

Hymns in February 2019

1 ALL ARE WELCOME

Let us build a house where love can dwell
And all can safely live
A place where saints and children tell
How hearts learn to forgive

Built of hopes and dreams and visions
Rock of faith and vault of grace
Here the love of Christ shall end divisions

Let us build a house where prophets speak
And words are strong and true
Where all God's children dare to seek
To dream God's reign anew

Here the cross shall stand as witness
And a symbol of God's grace
Here as one we claim the faith of Jesus

Let us build a house where love is found
In water, wine and wheat
A banquet hall on holy ground
Where peace and justice meet

Here the love of God, through Jesus
Is revealed in time and space
As we share in Christ the feast that frees us

All are welcome, all are welcome
All are welcome in this place

2 GOD OF DAY AND GOD OF DARKNESS

Now we stand before the night
As the shadows stretch and deepen
Come and make our darkness bright
All creation still is groaning
For the dawning of your might
When the Son of peace and justice
Fills the earth with radiant light

Still the nations curse the darkness
Still the rich oppress the poor
Still the earth is bruised and broken
By the ones who still want more
Come and wake us from our sleeping
So our hearts cannot ignore
All your people lost and broken
All your children at our door

Show us Christ in one another
Make us servants strong and true
Give us all your love of justice
So we do what you would do
Let us call all people holy
Let us pledge our lives anew
Make us one with all the lowly
Let us all be one in you

3 UBI CARITAS est vera est vera
Deus ibi est, Deus ibi est

The love of Christ
Joins us together
Let us rejoice in Him
And in our love and care for all
Now love God in return

St Peter's Church Phibsborough

In true communion let us gather
May all divisions cease
And in their place be
Christ the Lord
Our risen prince of peace

May we who gather at this table
To share the bread of life
Become a sacrament of love
Your healing touch O Christ

4 BE STILL FOR THE PRESENCE OF THE LORD

The Holy One is here
Come bow before Him now
With reverence and fear
In Him no sin is found
We stand on holy ground
Be still for the presence of the Lord
The Holy One is here

Be still for the glory of the Lord
Is shining all around
He burns with holy fire
With splendour He is crowned
How awesome is the sight
Our radiant King of light
Be still for the glory of the Lord
Is shining all around

Be still for the power of the Lord
Is moving in this place
He comes to cleanse and heal
To minister His grace
No work too hard for Him
In faith receive from Him
Be still for the power of the Lord

5 NOW THANK WE ALL OUR GOD

With heart and hands and voices
Who wondrous things has done
In whom this world rejoices
Who from our mothers' arms
Has blessed us on our way
With countless gifts of love
And still is ours today

O may this bounteous God
Through all our life be near us
With ever joyful hearts
And blessed peace to cheer us
And keep us in His grace
And guide us when perplexed
And free us from all ills
In this world and the next!

All praise and thanks to God
The Father now be given
The Son and Him who reigns
With them in highest Heaven
The one eternal God
Whom earth and Heaven adore
For thus it was, is now
And shall be evermore



St Peter's Church, Phibsborough Parish Newsletter

Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time
3 February 2019

THE PRESENTATION OF THE LORD

A Reflection on the Feast of the Presentation

The chapel of the Irish College contains a mural of Joseph standing alone with two turtle doves, an evocation of him at the presentation in the temple. The solitary Joseph made me think of him as I have never done before. The Joseph on the chapel is not the pater familias of a mature “Holy Family” of Nazareth, a partner with Mary, raising a healthy, if unusual, Son. Instead our mural is the “new father” Joseph, adjusting to a life not of his making. He is unwilling/unable to share his emotions with his betrothed who is growing into her role as Mother with every step they take. His excuse perhaps might have been a desire to protect her from his anxieties about the future. A deeper honesty might have been that he also felt too sheepish to share his jealousy. He was being ridiculous, he knew that, but it might shatter a frail ego were his wife to put voice to that assessment. Instead he, like many a new father before and since must stumble haltingly into his role while watching his betrothed seemingly to blossom naturally into hers.

And yet Joseph is not alone. In the chapel, beside him there is the **angel**-messenger of divine protection, repeatedly whispering the plan of God to this man of integrity. Nearby is **Mary**, maturing rapidly into the strong, aware mother of an extraordinary son, whose heart, even when pierced by a sword, is never broken. Not far away is the **child** now grown, shedding blood on the Cross for love greater than that of any natural born son. Joseph is not alone.

Draw close to these three, dear anxious, unsure, good Joseph. In obeying God's messenger you will become certain, in leaning on Mary's strength, you will become strong, in knowing, really knowing the love being directed to you by the Child born in a stable, you will become whole, you will become empowered, you will become SAINT.

Fr Joseph Loftus CM

(full version of article available at: www.stpetersphibsboro.ie/category/noticeboard/articles/)

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 (Syro Malabar Mass, 2nd & 4th Sunday of each month)

Monday - Saturday

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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Legion of Mary
7.00pm Monday

Miraculous Medal Novena
7.30pm Monday

Exploring Catechism
7.30pm Monday - St Peter's Club

Association of the Miraculous Medal
8.00pm Monthly - 3rd Monday

Patrician Meeting (Legion of Mary)
7.30pm Monthly - 3rd Tuesday
Frank Duff Room (via Parish Office)

Legion of Mary
7.00pm Wednesday
Frank Duff Room (via Parish Office)

Prayer for Vocations
11.00am Thursday - Prayer before the Blessed Sacrament for vocations to the Vincentian Community in Ireland

Sacred Heart Confraternity
10.30am Mass and devotions on the First Friday of every month

Children of Mary Sodality
10.30am Mass on the Saturday after the First Friday of every month

Sacrament of the Sick
10.30am Monthly - 3rd Saturday

Parish Office
The parish office is getting a 'facelift' this week. As a result, it will move across the corridor to the Conference Room on Tuesday till Friday from 9.30am to 12.30pm. Entrance to the office will be from the Church (corridor beside Sacristy). We will be closed on Monday in preparation.

Thank You
We would like to thank you most sincerely for your Christmas Dues. Letters of acknowledge will be sent out during the month of February.

Weekly Envelope Boxes
There are still 2019 weekly envelopes available. If you haven't picked yours up yet or are new to the parish and would like to obtain one, contact the Parish Office.

World Day of the Sick 2019...
... takes place on 9 February in All Hallows, Drumcondra (9.30am to 1.00pm) on the topic 'Community struggle with addiction - A Pastoral response'. Mass for World Day of the Sick will be held on 10 February in Corpus Christi at 3.00pm.

28th Divine Mercy Conference
The Divine Mercy Conference Committee wish to invite you to their annual conference on Saturday 23rd & Sunday 24th February in the RDS, Ballsbridge. On Friday night, 22nd February, we are continuing our very successful addition to the programme which includes Holy Mass, Adoration and Confessions and which is aimed specially for our young people. This year's theme is: '**Let Us Not Be Put to the Test**'. Full schedule available from: www.dublindiocese.ie/noticeboard.

Emmanuel 2019 at the Helix
70 Second Level Schools from across the Archdiocese will participate in the renowned Emmanuel concert series this year, where hundreds of teenagers take part in a live concert in the Helix over four nights, Monday 25, Tuesday 26, Wednesday 27 and Thursday 28 February at 7.30pm each evening. Come along as a choir / music group to listen to young people praising God with energy in this unique event. A full list of participating schools is available from: www.litmus@dublindiocese.ie.

Women's World Day of Prayer at St Peter's
Preparatory meetings take place on Tuesday 12, 19 and 26 February in St Peters Church at 7.30pm with Discussion and Bible Reflection. All are welcome.



Women's World Day of Prayer

'Come - Everything is Ready!'
(written by the women of Slovenia)

at 7.30pm
on **Friday, 1 March 2019**
in **All Saint's Church**
(Phibsborough Road, beside the Fire Station)

Refreshments afterwards. All are welcome

In Loving Memory
Please pray for the repose of the souls of all those who died recently especially Fr Tom Davitt CM (St Paul's, Raheny, formerly based here in St Peter's) and Joseph Taaffe (Cabra Park). Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them, may they rest in peace. Amen.

Vacancy for National Leader
Scripture Union Ireland is seeking to recruit a National Leader: Do you have the Calling of God and a heart to reach the Irish young people with the life-changing message of Jesus Christ. The necessary leadership and management experience to inspire a diverse team of staff and volunteers to strive for excellence in mission with over 6,000 children and young people annually. Send you expression of interest and CV by Friday, 28 February to: recruitment@scriptureunion.ie. If successful, you will be invited to submit a formal job application and receive more information on the role. Further information from: www.scriptureunion.ie.

Galilee to Jerusalem 2019
May 28th - June 7th - Group Leader, Mícheál de Barra and Spiritual Director, Fr John Newman (Bible Scholar). Contact Mícheál at 086 8337681 or email: culturaltoursireland@gmail.com for more details.

30 Years of Caring
The board, staff and volunteers of St Francis Hospice Dublin are pleased to announce the celebration of our 30th Anniversary on 13th February 2019. It has been our privilege to care for the people of North Dublin over the past 30 years. We could not have delivered our values based compassionate care without the support of the North Dublin parishes. We would like to take this opportunity to sincerely thank you for your ongoing support that ensures patients and their families receive care in a dignified, respectful and compassionate way.



'Spring in Your Step' Walk in aid of St Francis Hospice

Why not put a spring in your step and join us for a Family Walk in St Anne's Park at 1.00pm on Saturday, 9 March. Refreshments and fun activities for children will follow the walk. Entry Fee €20 per adult and children free. To register for the walk: www.sfh.ie, tel: 832 7535 or drop into St Francis Hospice Reception. Thank you for your support.

4th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Bl. Josephine Nicoli, virgin, St Blaise, bishop & martyr & St Ansgar, bishop are not celebrated this year

Monday
7.00pm Legion of Mary
7.30pm Miraculous Medal Novena
7.30pm Exploring Catechism

Tuesday
St Agatha, virgin & martyr
3.00pm Phibsborough Active Retired

Wednesday
Ss Paul Miki & Companions, martyrs
10.00am Cuidiu
7.00pm Legion of Mary

Thursday
St Mel, bishop
Bl. Rosalie Rendu, virgin
11.00am Prayer for Vocations
3.00pm Fall Prevention Classes

Friday
St Jerome Emiliani, patron saint of orphans & St Josephine Bakhita, virgin

5th Sunday in Ordinary Time
St Scholastica, virgin is not celebrated this year

Weekly Collections
Recent collections amounted to:

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| Church (27 Jan) | = € | 973.38 |
| Share (27 Jan) | = € | 371.70 |

Thank you very much for your continued support.

Church Gate Collections
This week's is in aid of essential Church repairs. Next week's will be in aid of the Society of St Vincent de Paul.