



St Peter's Church, Phibsborough

Parish Newsletter

14 Sunday in Ordinary Time

7th July 2019

The Traits of a disciple

Pope Francis has said :“The Word of God cannot be given as a proposal – ‘well, if you like it...’ “No! It’s something else. It needs to be proposed with this frankness, with this force, so that the Word penetrates, as Paul says, ‘to the bone.’”

In a homily on today’s Gospel. Francis reflected on three **traits** which make for good and effective evangelization.

The **first trait** was that of the courage necessary to speak with “frankness.” We must be in love with Jesus and from this love we will gain the “spiritual courage, courage of heart” to speak God’s Word with honesty. Without this courage, we may say “something interesting, something moral,” something that will do good, or “a good philanthropy,” he said. “But this is not the Word of God.” “Only the Word of God proclaimed with this frankness, with this courage, is capable of forming the People of God.”

The **second trait** is prayer. Francis said: “Without prayer, you could have a good conference, good instruction, but it is not the Word of God. The Word of God can only come from a heart in prayer. “Prayer is what helps the Gospel to take root and bear fruit in people’s hearts” If the Gospel

is proclaimed with prayer, then the Lord will be in this “sowing of the Word, so that the Lord might water the seed so that the Word will sprout.”

Finally, **the third trait** is humility. Pope Francis warned against arrogance. “When the preacher believes he is too intelligent, or when the one who is responsible for carrying forward the Word of God tries to be clever, it will end badly,”.

Instead, we must go forward like a “lamb among wolves, but if you do not go like sheep, but you go like a wolf among wolves, the Lord will not defend you: you’ll have to fend for yourself.”

If we aim to win an argument, instead of presenting God’s truth, we will “negotiate” the meaning of the Word of God with the “powerful” and the “proud.”

“The true preacher the Pope emphasized is the one who knows they are weak, who knows that they cannot defend themselves,” This is the missionary character of the Church and of her great missionaries, those who “have planted and have helped the Church to grow in the world,” Francis concluded.

The 72 “were courageous, Disciples of prayer, and humble,” may we help to “proclaim the Word of God” with these traits.

An extract by [Hannah Brockhaus](#) (CTS)

Summer Edition



Mass Times

Sunday	Weekdays	Holy Days
Vigil (Sat) 6.30pm	Monday 10.30am	10.30am 6.30pm
Morning 8.00am	7.00pm	
10.00am	Tues - Sat	
11.30am	10.30am	

Confessions

Saturday
11.00am
or
Parish Office by arrangement

African Chaplaincy

1st Sunday
2.15pm

Syro Malabar Rite

2nd, 3rd & 4th Sunday
4.00pm

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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

In Loving Memory

Please pray for the repose of the souls of all those who died recently especially...

Michael Dineen
(NCR & London)

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them, may they rest in peace. Amen.

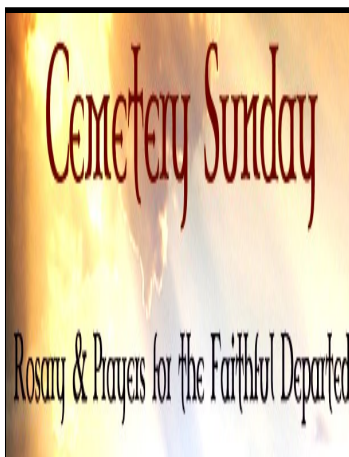


Peter's Pence Collection 2019

Total €1,000.00

This was more than double the usual Share collection

Many thanks for your generosity



Upcoming Cemetery Events

Sunday, 7 July

12.00pm Balgriffin

12.00pm The Ward

2.30pm Kilossary

3.00pm Dardistown

3.00pm Deansgrange

3.30pm Rolestown

MOVIE

MATINEE

WITH A MEANING

Venue: House: 1
(behind
' Precious Blood Church).

Date: Tuesday July 9th

Time: 2.30pm

Kevin is hosting an afternoon Movie Matinee. The movie will have an element of a deeper meaning for people of Faith and we will have a chat afterward about its meaning for today.



Parish Office

Evening
Opening
Suspended

**Mon 1 -
Wed 31 July**



This means the Sacristy, Conference Rooms and Club will be unavailable for use. IN THE EVENINGS. We look forward to seeing you all again in August.
Monday Novena as usual