



St Peter's Church, Phibsborough

Parish Newsletter

Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time
12 November 2017



Are You Ready?

'It's a terrible thing, I think in life, to wait until you're ready. I have this feeling now that actually no one is ever ready to do anything. There is almost no such thing as ready. There is only now. And you may as well do it now. Generally speaking, now is as good a time as any.'

Hugh Laurie

I'm not ready – we all think it or say it from time to time. It could be as simple as not being able to find your shoes to leave the house, or a more serious situation like being under-prepared for a work presentation. It can also refer to our emotional state – we might not be ready to talk about an experience, to change a habit, to enter into a relationship, or to let go of a loved one. No one else can tell us if we are ready for a situation or not. It is something only we know. But there is some wisdom in the quote above, in that sometimes we need to push ourselves, to just dive in.

The parable in today's gospel pits two groups in stark contrast – the foolish bridesmaids who failed to prepare, and the sensible ones who were ready with their lamps and oil. Both groups fell asleep on the job, but only one group had laid the groundwork and so were ready for action. Jesus tells us we need to be watchful and ready. As well as having the light of faith, we need the fuel – the actions – to keep it lit so we are ready when the Lord comes.

Tríona 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 - 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.

AMM Meeting

The Association of the Miraculous Medal will hold their next meeting on Monday, 20 November 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.

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'*.

Patrician Meeting

The Legion of Mary will hold a meeting on Tuesday, 21 November in St Peter's Club at 7.30pm. The topic for discussion is 'Faith and Grief'. 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.

Sacrament of the Sick

Our monthly Sacrament of the Sick takes place the third Saturday of every month at 10.30am. We encourage those of you who are ill to join with us if you can.

Walk of Witness

In aid of Asylum Seekers and Refugees takes place on Sunday, 12 November at 2.30pm. Starting from the Parish Centre, Beechpark Avenue, Castleknock to The Papal Cross, Phoenix Park and return to the Parish Centre (5 miles). The film *'The Sea Between Us'* by Caoimhe Butterly will be showing all afternoon. Complimentary tea/coffee will be served. A donation of €5.00 is suggested to help raise funds for the Irish Refugee Council and European Lawyers in Lesbos. Bring your family and friends, work colleagues or your class from school. All are welcome.

Service of Remembrance

The Miscarriage Association of Ireland will hold their Annual Service of Remembrance on Sunday, 12 November at 3.00pm in St Teresa's Church, Donore Avenue, off the South Circular Road, Dublin 8. All parents, siblings, grandparents and others affected by the loss of a baby are very welcome to attend, regardless of whether the loss was recent or long ago. Bus routes serving the South Circular Road are 68A, 122, 150 & 151.

Information Meeting

Anam Cara the organisation that supports bereaved parents, is holding its next monthly Parent Evening on Monday, 13 November from 7.30pm to 9.00pm in the Maldron Hotel, Whitestown Way, Tallaght. This event is open to all bereaved parents regardless of the age your child died, the circumstances of their death, or whether the death was recent or not.

Calling All Harry Clarke Fans

The stained glass windows in St Joseph's Church, Terenure will set the backdrop for Fr Bradley who will launch a book called 'Harry Clarke and his Legacy', by Patricia Curtin-Kelly after the 6.00pm Vigil Mass on Saturday, 18 November. There will be light refreshments and the book will be available for purchase on the night. All invited.

RSA Televised Mass

The Annual Road Safety Authority Televised Mass (in association with RTE & Kairos Productions) will be broadcast live from St Michan's Church in Halston Street on Sunday, 19 November.

Service of Remembrance

The Board, Master and Staff of the Rotunda Hospital invite you to a Service of Remembrance for people who have lost a baby through miscarriage, ectopic pregnancy, stillbirth or neonatal death. People who have been recently bereaved or long ago bereaved are welcome to attend. The Service will be held in the Pro-Cathedral on Sunday, 19 November at 3.00pm. Afterwards light refreshments will be served in the Gresham Hotel. If you have any queries please contact the Hospital Chaplain on 817 1700.

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, Queen 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 Gregory Sharp (St Peter's Avenue). Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them, may they rest in peace. Amen.



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, 12th November at 11.30am

32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Prisoners' Sunday

St Josaphat, bishop & martyr is not celebrated this year

Readings

Wis 6:12-16.

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

1 Th 4:13-18.

Mt 25:1-13.

Monday

Mass with Novena Prayers 7.00pm

Legion of Mary 7.00pm

A Word on the Word 7.30pm

Tuesday

St Laurence O'Toole, bishop

Wednesday

St Albert the Great, bishop & doctor of the Church

Legion of Mary 7.00pm

Thursday

St Margaret of Scotland

St Gertrude, virgin

Prayer for Vocations directly after Mass

Friday

St Elizabeth of Hungary, religious

Saturday

Dedication of the Basilicas of Ss Peter & Paul

Sacrament of the Sick 10.30am

33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Readings

Prov 31:10-13, 19-20, 30-31.

Ps 127:1-5, R/ v 1.

1 Th 5:1-6.

Mt 25:14-30.

Weekly Collections

Recent collections amounted to:

Church (1 Nov) = € 423.20

Share (1 Nov) = € 92.85

Church (5 Nov) = €1,519.34

Share (5 Nov) = € 302.42

Repairs (5 Nov) = € 944.44

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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