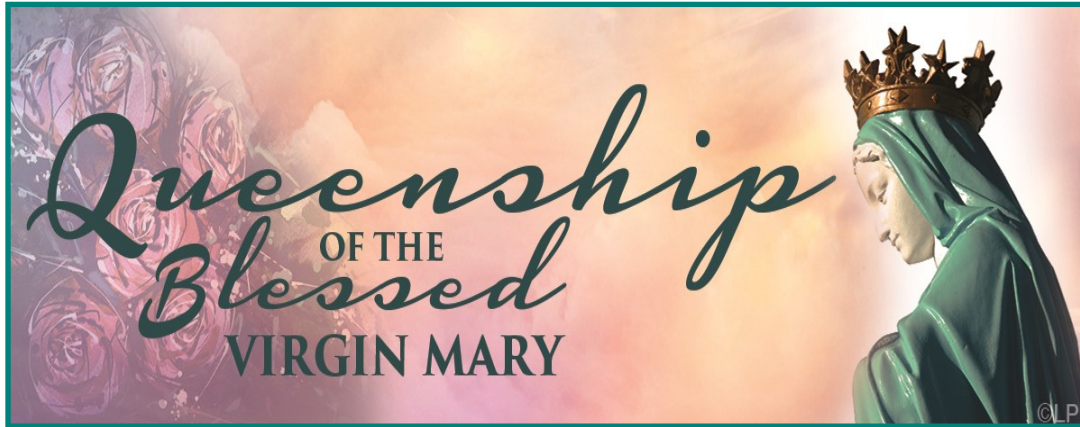




St Peter's Church, Phibsborough

Parish Newsletter

Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time
19 August 2018



On the Breadline

In recent months the Society of St Vincent de Paul released some shocking figures regarding hunger in Ireland. One in three people who contact the charity are calling because they can't afford to buy food. It is estimated that one in eleven people in Ireland experience food poverty, which refers to the inability to afford food to make up a healthy diet.

"Food is an area of expenditure that families have discretion over on a day-to-day basis," said SVP head of social justice, Dr Tricia Keilthy. "It is much easier to control the cost of food than the cost of rent, utilities or education. So food is typically what families cut back on when times are tough."

Hunger is a sad fact of life for many in our country. More than ever we appreciate the value of having enough to eat. Over the past few Sundays we have heard Jesus speak a lot about bread and food. His followers experience physical hunger too; the feeding of the five thousand (the story precedes today's extract from John's Gospel) shows that Jesus takes care of the physical needs of his followers too. Their experience of hunger and being fed prepares them for his teaching on the bread of life.

When Jesus talks about himself as the 'bread come down from heaven', it is clear that it is himself he is offering – his very flesh. If we are followers of Jesus, we are also called to give ourselves in service of others. We have Jesus as our model and teacher, present with us and in us. What can we do to help those who hunger in our country and our world?

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)

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 next meeting of the Association of our Lady of the Miraculous Medal at St Peter's, will take place on Monday, 20 August in the Church directly after the Novena.

7.40pm - 8.00pm Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament in the Church (open to all).

Active members meet in the Presbytery.

Fr Eamon Flanagan CM

Guide, St Peter's Group

Join us as we Pray for Vocations

On Thursday's after the 10.30am 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.

Fall Prevention Exercise Classes

Will take a break on 23 and 30 August. It will resume on Thursday, 6 September at 3.00pm.

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

Invitation to the Celebration of the World Meeting of Families 2018

You are invited on behalf of the African Chaplaincy and St Peter's, to our celebration of the World Meeting of Families 2018 where we welcome and host the delegates coming from Africa

Celebration of Mass at 7.30pm

Friday, 24 August in St Peter's Church

His Excellency, Archbishop Jude Thaddeus Okolo, Apostolic Nuncio to Ireland, will be the Chief Celebrant

We will be delighted to have you in attendance with us on this special day as we welcome our brothers and sisters from the African Continent

Refreshments will follow immediately after Mass in the Garden

'I would like to ask you all a question today. But each of you keep it in your heart and take it home. You can regard it as a kind of 'homework'. Only you must answer. How are things when it comes to joy at home? Is there joy in your family?'

'Dear families, you know very well that the true joy which we experience in the family is not superficial; it does not come from material objects, from the fact that everything seems to be going well... True joy comes from a profound harmony between persons, something which we all feel in our hearts and which makes us experience the beauty of togetherness, of mutual support along life's journey. But the basis of this feeling of deep joy is the presence of God, the presence of God in the family and his love, which is welcoming, merciful, and respectful towards all. And above all, a love which is patient: patience is a virtue of God and he teaches us how to cultivate it in family life, how to be patient, and lovingly so, with each other. To be patient among ourselves. A patient love. God alone knows how to create harmony from differences. But if God's love is lacking, the family loses its harmony, self-centredness prevails and joy fades. But the family which experiences the joy of faith communicates it naturally. That family is the salt of the earth and the light of the world, it is the leaven of society as a whole.'

'Dear families, always live in faith and simplicity, like the Holy Family of Nazareth! The joy and peace of the Lord be always with you!'
Pope Francis (*homily at Mass in St Peter's Square, 27 October 2013*)

World Meeting Of Families 2018

Papal Mass, Phoenix Park

3.00pm on Sunday, 26 August



PRE-BOOKED TICKETS FOR THE BUS & FOR PEOPLE MAKING THEIR OWN WAY ARE NOW AVAILABLE FOR COLLECTION FROM THE PARISH OFFICE

All adults & children need a ticket, under 18's **must** be accompanied by an adult. All tickets are for standing sections, you may bring a '**Pope Stool**' with you.

Relics of Ss Louis & Zélie Martin & St Thérèse

The relics of Saints Louis and Zélie Martin and their youngest daughter, Saint Thérèse have come from Lisieux to Ireland to coincide with the World Meeting of Families 2018

The Relics will be at the WMOF2018

Opening Ceremony in the RDS on Tuesday, 21 August and in the sanctuary in the Phoenix Park for the Papal Mass on Sunday, 26 August

The Relics will visit a number of parishes across Ireland between August 4 & September 9

The nearest venues to St Peter's are:

St Joseph's, Berkeley Rd: Sunday, 26 at 5.30pm - Monday, 27 at 2.30pm

Holy Family, Aughrim St: Monday, 27 at 3.00pm - Tuesday, 28 at 9.30am

For a comprehensive list of the Dublin and countrywide venues go to:

www.worldmeeting2018.ie/WMOF/media/downloads/Relics-Itinerary.pdf

St Peter's Parish Vincentian Pilgrimage to Knock

Saturday, 8 September 2018

Cost: €50 per person

(includes coach, morning coffee & evening meal)



Bookings at the Parish Office Monday to Friday

10.00am - 12.00pm

Tel: (01) 838 9708

Bookings commence on Monday 30 July

**Coach leaves St Peter's at 7.45am sharp and
returns to St Peter's at approx. 10.00pm**

20th Sunday in Ordinary Time

St John Eudes, priest is not celebrated this year

Readings

Prov 9:1-6.

Ps 33:2-3, 10-15, R/ v 9.

Eph 5:15-20.

Jn 6:51-58.

Monday

St Bernard, abbot & doctor of the Church

Mass with Novena Prayers 7.00pm

followed by AMM Meeting

Legion of Mary 7.00pm

Tuesday

St Pius X, pope

Wednesday

The Queenship of Mary

Legion of Mary 7.00pm

Thursday

St Rose of Lima, virgin

St Eugene, bishop

Prayer for Vocations directly after Mass

Friday

St Bartholomew, Apostle

Saturday

St Louis of France

St Joseph Calasanz, priest

21st Sunday in Ordinary Time

Readings

Jos 24:1-2, 15-18.

Ps 33:2-3, 16-23, R/ v 9.

Eph 5:21-32.

Jn 6:60-69.

Weekly Collections

Recent collections amounted to:

Church (12 Aug) = €1,076.98

Share (12 Aug) = € 326.22

SVP (12 Aug) = € 761.22

Church (15 Aug) = € 388.18

Thank you very much for your continued support.

Church Gate Collections

Next 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.



KIDDIE'S CORNER

