



St Peter's Church, Phibsborough

Parish Newsletter

Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time: 27 June 2021

MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday, 27 June

Sean O'Hehir (BR)
May Brennan (BR)
Brigid Dalton (BR) & Dalton Family (D)
Michael Power (D)
Rose & Tom Sheridan (A)
Maura & Eugene Fitzpatrick (A)

Monday, 28 June

St Irenaeus, bishop and martyr
Martin Rohan (SI)
Holy Souls
Noel Crowe (RD)
Brendan Deering (D)
Redmond Family (D)
Joseph & Josephine &
Phyllis Whelan (A)

Tuesday, 29 June

SS Peter and Paul, Apostles
Claire Redmond (SI)
Mary McCann & McCann Family (D)
Joseph John Abbey (RD)

Wednesday, 30 June

The First Martyrs of the Holy Roman Church
Holy Souls
Mary Downes (BR)

Rosaleen Boughton (RD) Funeral at 11.30am today

Thursday, 1 July

St Oliver Plunkett, bishop and martyr
Clarice Dixon (SI)
Vincentian Community (SI)

Friday, 2 July

First Friday
Brendan Hickey (BR)
Mary Casey (BR)

Saturday, 3 July

St Thomas, Apostle
Michael Grehan (BR)

A = Anniversary
B = Birthday
BR = Birthday Remembrance
D = Deceased
GW = Get Well
MM = Months Mind
RD = Recently Deceased
SI = Special Intention
W = Wedding
WA = Wedding Anniversary

THERE ARE TWO GREAT QUESTIONS: WHAT HAS MEANING FOR MY LIFE? WHAT CAN I HOPE FOR AFTER MY DEATH?

The Book of Wisdom, written about 70 years before Jesus was born, brought a change of meaning for Jews:

"Death was not God's doing, He takes no pleasure in extinction of the living. He created everyone to be, to live".

Up to that time the Jewish faith had very vague ideas about life after death.

The Book of Wisdom was written in Greek. It used the Greek distinction between body and soul (unknown to Jewish thought). Thus:

"The souls of the just are in the hand of God, no torment shall touch them... for they are at peace" Wisdom 1,3. For good reason, these consoling lines are often used at Catholic funerals.

The teaching of Jesus elaborated and developed this evolving belief in life after we die. Jesus often used signs or miracles to reinforce his teaching.

On three occasions, by prophetic words, Jesus brought people who had died back to life again:

- today's gospel about the daughter of Jairus, a synagogue official;
- the raising up of the Widow's son (at Nain – near Mount Tabor) as his body was being carried out for burial (Luke 7, 11-17);
- the raising of Lazarus, brother of Martha and Mary at Bethany (John 11).

These three gospel stories are told to support our faith in Jesus, the Christ.

To Jairus, Jesus says, "do not fear, only believe"; to Martha: "I am the resurrection and the life ... do you believe this?"

Jesus awaits your reply.

Padraig Regan, CM

CONTINUING TO DISCERN A NEW PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL

What does it mean to promote the pastoral welfare of the parish and the parishioners? A parish exists to help families and individuals grow in Faith through prayer, Mass, the sacraments and other forms of liturgy. Included in this is building a sense of community, developing gifts for the service of God and people, coming to understand and mature in our knowledge and experience of God and the ways God works in our lives and in the world. How can we do these things? A parish pastoral council consults with people, reflects together and tries to propose ways in which these goals can be achieved. It hopes to plan practical means to help the parish grow in Faith, in community, in living the Faith more fully so that we become a people in whom God is alive and active. We hope that our parish will express its love for God in many ways that touch into the lives of the people.

Some questions for reflection.

What would you like to the parish to offer you?

What could you offer to help the parish develop?

What service, need is not being met in the parish and how do you think it could happen?

Thankyou to those who have shared some reflections and ideas so far. I hope that many more will feel welcome to share their thoughts and hopes. Please phone, text, email, write or speak to me at any time. Thankyou.

Eamon Devlin, CM

LITURGICAL READINGS FOR: Sunday, 27 June 2021

FIRST READING

A reading from the Book of Wisdom

Death was not God's doing, he takes no pleasure in the extinction of the living. To be - for this he created all; the world's created things have health in them, in them no fatal poison can be found, and Hades holds no power on earth; for virtue is undying. Yet God did make man imperishable, he made him in the image of his own nature; it was the devil's envy that brought death into the world, as those who are his partners will discover.

The Word of the Lord.

SECOND READING

A reading from the second letter of St Paul to the Corinthians

You always have the most of everything - of faith, of eloquence, of understanding, of keenness for any cause, and the biggest share of our affection - so we expect you to put the most into this work of mercy too. Remember how generous the Lord Jesus was: he was rich, but he became poor for your sake, to make you rich out of his poverty. This does not mean that to give relief to others you ought to make things difficult for yourselves: it is a question of balancing what happens to be your surplus now against their present need, and one day they may have something to spare that will supply your own need. That is how we strike a balance: as scripture says: The man who gathered much had none too much, the man who gathered little did not go short.

The Word of the Lord

GOSPEL

A reading from the Gospel according to Mark

When Jesus had crossed in the boat to the other side, a large crowd gathered round him and he stayed by the lakeside. Then one of the synagogue officials came up, Jairus by name, and seeing him, fell at his feet and pleaded with him earnestly, saying, 'My little daughter is desperately sick. Do come and lay your hands on her to make her better and save her life.' Jesus went with him and a large crowd followed him; they were pressing all round him. Some people arrived from the house of the synagogue official to say, 'Your daughter is dead: why put the Master to any further trouble?' But Jesus had overheard this remark of theirs and he said to the official, 'Do not be afraid; only have faith.' And he allowed no one to go with him except Peter and James and John the brother of James. So they came to the official's house and Jesus noticed all the commotion, with people weeping and wailing unrestrainedly. He went in and said to them, 'Why all this commotion and crying? The child is not dead, but asleep.' But they laughed at him. So he turned them all out and, taking with him the child's father and mother and his own companions, he went into the place where the child lay. And taking the child by the hand he said to her, 'Talitha, kum!' which means, 'Little girl, I tell you to get up.' The little girl got up at once and began to walk about, for she was twelve years old. At this they were overcome with astonishment, and he ordered them strictly not to let anyone know about it, and told them to give her something to eat.

The Gospel of the Lord.

FAMILIES WALKING TOGETHER IN HOPE

The 'walking together in hope' initiative will be launched on 25 August 2021 at St Mary's Pro-Cathedral. The Archdiocese will provide some simple ideas for families and parishes beginning in September. This project aims to help families to support and strengthen their Family Faith, by focussing on and celebrating times of hope and joy in family life. Resources will be provided which will reflect how family lives today.

VINCENTIAN PILGRIMAGE TO KNOCK

While it is not certain that a pilgrimage to Knock will be possible this year as we await the further easing of restrictions, we are hopeful that a pilgrimage will take place on the second **Saturday (10th) of September**. In the meantime it would be good to know what level of interest there would be. Please contact the Parish Office or Repository or speak to one of the priests so that we can get a sense of numbers considering, wishing or sure to go. Thank you.

IN LOVING MEMORY

Please remember in your prayers all those who died recently especially Rosaleen Boughton (née Bolger) formerly of Connaught Parade and John Joseph Abbey formerly of Phibsboro. Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.

Amen.

COLLECTIONS - Sunday 20 June

Parish (1st Collection, incl. online) = €945.46
Weekly Envelopes (incl. online) = €632.20
Share (2nd Collection) = €238.34

Thank you for your continued support.

The annual **Peter's Pence** collection will take place next weekend 3/4 July replacing SHARE

OPENING TIMES

CHURCH: Mon: 9.00am - 7.30pm, Tues - Fri: 9.00am - 6.00pm, Sat: 9.00am - 7.30pm, Sun: 7.30am - 6.00pm

PARISH OFFICE: Monday – Friday: 10.00am – 12.30pm (01) 838 9708 or email: info@stpetersphibsboro.ie

REPOSITORY: Open most mornings before and after daily Mass

MASS TIMES

Sunday: vigil 6.30pm (Sat), 8.00am, 10.00am, 11.30am

Monday: 10.30am & 7.00pm (Novena to our Lady of the Miraculous Medal)

Tuesday to Saturday: 10.30am

Restricted numbers continue to apply (max 50 people per Mass)

All services also available online at: www.churchservices.tv/phibsboro or www.stpetersphibsboro.ie/live-stream

Confessions: Saturday 11.00am - 12.30pm and at any other time on request