

Hymns for 3 March

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

Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time
3 March 2019

Me too?

Recently I had a conversation with someone who doesn't know me very well. She was very surprised to learn that I am still a practicing Catholic. "What with the way they treat women", she said... "You know... all that stuff about not ordaining women"... Affixing me a look that was pitched somewhere between pity and derision she said pointedly, "You must know that the Catholic Church is the last great bastion of patriarchy in the Western world." I made no reply but her position resonated and set me thinking: I could see where she was coming from and perhaps I could in part agree with her... So why do I, a middle aged woman, remain a practicing Catholic?

My parents were practicing and devoted Catholics. My Mother was the "active one" whose Catholicism took the form of voluntary action in our local community. She had, as I recall, a deep sense of social justice and a belief that it was both a duty and a vocation to serve the needs of those who did not find life "easy" in material terms. The causes she took up and the ways she went around this restless seeking for justice, makes me think she was a feminist before the word was either popular or profitable!

My father was almost the opposite of this, the public arena was not his chosen place. He was very mild mannered and, at first glance, appeared unremarkable, but beneath this ordinari-ness was a depth of reflection. He had an ability to perceive the layers and nuances in most situa-tions with great good humour. In stark contrast to my mother he said very little, but what he said was usually pertinent and almost invariable compassionate. It seemed to me as I got to know him as an adult that this extraordinary ordinari-ness was founded on the faith to believe, that is to trust that "all will be well". I saw this trust tested many times in my childhood when my mother was diag-nosed on more than one occasion with cancer and when latterly his own sight failed. He lived in this unsighted way for twenty years. As time moved on he became more and more able to receive the love and small kindnesses of those around him. I have often wondered if this ability to receive love was at the very core of his faith? Could it be that I learn from this lived example that the ca-pacity to receive love is what makes trust, that is, the faith to believe possible?

I think sometimes I became a social worker because of the influence of my mother, but the more I stayed in that profession the more I met my father: hers perhaps the values that took me there, his possibly the ways to be there.

I am growing old and find that I am, by necessity perhaps, drawn more and more to that trusting faith, which occasionally allows me to learn (fleetingly) that I am not autonomous and self-directing but rather dependent on a graciousness that mostly I hardly notice. I believe in that gra-ciousness and so I am facilitated to put one foot in front of the other!

Terry Kelleher

(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 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



Ash
Wednesday
Day of Fast &
Abstinence

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Volunteer Church Cleaners
11.00am Monday for 1 hour followed by light refreshments

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

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)

Society of St Vincent de Paul
7.30pm Thursday - Conference Meeting

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

Coffee Morning
The Ladies of Charity are holding a Coffee Morning on Tuesday, 5 March at 11.00am in the Sacristy.

Healing Service
Pro-Life Mass and Healing Service with Fr Pat Collins CM on Tuesday, 5 March at 7.30pm in the church. Veneration of St Pio of Pietrelcina's glove afterwards.

Fundraising Concert
Noel Hill (concertina) is joined by his talented friends, Triona Ní Dhómhnaill (songs & piano) Liam O'Connor (fiddle), Jack Talty (piano & concertina) for this concert in aid of the Daughters of Charity Mission Fund. This is one night you cannot miss, where you will enjoy a feast of top class traditional music and songs from Ireland's leading performers. Tuesday, 5 March at 8.00pm, the Pavilion Theatre, Marine Road, Dun Laoghaire, tel: 231 2929 or email: boxoffice@paviliontheatre.ie. Tickets: €20. Contact the Box Office prior to booking if you have any special seating requirements.

New to Ireland? This is an excellent way to get a "feel" for Ireland and its music. Join us on the 46a Bus to the venue in Dun Laoghaire from outside the Church (NCR Stop). Departure is at 6.30pm, **pre-book online to be sure of a**

Over 55's Free Computer Classes
Age Action is planning to run beginner computer classes for over 55's in Belvedere College on Thursday mornings starting in March. The classes are for older people who have little or no computer experience (or the absolutely terrified!). The aim of the 'Getting Started' programme is to introduce people to the basics of computers, internet and email. Classes are taught by trained volunteer tutors on a one to one basis with small groups of learners in a relaxed, non-formal setting. For more details call 475 6989.

Christmas Dues
Letters of acknowledgement unfortunately have been delayed. They will be sent out this coming week.


Morning Cuppa
Why not take a half an hour or so to gather with friends and neighbours for a cuppa on Monday, 4 March after 10.00am Mass in House No. 1 (behind the Most Precious Blood Church). As always we will have a selection of goodies and nibbles with tea and coffee to start your week with a smile.

The Ethiopia Deaf Project (EDP)...
A Draw will be held on Tuesday, 23 April in aid of the **Ethiopia Deaf Project, Giving Hands A Voice**. Tickets on sale in the Parish Office: €2 each or 3 for €5.

Prizes sponsored by TLC Centre, Maynooth

1st	40' Smart TV	6th	Sound Bar
2nd	32' Smart TV	7th	Wireless Inkjet Printer
3rd	Bagless Vacuum Cleaner	8th	Google Home Mini
4th	Healthy Air Fryer	9th	Hand Garment Steamer
5th	Wireless Speaker	10th	Slow Cooker

In Loving Memory
Please pray for the repose of the souls of all those who died recently especially Ronald Butler (Leinster Street Nth), Kay Kirwan (formerly Phibsborough) & Tony Byrne (Cabra). Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them, may they rest in peace. Amen.


ASH WEDNESDAY
May your Ash Wednesday be a time of reflection and promise.

Mass Times
7.00am & 10.30am

'Hearing Women's Voices' 1 - 8 March 2019

Sunday, 3 March
10.00am & Eucharist - Guest Preacher: Kirsten Mahon
11.30am

Monday, 4 March
10.00am Visit to Dochas Women's Prison
11.00am Angelus
7.30pm Miraculous Medal Novena - Guest Preacher: Emer Gallagher

Tuesday, 5 March
11.00am Angelus followed by Ladies of Charity Coffee Morning Sacristy

Ash Wednesday, 6 March
11.00am Angelus

Thursday, 7 March
11.00am Angelus

Friday, 8 March
International Women's Day
11.00am Angelus
2.40pm & The 8th Station, Stations of the Cross as witnessed by the women of Jerusalem
7.00pm

8th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Hearing Women's Voices

Monday
St Casimir, Patron saint of Poland
7.00pm Legion of Mary
7.30pm Miraculous Medal Novena
Theme:
7.30pm Exploring Catechism

Shrove Tuesday
St Kieran, bishop
3.00pm Phibsborough Active Retired

Ash Wednesday
Day of Fast & Abstinence
Masses: 7.00am & 10.30am
10.00am Cuidiu
7.00pm Legion of Mary

Thursday
Ss Perpetua & Felicity, martyrs
11.00am Prayer for Vocations
3.00pm Fall Prevention Classes

First Friday
St John of God, religious & St Senan, bishop
10.30am Sacred Heart Confraternity

Saturday
St Frances of Rome, religious
10.30am Children of Mary Sodality

1st Sunday of Lent

Weekly Collections
Recent collections amounted to:
Church (24 Feb) = €1,
Accord (24 Feb) = € 3
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.