

St Peter's Church, Phibsborough Parish Newsletter

The Most Holy Trinity 27 May 2018



The Fullness of Love

They say that "Two is company, three is a crowd" but today's feast would have it otherwise. There, the figure three symbolises completeness and perfect symmetry, and re-appears at all the key moments of the Christ story, for the life of Jesus constantly reflected the Trinity of God. The Holy Trinity, the mystery we celebrate today, is beyond the reach of time and the grasp of human reasoning.

Three figures make up the nativity scene in Bethlehem—the Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph. Their first visitors were the three wise men. Later, in the desert preparing to begin his public life, Jesus was tempted three times by the devil. A good story should have a beginning, a middle and an end. Christ was a storyteller par excellence and three figures prominently in his parables. The Prodigal Son is about a father and his two sons; the Good Samaritan tells of the behaviour of three passers-by, the priest, the Levite and the Samaritan; the sower sowed his seed in three different types of terrain, yielding three different levels of harvest. The end of his life, as the beginning, has again the three motif. During his Passion, Peter denied him thrice. On the road to Calvary, he fell three times. The crucifixion scene has three figures, Christ between two thieves. Before his resurrection, he spent three days in the tomb.

God is love. There are Three Persons in the Trinity, the Father the Son and the Holy Spirit. Together they represent the fullness of love. The Father loves the Son, the Son loves the Father. The Holy Spirit is their love for each other. We are made in the image of a triune God. God the Father, who created us, his Son who saved us, and the Holy Spirit who continues to guide us. Our lives should reflect the Trinity. We should be always creative like the Father, compassionate like his Son, and dispose our talents in the service of others like the Holy Spirit.

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.

A Word on the Word

Held on Monday's from 7.30pm - 8.30pm in in our Conference Room (via Parish Office) the sessions will focus on the readings for the following Sunday.

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. The next one is 1 June.

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. The next one is 2 June.

Summer Sunday Mass Schedule

For the Summer months commencing on 3 June (*June, July and August*) there will be no 6.30pm Sunday evening Mass. We will resume the normal Sunday Schedule on 2 September. We apologise for any inconvenience that this may cause and thank you for your continued understanding.

Blessing of Remembrance

Glasnevin Cemetery at the Old Angels Memory Garden only. This Sunday, 27 May at 3.00pm. A Little Lifetime Foundation – Support Group for Bereaved Parents and Families at: www.alittlelifetime.ie.

Fall Prevention Exercise Classes

Looking for participants to start exercise classes asap. Physical Therapist led, working on balance, strength, fitness and flexibility. Venue: St Peter's Club, Cabra Road. If interested please contact Natalie Kilroy at 087 244 9554 for more information.

Praying at Home

In connection with this year's World Meeting of Families we encourage every family to pray at home together with their children. The first thing to do is become really quiet in yourself and bless yourself: Remember, praying is about talking to Jesus. You take time to talk to Jesus just like you take time to talk to a friend. You can pray using the words of prayers you have learned or you can pray speaking to Jesus about your day or your week and asking Jesus to look after you and your family and friends.

Radio Link

We understand there are still some parishioners on our waiting list for the Parish Radio. As you know our previous supplier let us down but we have since found a new supplier and put in an order on 2 May. Unfortunately they have no radios in stock at present but we will contact all the names on the waiting list when they arrive. Apologies for this long delay but it's out of our control.

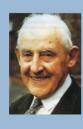
New Pilgrim Path Website of the Week

The Jesuits in Britain have devised seven mental health audio exercises designed to encourage, in God's presence, prayerful awareness of any feelings of unease or distress. These short exercises last no more than eight minutes. We hope you will find them helpful and we pray for anyone using these sessions who might be struggling at the moment. To access these, and other rich online spiritual resources, visit: www.NewPilgrimPath.ie.

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



Family Prayer

Let us pray for doctors, nurses and midwives: that they will equally cherish and respect the life of a mother, and her baby in the womb.

Amen.

In Loving Memory

Please pray for the repose of the souls of all those who died recently especially Pat Bagge (son of the late Mary Bagge, recently deceased). Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them, may they rest in peace. **Amen.**





Thank You

The Missionary Sisters of the Holy Rosary wish to thank all those who contributed to their recent Church Gate collection which amounted to €985. You will be remembered by the community in their daily prayers.

Dardistown Cemetery

Are holding their annual Remembrance Mass on Sunday, 1 July at 3.00pm. All are welcome to attend.

The Most Holy Trinity

St Augustine of Canterbury, bishop, is not celebrated this year

Readings

Deut 4:32-34, 39-40.

Ps 32:4-6, 9, 18-20, R/ v 12.

Rm 8:14-17.

Mt 28:16-20.

Monday

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

Wednesday

BI. Martha Wiecka, virgin (Vincentian) Legion of Mary 7.00pm

Thursday

The Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary
Prayer for Vocations directly after Mass

Friday

St Justin, martyr

Sacred Heart Confraternity 10.30am

Saturday

Ss Marcellinus & Peter, martyrs
Children of Mary Sodality 10.30am

Most Holy Body & Blood of Christ

(Corpus Christi)

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

Readings

Ex 24:3-8.

Ps 115:12-13, 15-18, R/ v 13.

Heb 9:11-15.

Mk 14:12-16, 22:26.

Weekly Collections

Recent collections amounted to:

Church (20 May) = €1,135.88 Share (20 May) = € 400.74 SVP (13 May) = € 665.29

Thank you very much for your continued support.

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.

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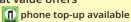
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