

St Peter's Church, Phibsborough Parish Newsletter

Ascension of the Lord 13 May 2018



Forgotten Feast

Sandwiched between Easter and Pentecost, the feast of the Ascension can sometimes tend to be overlooked. It can be hard to make sense of the artistic images we see of Jesus disappearing into the clouds as the disciples stand stare after him. But the Ascension does more than simply mark the culmination of Jesus' earthly life; it opens up for us a path to God. Where Jesus has gone, we hope one day to follow.

As pope Francis puts it, 'the Ascension does not point to Jesus' absence, but tells us that he is alive in our midst in a new way. He is no longer in a specific place in the world as he was before the Ascension. He is now... present in every space and time, close to each of us. We are never alone; the Crucified and Risen Lord guides us.'

It is this very presence of Jesus that gave the disciples, and gives us, the strength for mission. Immediately before he is taken into heaven, Jesus issues his final and most important instruction; 'Go out to the whole world; proclaim the good news to all creation.' And after he goes, the disciples straight away set about the task. Far from being suddenly absent, we are told the Lord is now working with them in a new way. The Ascension is less a loss than a transition, a promise that Jesus will always be with us.

Triona Doherty

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

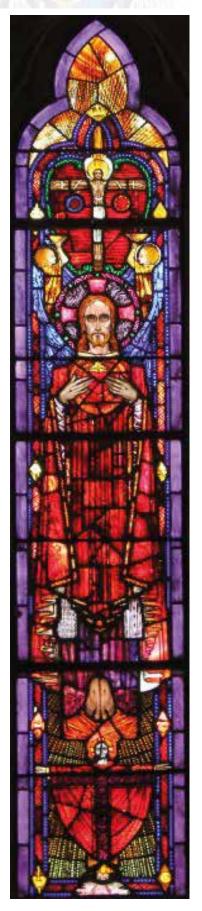
10.30am (& Monday at 7.00pm followed by Novena, except Bank Holidays)

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.

Legion of Mary

Our Lady of All Nations takes place on Monday's in the Frank Duff Room from 7.00pm (entrance via Parish Office).

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 this Saturday,19 May 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.

AMM Meeting

The Association of the Miraculous Medal will hold their next monthly meeting on Monday, 21 May in the Church directly after the Novena. All are most welcome.

Patrician Meeting

The Legion of Mary will hold their monthly meeting on Tuesday, 22 May in the Frank Duff Room (via the Parish Office) at 7.30pm. The topic for discussion is 'Peace'. All are welcome.

First Holy Communion

Sunday, 13 May at 11.30am





Please remember in your prayers the children from St Peter's National School who will make their First Holy Communion here this Sunday, 13 May at the 11.30am Mass.

Thank you to their teachers for all their hard work in preparing the children for this special day.

We wish them, their parents, families and teachers God's blessing for this very special celebration.

Please note there will be allocated seating for the Communicants and their families. We expect a very large attendance.

House Visits

Do you know of any parishioners who are ill at the moment? Would they like one of our priests to visit them? If so, contact the parish office with details.

St Peter's Newsletters (& other publications)!!!

It has been brought to our attention, again that some people within the parish and surrounding areas have been receiving our weekly newsletters, among other publications, in the post. We would like to clarify that this has not been instigated by us here at St Peter's. We invite you all to take a copy of our newsletter away with you to read in the comfort of your own homes, but we would ask you not to forward them to others in the area, either by hand or by post, unless you have been specifically asked to do so by individuals themselves. We thank you for your understanding in this matter.

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 Fr Peter Slevin, CM (St Vincent's Castleknock College) and Frances Kampff. Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them, may they rest in peace. **Amen.**



"The Joy of Love" - St. Brendan's Parish, Coolock

In preparation for the World Meeting of Families this August, St. Brendan's Parish invites you to a series of conversations on our Christian response to Pope Francis' writings on "The Joy of Love". Wednesdays 16th, 23rd and 30th May at 7.30pm each evening in St. Brendan's Parish Centre, Coolock Village, Dublin.

Fall Prevention Exercise Class Information Meeting

Date and Time: 17th May at 3pm Venue: St Peter's Club

Physical Therapist run exercise class targeting prevention of falls in older adults. These classes work on strength, balance, flexibility and stamina.

Come along to the infomation meeting to have any questions answered and meet the Therapist. If sufficient interest, the classes will start on the 24th May and run for 6 weeks. Contact: Natalie Kilroy, Physical Therapist MIAPT at 087 2449554 or the parish office 01 838 9708.

The Humanitarian Symphony Orchestra (HSO)

will perform in concert at Our Lady of Dolours Church, Botanic Ave, Drumcondra, Dublin 9, Friday 1st June @ 8pm. The concert promises to be a wonderful evening of modern and classical music.



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Family Prayer

Choose Life: Prayer for the Child in the Womb, Irish Catholic Bishops' Conference 2012

Lord Jesus, you are the source and lover of life
Reawaken in us respect for every human life
Help us to see in each child the marvellous
work of our Creator
Open our hearts to welcome every child
as a unique and wonderful gift from God.
Amen.

The Ascension of the Lord

Our Lady of Fatima is not celebrated this year Readings

Acts 1:1-11.

Ps 46; 2-3. 6-7. 8-9.

Eph 4, 1-13 or Eph 4, 1-7, 11-13.

Mk 16, 15-20.

Monday

St Matthias, Apostle

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

Wednesday

Legion of Mary 7.00pm

Thursday

Prayer for Vocations directly after Mass

Friday

St John I, Pope & Martyr

Pentecost Sunday

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

Readings

Acts 2:1-11.

Ps 103:1, 24, 29-31, 34.

Gal 5:16-25

Jn 15, 26-27;16, 12-15.

Weekly Collections

Recent collections amounted to:

Church (6 May) = €1,099.98 Share (6 May) = € 386.19 Repairs (6 May) = € 421.58

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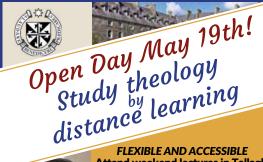
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