

# 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 ordinariness was a depth of reflection. He had an ability to perceive the layers and nuances in most situations 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 ordinariness 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 diagnosed 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 capacity 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 (fleeting) that I am not autonomous and self-directing but rather dependent on a graciousness that mostly I hardly notice. I believe in that graciousness 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/](http://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](mailto: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.

**'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**

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**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.