Guided Prayer: 15 - 21 October 2017

As we prepare for the World Meeting of Families we have an exciting opportunity on offer for you. Through the **Office for Evangelisation and Ecumenism** we have a number of Prayer Guides available to us who will facilitate a Week of Guided Prayer in our Parish Grouping.

What is guided prayer?

This is a retreat with a difference – sometimes called a 'Retreat in Daily Life', or a 'Busy Person's Retreat', as you don't have to go away to a quiet, beautiful place to find God. It is a way of making a retreat in the midst of daily living as by taking some quiet time each day on your own, you are enabled to find God in your everyday life, in all its ups and downs.

Participants are invited to do two things every day for the week. Firstly, to spend half an hour in personal prayer at home and secondly, to meet with a prayer guide for half an hour at an agreed time. The prayer guides will accompany you and guide you each day with short texts from the scriptures. You do not need to have any previous knowledge. There is a group session for all participants and prayer guides on the **Sunday** at the beginning of the week and on the **Saturday** at the end of the week.

Who are the prayer guides?

The guides are lay men and women, religious sisters, brothers and priests who are trained and qualified in spiritual guidance and experienced at helping people in their prayer life.

When: It begins on the evening of **Sunday, 15 October 2017**

Where: The initial meeting will take place in the Church at **5.00pm**

On Sunday next, 24 September, there will be speakers at each of our weekend Masses to explain this in greater detail.

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 - Saturday

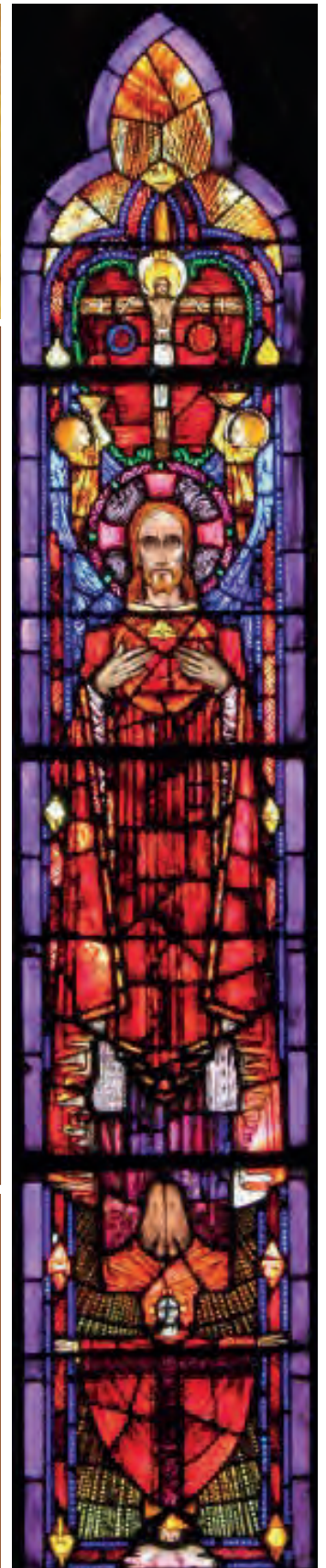
10.30am (& Monday at 7.00pm followed by Novena, except Bank Holidays)

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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The Vincentian Community at St Peter's
cordially invite you to celebrate the
Feast of St Vincent de Paul
Wednesday, 27th September 2017
Mass at 10.30am
Includes a Blessing with St Vincent's Relic
Light Refreshments Available Afterwards

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.

AMM Meeting

The Association of the Miraculous Medal will hold their next monthly meeting on Monday, 18 September in the Church directly after the Novena. There will be a short talk and discussion followed by Adoration of the Most Blessed Sacrament. All are welcome to attend.

A Word on the Word

Held Monday's from 7.30pm in the Conference Room (via Parish Office), the sessions take on a new format - **'An Introduction to the Bible, Understanding the Old Testament'**.

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.

Generous Love

A remarkable story of generosity featured on Joe Duffy's **Liveline: Call Back** programme on RTÉ recently. It was the story of Shane O'Neill, who had a history of drugs offences and ended up serving time in prison in Belgium. On release from prison he went to the Irish Embassy to ask for the price of a flight to return home, but was turned down. Another Irish man, Charlie Kiernan, overheard the exchange and decided to help, booking him a flight and buying him breakfast. When Shane asked how he could repay him, Charlie suggested he 'pay it forward'. The kind gesture was the catalyst for Shane turning his life around.

It is this sort of generous love that we hear about in today's gospel, in the parable told by Jesus. The master who cancels the servant's debt does so out of compassion and generosity. It is of no benefit to him to pardon the debt. He will be down ten thousand talents – one talent was worth more than 15 years' wages of a labourer, so we are talking about a large sum of money! The servant is grateful, but not so grateful that he is willing to take pity on a fellow servant who owes him just one hundred denarii – one denarius was the usual day's wage for a labourer.

The parable speaks to us about the kindness of God, but also what he expects from us. Because we have been loved, we must love. Because we have been forgiven, we must forgive.

Triona Doherty
(taken from **'Intercom'**)

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



Crosscare

Social Support Agency of the Catholic Archdiocese of Dublin

Their Annual Collection for Community & Homeless Services will be taken up at all Masses this weekend. It will replace the normal Share Collection.

St Peter's - Church Boiler

The new church boiler will be installed this week. This is a significant job, however, it should not impose on our daily Masses. We hope to keep any disruption to a minimum and thank you for your patience during this time.

In Loving Memory

Please pray for the repose of the souls of all those who died recently especially James Maughan (brother of Martin Maughan, recently deceased) and Margaret Harmon (Churchview Nursing Home). Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them, may they rest in peace. **Amen.**



Sunday in Ordinary Time

St Robert Bellarmine, bishop & doctor of the Church is not celebrated this year

Readings

Eccles (Sir) 27:30-28:7.

Ps 102:1-4, 9-12, R/ v 8.

Rm 14:7-9.

Mt 18:21-35.

Monday

Mass with Novena Prayers 7.00pm

Legion of Mary 7.00pm

A Word on the Word 7.30pm

AMM Meeting following Novena

Tuesday

St Januarius, bishop & martyr

Wednesday

Ss Andrew Kim Tae-gŏn, priest, Paul Chŏng Ha-sang, & Companions, martyrs

Legion of Mary 7.00pm

Thursday

St Matthew, Apostle & Evangelist

Prayer for Vocations directly after Mass

Saturday

St Pius of Pietrelcina (Padre Pio), priest

St Eunan (Adomnán) abbot

25th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Readings

Is 55:6-9.

Ps 144:2-3, 8-9, 17-18, R/ v 18.

Phil 1:20-24, 27.

Mt 20:1-16.

Church Gate Collections

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

Weekly Collections

Recent collections amounted to:

Church (3 Sept) = €1,241.59

Share (3 Sept) = € 434.23

Repairs (3 Sept) = € 721.14

Church (10 Sept) = €1,397.36

Share (10 Sept) = € 304.18

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