



St Peter's Church, Phibsborough Parish Newsletter

Fifth Sunday of Easter
29 April 2018



Stay Connected

As with all good vine growers, God cares for his crop, nurturing it, pruning it, giving it all it needs so that it can grow and reach its full potential. We are no doubt the branches. What does it mean to be a branch? Branches must be connected to the vine or they bear no fruit. Even those branches that do bear fruit need pruning so that they can grow and bear even more fruit. As we are all too well aware, productivity seems to be the measure of success in the world today, in our education system, in the workplace, in economics; we are measured by what we produce. It Jesus really adding to the pressure by telling us that he wants to see results or else?!

Perhaps we can read this passage in the terms of connectivity. Think of your most intimate friendships and relationships. You don't measure their weight in terms of productivity, do you? But you do want to stay connected right? It is the closeness, that intimacy that Jesus calls us to: 'abide in me'. Are you connected or disconnected? If the connection is strong, then fruit-bearing comes naturally and people will see the gospel in our lives and in the way we respond to the world. If we are connected, all manner of things are possible for us.

'People see the gospel in our lives; let them read our lives'.

Pope Francis

Jane Mellett

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

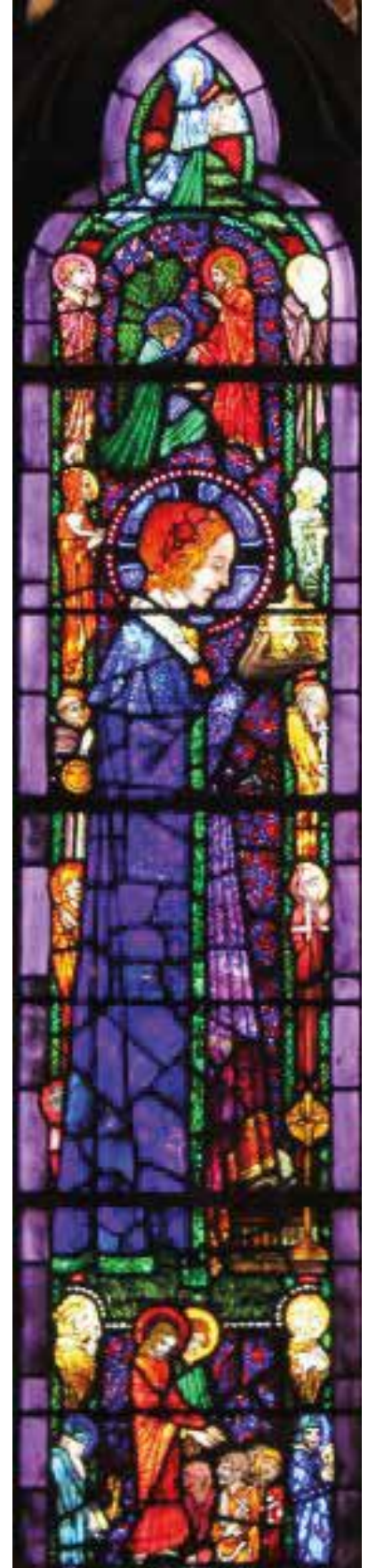
10.30am (& Monday at 7.00pm followed by Novena, except Bank Holidays)

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

The Miraculous Medal Novena continues each Monday evening at 7.00pm. All are encouraged to attend.

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).

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 on Friday, 4 May.

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 on Saturday, 5 May.

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



Celebrating Baptism

We welcome into the Catholic Church babies Ben Lindsay, Isla Williams and Divine Kambou who were baptised here in St Peter's last weekend.

We wish them every blessing as they take their first steps as new members of the Christian family.

Darkness into Light - 12 May

Darkness Into Light (DIL) is Pieta House's flagship annual fundraising and awareness event. It started with approximately 400 people in the now iconic yellow DIL T-shirts walking the 5km course in Dublin's Phoenix Park in 2009. This year, there will be roughly 180 DIL venues across Ireland and worldwide. Last year 180,000 people shared the light and helped promote suicide prevention and to tackle the stigma that leads people to the doors of Pieta House centres. **Please join Pieta this year! Register at www.dil.pieta.ie**

New Pilgrim Path Website of the Week

Are you going through something difficult at the moment? Perhaps you just can't seem to find God in the day to day. 'Where I found God **today**', is an online resource that encourages the Ignatian practice of finding 'God in all things'. It is a great way to discover where other people have found God, and a place to share your own experience. Access this, and other rich online spiritual resources, on www.NewPilgrimPath.ie

Bereavement Counselling

Tuesday and Wednesday evenings. For appointments and information contact the Bereavement Counselling Service, Baldoyle, Dublin 13. Tel: 839 1766, Monday - Friday from 9.00am - 1.00pm. For further information please email: bereavement@eircom.net.

Signed Mass Cards Online

You can obtain a Signed Mass Card from St Peter's, online. 100% of all offerings received go directly to us here at St Peter's Church. All cards are signed by one of our priests. You can select from a range of Irish made cards which we will organise and send to you or the recipient of your choice. All you have to do is go to our **LOG ON TO:** www.stpetersphibsboro.ie and click on the relevant image on our Home Page.

Prayers for Life

Scripture for Reflection

Jeremiah 1:4-8

*The word of the Lord came to me saying,
"Before I formed you in the womb I knew you,
and before you were born I consecrated you;"*

In Loving Memory

Please pray for the repose of the souls of all those who died recently especially Valerie Ryan (late of Rathown Road) Sean Hanley (formerly of Shandon Park). Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them, may they rest in peace. Amen.



WORLD MEETING OF FAMILIES & PAPAL VISIT Dublin, 21 - 26 August 2018

THREE WAYS TO GET INVOLVED:

1) Attend the Event

All are welcome to this festival of faith. Everyone is part of a family, in the wider sense, so there are events for people from all backgrounds and of all ages. Attendance will, however, require tickets/registration. Some events will be free; others will require a small fee. Registration is currently open online and by phone, see contact details below.

2) Volunteer at the Event

The World Meeting of the Families 2018 will attract thousands of Irish and International pilgrims. Organising it and ensuring its success will only be possible with the help of generous volunteers who will put their love and talents to service. We are seeking people with all kinds of skills – e.g. hospitality, administration, languages – to join the team before and during the event.

3) Host Some Pilgrims

Thousands of people will be travelling from very distant places to participate in World Meeting of Families 2018. Many would be unable to come if they also had to cover the cost of accommodation.

Do you have a spare room? Would you be willing to host a person, a couple or a family next August? Help us welcome visiting families to Ireland and have a home-from-home experience. Phibsborough is also an ideal location!

For information on attending, volunteering or hosting pilgrims please visit www.worldmeeting2018.ie, email info@worldmeeting2018.ie, call [+353 1 567 6800](tel:+35315676800) or visit our offices at Holy Cross Diocesan Centre, Drumcondra.

Prayers for Life

*Let us pray for our community:
that we will open our hearts to welcome every child
as a unique and wonderful gift.*

5th Sunday of Easter

St Catherine of Siena, virgin & doctor of the Church is not celebrated this year

Readings

Acts 9:26-31.

Ps 21:26-28, 30-32, R/ v 26.

1 Jn 3:18-24.

Jn 15:1-8.

Monday

St Pius V, Pope

Mass with Novena Prayers 7.00pm

Legion of Mary 7.00pm

A Word on the Word 7.30pm

Tuesday

St Joseph The Worker

Wednesday

St Athanasius, Bishop & Doctor

Legion of Mary 7.00pm

Thursday

SS Philip & James, Apostles

Prayer for Vocations directly after Mass

First Friday

6th Sunday of Easter

Readings

Acts 10:25-30. 34-35. 44-48.

Ps 97, 1.2-3ab. 3.cd-4.

1 Jn 4:7-10

Jn 15:9-17

Weekly Collections

Recent collections amounted to:

Church (22 Apr) = € 912.53

Vocations (22Apr) = € 531.31

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Church Gate Collections

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Next week's will be in aid of essential Church repairs.

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