

# St Peter's Church, Phibsborough

Parish Newsletter

Twenty-Eight Sunday in Ordinary Time: 10 October 2021

# **MASS INTENTIONS**

# Sunday, 10 October

Patricia Heaslip (A)

Rose & Tom Sheridan (A)

Maura & Eugene Fitzpatrick (A)

Peter Senezio (A)

Caffrey Family (D)

Morrissey Family (D)

Ned Ward (D)

Agnes & John Kennedy (D)

## Monday, 11 October

St John XXIII, St Canice
Tom & Greta Keane (D)
Mary & John O'Connell (D)
Melly Family (D)

# Tuesday, 12 October

Holy Souls

#### Wednesday, 13 October

Holy Souls Sheila Dunne (A)

#### Thursday, 14 October

St Callistus I, pope and martyr Declan Dunne (A) Sr Clare Murphy (A)

#### Friday, 15 October

St Therese of Avila, virgin and doctor of the Church

#### Saturday, 16 October

St Hedwig, religious; St Margaret Mary Alacoque, Virgin; St Gall, abbot and missionary; Blessed Virgin Mary

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

#### THE ROSARY - CHRIST-CENTRED PRAYER

The Feast of Our Lady of the Rosary falls on 7 October and the month of October has traditionally been devoted to renewed devotion to the Rosary as a family prayer. Many of us have mixed memories of praying the rosary at home when it was a staple of daily life. For some it evokes memories of belonging across generations even if the trimmings tried patience and provoked outbursts of mirth. For others the rosary was a weight too much to bear on top of a weary day of work.

If requests for rosary beads are anything to go by, then the rosary has experience some kind of renewal during the pandemic. Perhaps, as in penal times, when Mass was rarely celebrated, people have once more found in the rosary a family and personal support. The rosary is a meditation on the mysteries of the life of Jesus, joyful, sorrowful, and glorious, through the eyes and heart of Mary. It is essentially Christ-centred. As we think about events in Jesus' life we find echoes of our own lives and can bring these to the Lord for help and healing, reassurance, guidance and understanding. The rosary unites us, mind and heart, with the mind and heart of Mary as she prays with us drawing us more and more to an understanding of the ways and work of God in our situations as she experienced in hers.

Why not take up or return to the rosary, praying just one decade perhaps to begin with?

Rosaries are available from the Church on request.

Eamon Devlin, CM, PP

## THIS WEEK

#### Monday:

Novena in honour of Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal. Prayer petitions and thanksgiving for favours received. Medals blessed and distributed. 7pm in the Church.

# Tuesday:

Seminar on Archbishop Farrell's Pastoral 'The Cry of the Earth - The Cry of the Poor' 7pm St Peter's Club (entrance via pedestrian gate at carpark/garden entrance on Cabra Rd)

Choir practice in the Church from 7.30pm (please contact the Parish Office to register interest)

#### Wednesday:

Baptismal Preparation for families who have registered for baptisms during October. 6.30pm in the Frank Duff room. Entrance via hall door on Cabra Rd.

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# LITURGICAL READINGS FOR: Sunday, 10 October 2021

#### FIRST READING

#### A reading from the Book of Wisdom

I prayed, and understanding was given me; I entreated, and the spirit of Wisdom came to me. I esteemed her more than sceptres and thrones; compared with her, I held riches as nothing.

I reckoned no priceless stone to be her peer, for compared with her, all gold is a pinch of sand, and beside her silver ranks as mud. I loved her more than health or beauty,preferred her to the light, since her radiance never sleeps. In her company all good things came to me, at her hands riches not to be numbered.

The Word of the Lord.

#### SECOND READING

#### A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Hebrews

The word of God is something alive and active; it cuts like any double-edged sword but more finely: it can slip through the place where the soul is divided from the spirit, or joints from the marrow; it can judge the secret emotions and thoughts. No created thing can hide from him, everything is uncovered and open to the eyes of the one to whom we must give account of ourselves.

The Word of the Lord

#### **GOSPEL**

#### A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark

Jesus was setting out on a journey when a man ran up, knelt before him and put this question to him, 'Good master, what

must I do to inherit eternal life?' Jesus said to him 'Why do you call me good? No one is good but God alone. You know the commandments: You must not kill; You must not commit adultery; You must not steal; You must not bring false witness; You must not defraud; Honour your father and mother.' And he said to him, 'Master, I have kept all these from my earliest days.'

Jesus looked steadily at him and loved him, and he said, 'There is one thing you lack. Go and sell everything you own and give the money to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven; then come, follow me.' But his face fell at these words and he went away sad, for he was a man of great wealth.

Jesus looked round and said to his disciples, 'How hard it is for those who have riches to enter the kingdom of God!' The disciples were astounded by these words, but Jesus insisted, 'My children,' he said to them, 'how hard it is to enter the kingdom of God! It is easier for a camel to pass through the eye of a needle than for a rich man to enter the kingdom of God!' They were more astonished than ever. 'In that case' they said to one another, 'Who can be saved?' Jesus gazed at them. 'For men' he said, 'it is impossible, but not for God: because everything is possible for God.'

Peter took this up. 'What about us?' he asked him. 'We have left everything and followed you' Jesus said, 'I tell you solemnly, there is no one who has left house, brothers, sisters, father, children or land for my sake and for the sake of the gospel who will not be repaid a hundred times over, houses, brothers, sisters, mothers, children and land - not without persecutions - now in this present time and, in the world to come, eternal life.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

#### **TAX RELIEF DONATIONS**

As a registered charity St Peter's Parish can claim tax relief on donations of €250 or more in any one year at a rate of 31% (no matter what rate of tax you pay). It applies to all cheque/cash and online donations which are made in instalments over the year or as one donation during that time. We are later than usual this year, but if you are eligible and have donated to any or all of the following\* for 2020 please fill in a CHY 4 Cert available from the Church, Parish Office or online at: <a href="www.stpetersphibsboro.ie">www.stpetersphibsboro.ie</a> \*Weekly Envelopes / Easter or Christmas Dues / Church Gate for essential Church Repairs or Online (easypayments/standing orders). Thank you for all your support.

# IN LOVING MEMORY

Please remember in your prayers all those who died recently especially Paul Carrol, formerly of Connaught Street, Máirín McDonnell, formerly of Cherrymount Park and Pauline Johnston. 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 3 October**

Parish (1st Collection, incl. online) = € 841.49 Weekly Envelopes (incl. online) = € 767.70 Share (2nd Collection) = € 186.43 SVP (local conference) = € 240.00 Ladies of Charity = € 240.00

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