

Hymns for November 2019

1 MAY THE ROAD RISE TO MEET YOU

May the wind be at your back
May the sun shine warm upon your face
May the rain fall softly on your fields
And until we meet again
May you keep safe
In the gentle loving arms of God

For everything there is a season
A time for meeting
A time to say goodbye
In all things
God is near
Always guiding your way

For everything there is a season
A time for loving
A time for letting go
In all things
God is near
Always guiding your way

2 I AM THE BREAD OF LIFE

You who come to me shall not hunger.
You who believe in me shall not thirst.
No one can come to me
Unless the Father beckon

And I will raise you up, and I will raise you up
And I will raise you up on the last day.

The bread that I will give
Is my flesh for the life of the world
And if you eat of this bread,
You shall live forever,
You shall live forever

Unless you eat
Of the flesh of the Son of man
And drink of His blood
And drink of His blood
You shall not have life within you.

3 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 Sun of peace and justice
Fills the earth with radiant light.

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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.

You shall be the path that guides us;
You the light that in us burns.
Shining deep within all people,
Yours the love that we must learn.
For our hearts shall wander restless
'til they safe to you return.
Finding you in one another,
We shall all your face discern.

4 NEARER MY GOD TO THEE, Nearer to thee

E'en though it be a cross, that saveth me
Still all my soul shall be, nearer my God to thee
Nearer my God to Thee, nearer to thee

Deep in thy sacred heart, let me abide
Thou who hast come for me, suffered and died
Sweet shall my weeping be, grief surely leading me
Nearer my God to thee, nearer to thee

5 AMAZING GRACE, how sweet the sound

That saved a wretch like me.
I once was lost, but now am found,
Was blind, but now, I see.

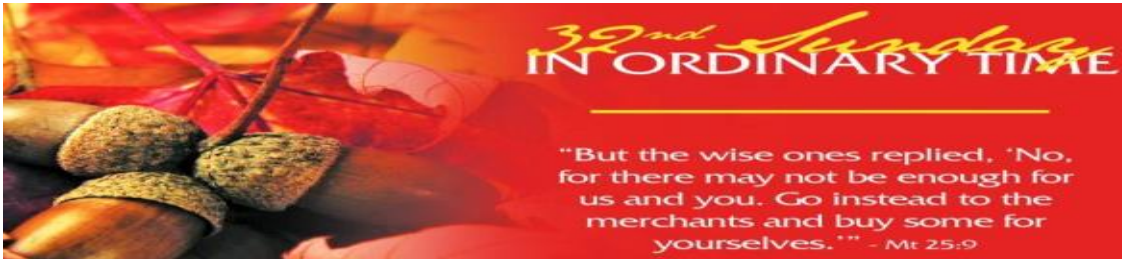
T'was Grace that taught my heart to fear.
And Grace, my fears relieved.
How precious did that Grace appear,
The hour I first believed.

Through many dangers, toils and snares,
We have already come.
T'was Grace that brought us safe thus far,
And Grace will lead us home.



St Peter's Church, Phibsborough Parish Newsletter

Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time
10 November 2019



WHERE HAVE OUR DEAD FRIENDS GONE?

Fr Aidan CM PP

I have been privileged to be with a fair number of people as they died, and each time the event has seemed miraculous. Someone I had known and spoken with, someone who's every movement came from a mysterious source of life within them, burning bright as a candle in darkness, that someone has vanished. The body is the same one I knew before. The mouth is the same one that talked and laughed. But in the blink of my eye, the individual is gone. "Where did she go?". "Where did he go?".

Even that way of talking is not quite accurate. We "go" by means of walking, using our arms and legs, and so changing places and locations. In death going somewhere is deceptive. It happens when all movement and motion stops completely. Any "going" has to be at a much, much deeper level.

Only the thing called "hope" can tell us where these people go. One of the brothers in the first reading today says it this way: "*It is my choice to die at the hands of men with the hope God gives of being raised up by him.*" Hope, not surety. And we have only to glance

at the crucifixion to see that Jesus chose to die this way. He knew his Father so well that he kept hope alive even when everything screamed against it. God is God of life, the Gospel says; "to him all are alive", even the dead.

Why are they alive? Because God keeps on loving them. Real love is like a piece of rich earth that nurtures great trees. Roots dig deep down in this earth for nourishment and moisture. The green shoots grow from this. And notice something obvious: the earth does not grow out of them! Life grows out of love, not the other way around.

Love is a force much deeper than life. When life ceases, love stays. It becomes the home, the embracing arms that enfold us. Love is the substance; life is what grows from it. So the "place" dead persons go, leaving their bodies behind, is into the heart of love, into the arms of God who is love.

To do this we have to release our tight grip on the treasures we may have hoarded, things we have chosen instead of love. We come into this world with clenched fists, we leave it with open hands! Sometimes we struggle to let go and our roots go dry in the sun. Yet love forgives and invites and helps us back.



Mass Times			Confessions	African Chaplaincy
Sunday	Weekdays	Holy Days	Saturday	
Vigil (Sat) 6.30pm	Monday 10.30am	10.30am	11.00am	1st Sunday 2.15pm
Morning 8.00am	7.00pm	6.30pm	or	Syro Malabar Rite 2nd, 3rd & 4th Sunday 4.00pm
10.00am	Tues - Sat		Parish Office	
11.30am	10.30am		by arrangement	

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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

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 Arch 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

ST PETER'S CHURCH

COFFEE MORNING

Tuesday, 12 November 2019

11.00am in the Sacristy

**ALL PROCEEDS GO TOWARDS
THE ORGAN RESTORATION FUND**



MESSIAH

BY G.F. HANDEL



Directed by David Milne

At St. Peter's Church, Phibsborough
(Organ Restoration Fund)

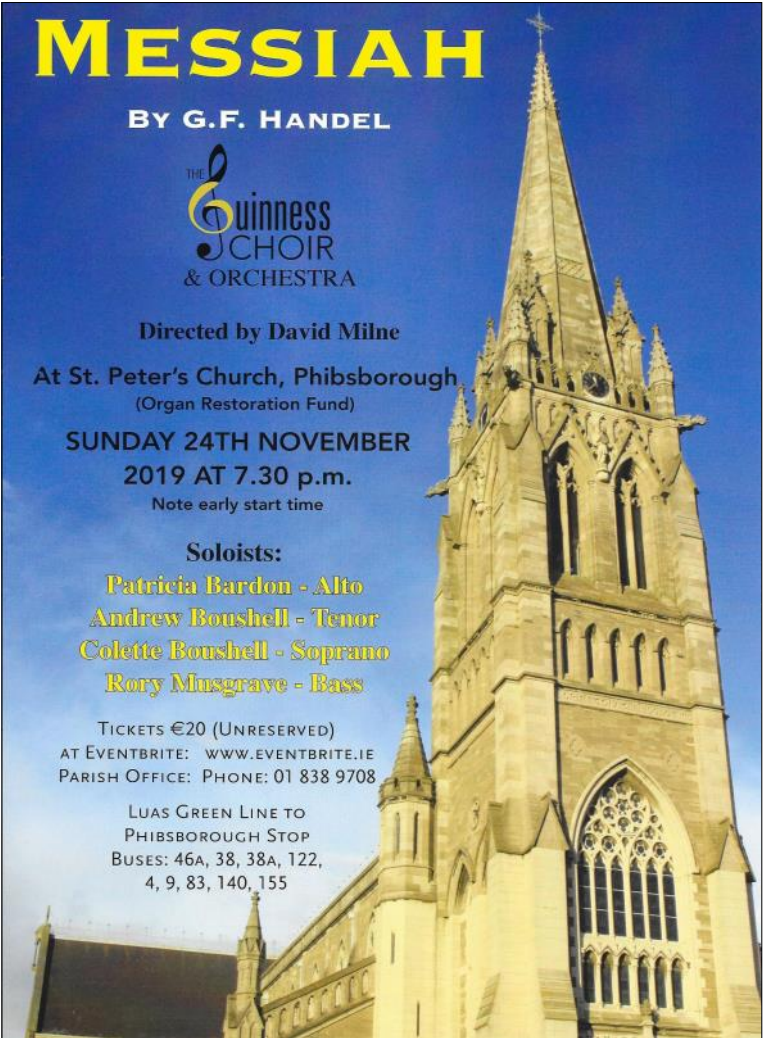
**SUNDAY 24TH NOVEMBER
2019 AT 7.30 p.m.**
Note early start time

Soloists:

Patricia Bardon - Alto
Andrew Boushell - Tenor
Colette Boushell - Soprano
Rory Musgrave - Bass

TICKETS €20 (UNRESERVED)
AT EVENTBRITE: www.eventbrite.ie
PARISH OFFICE: PHONE: 01 838 9708

LUAS GREEN LINE TO
PHIBSBOROUGH STOP
BUSES: 46A, 38, 38A, 122,
4, 9, 83, 140, 155



AN ADVENTure IN MATTHEW

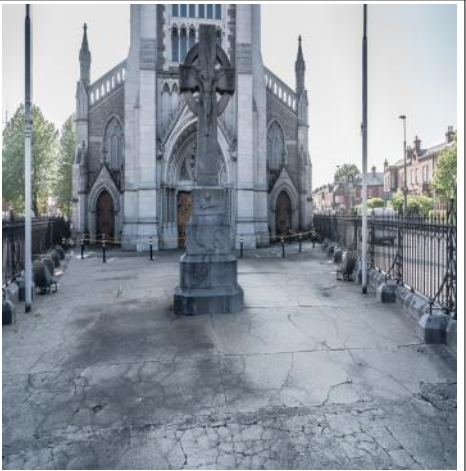
Kieran O'Mahony OSA, Augustinian priest and biblical scholar (www.tarsus.ie) will introduce Matthew's story of the Birth of Jesus. His presentations will concentrate on chapters 1 & 2 as a preparation for celebrating Christmas.

Venue: Frank Duff Room
Dates: 28 November & 5, 12, 19 December
Time: 7.30pm



THE AULD TRIANGLE

Work will commence on the front courtyard tomorrow (Monday, 11 November). The Main Doors of the Church will be closed for the duration of the works (an estimated 6 weeks) apart from the night of 'The Messiah' concert when they will be open. Entrance to the Church will be from the North Circular Road and Cabra Road doors only during the works.



**CHURCH
ENVELOPE
BOXES**



Venue: St Peter's Church
Dates: 23/24 Nov & 30 Nov/1 Dec 2019
Time: After weekend Masses

Please pick up your box from the Sacristy after Sunday Masses on the above dates or from the Parish Office weekdays. Envelopes commence the First Sunday in Advent (1 Dec).

**MIRACULOUS
MEDAL
TRIDUUM**



Venue: St Peter's Church
Dates: 25, 26, 27 November 2019
Time: 10.30am & 7.30pm

Solemn Novena to our Lady of the Miraculous Medal
10.30am Mass with Novena Prayers
7.30pm Novena Service with Homily

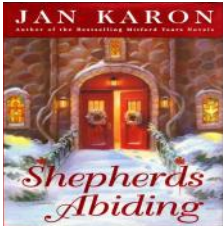
**ADVENT
PRAYER
BREAKFAST**



Venue: St Peter's Conference Room
Dates: 29 Nov & 6, 13, 20 December
Time: 7.00am

You are invited to a Prayer Breakfast every Friday morning of Advent at 7.00am (finishes by 8.00am).

**ADVENT
BOOK
CLUB**



Venue: House 1, St Finbar's Road
Behind Most Precious Blood Church
Dates: Monday, 16 December 2019
Time: 10.45am

Leave your name with the Most Precious Blood Church, tel: 838 4418 or text "BK" & your name to: 086 602 4350 by Friday, 15 November. Kevin will get the books for you priced €8.50 each.

32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Prisoners' Sunday

St Leo the Great, pope & doctor of the Church is not celebrated this year

Monday

St Martin of Tours, bishop
7.00pm Legion of Mary
7.30pm Miraculous Medal Novena
Theme: Praying for expectant mothers

Tuesday

St Josaphat, bishop & martyr
3.00pm Active Retired

Wednesday

10.00am Cuidiu
7.00pm Legion of Mary

Thursday

St Laurence O'Toole, bishop
11.00am Prayer for Vocations

Friday

St Albert the Great, bishop & doctor of the Church

Saturday

St Margaret of Scotland
St Gertrude, virgin

33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

World Day of the Poor

St Elizabeth of Hungary, religious is not celebrated this year

Weekly Collections

Recent collections amounted to:
Church (1 Nov) = € 300.25
Church (3 Nov) = €1,232.82
Share (3 Nov) = € 455.30
Repairs (3 Nov) = € 743.73

Church Gate Collection

This week's is in aid of the Society of St Vincent de Paul