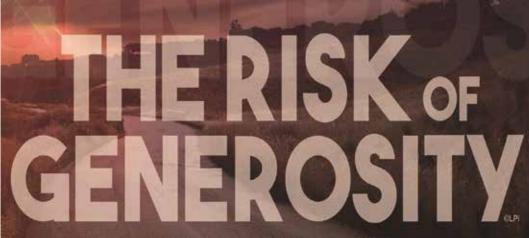


St Peter's Church, Phibsborough Parish Newsletter

> Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time 11 February 2018



Musings

In the parable of the Prodigal Son, the younger son represented the poor who failed to keep the law, and the elder son represented the Pharisees who tried to abide by the law. The younger son felt he was under a curse because he had failed to observe the law. The elder son believed that he had earned his father's favour by being dutiful and observing the law at all times. However, Jesus said that both sons were mistaken. They presumed that the father's (i.e. God's) love was conditional and had to be earned by good behaviour, whereas in actual fact it was a free, unmerited gift. Both sons were invited to the kind of conversion that leads to a change in their thinking about their father and to trust in the offer of his unconditional mercy and love. Whereas the younger son was able to change his image of his father, the elder son seemed to be unable to do so.

> Fr Pat Collins CM Encountering Jesus: New Evangelisation in Practice

Mass Times

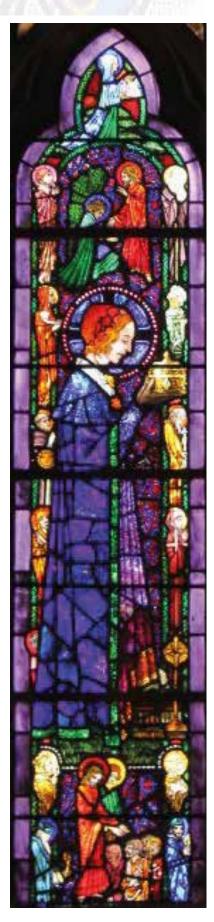
Sunday

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.

AMM Meeting

The Association of the Miraculous Medal will hold their next monthly meeting on Monday, 19 February in the Church directly after the Novena. All are welcome.

A Word on the Word

'Exploring Aspects of the Bible'. Held on Monday's from 7.30pm - 8.30pm in our Conference Room (via the Parish Office).

Patrician Meeting

The Legion of Mary will hold a meeting on Tuesday, 20 February in St Peter's Club at 7.30pm. The topic for discussion is 'Contemplative Prayer'. 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 next monthly Sacrament of the Sick will take place on Saturday, 17 February at the 10.30am Mass. We especially encourage those of you who are ill (not with the flu!) to join with us if you can.

Christmas Dues

Letters of acknowledgement will be sent out at the end of February. Thank you for your continued generosity.

Ash Wednesday

Mass will be celebrated in St Peter's at 10.30am, with the distribution of Ashes taking place during the Mass. Please join us.

Flowers in Lent

There will be no flowers on display in the Church during the Lenten season (ex. St Patrick's Day), either on the Sanctuary or at the Shrines. As you are aware, the cost of cut flowers is extremely expensive. We would be very grateful therefore to receive any donations towards the cost of flowers for Easter. Thank you.

Phibsboro' Aid

Founded in 1972, *Phibsboro' Aid* provides sheltered accommodation for the senior citizens of Phibsborough and its environs. It is a wholly voluntary organisation. After 46 years, time has taken its toll on the early members of the committee and it now needs active personnel to ensure its continuance into the future. We urgently appeal for volunteers to join the committee and participate in the administration of the houses and the welfare of the residents. Anyone interested can contact the committee via the parish office at 838 9708, Monday to Friday from 9.30am to 12.30pm or email: info@stpetersphibsboro.ie.

Cabra Library

Liam Whelan and the Munich Air Disaster - 60 years on' with Donal Fallon (Historian-in-Residence, DCC North West Area). Talk takes place in Cabra Library on Tuesday, 13 February at 6.30pm.

60 years have passed since the Munich Air Disaster of 1958, which claimed the lives of many of Manchester United's famous Busby Babes. Among the dead was Cabra native Liam Whelan, who appeared for the United side that lined up against Shamrock Rovers in Dalymount Park and who had previously played for Home Farm in Dublin. Donal Fallon will look at the career of Liam Whelan and the rise of the 'Busby Babes'. The event is free. Booking is essential. For more details or to book your place tel: 869 1414 or email: <u>cabralibrary@dublincity.ie</u>.

'The ups and downs of being a Disciple today' ...making sense of the Transfiguration...

Saturday, 24 February from 1.30pm - 4.30pm in The Deaf Village. Prayer, Presentation, Input, Chat, Refreshments, Liturgy. Hosted by Fr John Joe and Kevin Mullally (Pastoral Worker). All welcome! Please confirm by ringing Kevin on 086 602 3450.

Legion of Mary

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

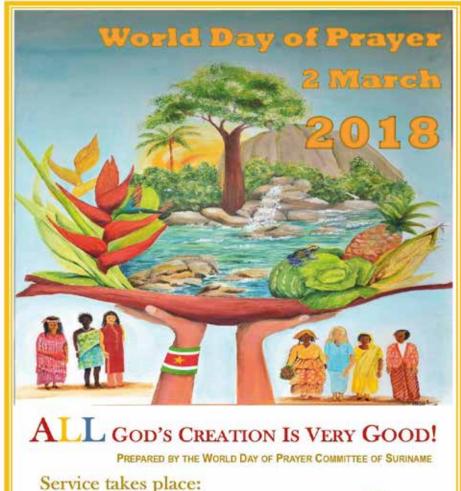
Monday Our Lady, Queen of All Nations

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 Niall Hannon (formerly of Phibsborough, brother of Jimmy) & Reg Cousier (formerly of Avondale Road). Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them, may they rest in peace. **Amen.**



Date: Friday, 2 March 2018

Time: 11.15am



Venue: St Peter's Church, Phibsborough

Annual Collection for ACCORD

The Annual Collection for ACCORD the Diocesan Agency for Marriage and the Family, will be taken up at all Masses on the weekend of 17th & 18th February 2018. The Collection for ACCORD will replace the usual Share Collection.

ACCORD Dublin throughout the diocese offers:

- Marriage Preparation Courses
- Counselling for couples and individuals experiencing difficulties in their relationships
- A Relationship and Sexuality Programme for Schools

ACCORD Dublin needs your support: Please give as generously as you can on Saturday 17th & Sunday 18th February.



6th Sunday in Ordinary Time World Day of the Sick Day of Prayer for Temperance Our Lady of Lourdes & St Gobnait, virgin are not celebrated this

Readings Lev 13:1-2, 44-46. Ps 31:1-2, 5, 11, R/ v 7. 1 Cor 10:31-11:1. Mk 1:40-45.

Monday Mass with Novena Prayers 7.00pm Legion of Mary 7.00pm A Word on the Word 7.30pm

Ash Wednesday

Day of Fast & Abstinence Ss Cyril, monk & Methodius, bishop (Patron Saints of Europe) is not celebrated this year Legion of Mary 7.00pm

Thursday Prayer for Vocations directly after Mass

Friday Worldwide Day of Prayer for Survivors and Victims of Sexual Abuse

Saturday St Fintan, abbot Seven Holy Founders of the Servite Order

1st Sunday of Lent

Readings Gen 9:8-15. Ps 24:4-9, R/ cf. v 10. 1 Pet 3:18-22. Mk 1:12-15.

Weekly Collections

Recent collections amounted to:Church (4 Feb)= $\in 1,202.40$ Share (4 Feb)= $\in 393.87$ Repairs (4 Feb)= $\in 905.00$ Thank you very much for your continuedsupport.

Church Gate Collections

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

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