



St Peter's Church, Phibsborough

Parish Newsletter

Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time: 19 September 2021

MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday, 19 September

Darius Narusevicius (SI)
Vaiva Baltakyte (SI)
Michael Loughlin (A)
Mary Jane Kelly (A)
John & Nuala Spillane (A)
Matt Murphy (A)
John Brady (D)
Bernie McDonagh (D)

Monday, 20 September

Ss Andrew Kim Tae-gon, priest, Paul chong Ha-san, and Companions, martyrs
Emily Sutton (BR)
Martin Thompson (RD)
Gerard & Joan Whelan (A)
Tommy O'Reilly (D)
Holy Souls

Tuesday, 21 September

St Matthew, Apostle and Evangelist
Michael Power (A)
Tommy Pedlar (D)
Mable Clarke (RD)

Wednesday, 22 September

Kevin Cogan (A)

Thursday, 23 September

St Pius of Pietrclina (Padre Pio), priest
Eva Fox (SI) First Holy Communion
Thomas & Kathleen Somers(A)

Friday, 24 September

Special Intention
Brigid, Nora & Maureen Moloney (D)

Saturday, 25 September

St Finbarr, bishop
Michael Dorney (A)

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

PATIENT DETERMINATION ALWAYS

Jesus in today's gospel speaks on the sufferings due to meet him in Jerusalem. His opponents would torture and kill him. But he would rise again in glory and bring salvation to us all.

The 1st Reading is a background to this climax of Christ's life of earth. This extract from the Book of Wisdom belongs to a wider wisdom literature of the Old Testament; it is a genre distinct from the books on history, prophets, liturgy, or legal themes. Wisdom writing deals with the Jewish faith in regard to daily life, relationships, family trials, suffering, rejoicing, good fortune, sickness, misfortune, preparation for life's ending.

Today's excerpt portrays mounting hostility against the wise person who is upright, religious, trusting God. This person is a clear reminder of Christ. The 2nd Reading utterly condemns envy, greed, hatred, and calls for the pursuit of holy desires, finding fruit in peace and harmony.

Jesus (in the gospel) and the wise person (1st Reading) model for us fidelity, determination, calm living of the truth, patience in times of provocation and trial.

We pray for the realising of good desires, 'seeds bearing fruit in holiness!'

Eamon Flanagan, CM

CRY OF THE EARTH - CRY OF THE POOR is the title of Archbishop Farrell's pastoral letter to the Diocese in which he reflects on the climate catastrophe from the perspective of faith. We are being challenged to find ways of living that are more sustainable and responsible and which respect the planet, our common home. A series of short seminars to reflect on the challenges facing us will take place in St Peter's Club beginning on Tuesday 28 September at 7pm. Please take some time to read the Pastoral Letter and do come along to the gathering which will be led by Fr Pdraig Regan CM. Entrance via pedestrian gate to the carpark and garden on the Cabra Road side.

Eamon Devlin, CM, PP

MINISTERS OF THE WORD -

REHEARSAL AND RENEWAL OF COMMITMENT MEETING.

Those who exercise the ministry of reader in the parish provide a very valuable service in proclaiming God's word and we are very grateful to them for this ministry. All readers at weekday or Sunday Masses are requested to attend a rehearsal and renewal of commitment meeting on one of the following days in the Church: Saturday 2 October at 2pm or Wednesday 6 October at 7pm. (Two opportunities are offered to ensure that all readers have the possibility of attending).

Eamon Devlin, CM, PP

LITURGICAL READINGS FOR: Sunday, 19 September 2021

FIRST READING

A reading from the book of Wisdom

The godless say to themselves, 'Let us lie in wait for the virtuous man, since he annoys us and opposes our way of life, reproaches us for our breaches of the law and accuses us of playing false to our upbringing. Let us see if what he says is true, let us observe what kind of end he himself will have. If the virtuous man is God's son, God will take his part and rescue him from the clutches of his enemies. Let us test him with cruelty and with torture, and thus explore this gentleness of his and put his endurance to the proof. Let us condemn him to a shameful death since he will be looked after - we have his word for it.'

The Word of the Lord

SECOND READING

A reading from the letter of St. James

Wherever you find jealousy and ambition, you find disharmony, and wicked things of every kind being done; whereas the wisdom that comes down from above is essentially something pure; it also makes for peace, and is kindly and considerate; it is full of compassion and shows itself by doing good; nor is there any trace of partiality or hypocrisy in it. Peacemakers, when they work for peace, sow the seeds which will bear fruit in holiness. Where do these wars and battles between yourselves first start? Isn't it precisely in the desires fighting inside your own selves? You want something and you haven't got it; so you

are prepared to kill. You have an ambition that you cannot satisfy; so you fight to get your way by force. Why you don't have what you want is because you don't pray for it; when you do pray and don't get it, it is because you have not prayed properly, you have prayed for something to indulge your own desires.

The Word of the Lord

GOSPEL

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark.

After leaving the mountain Jesus and his disciples made their way through Galilee; and he did not want anyone to know, because he was instructing his disciples; he was telling them, 'The Son of Man will be delivered into the hands of men; they will put him to death; and three days after he has been put to death he will rise again'. But they did not understand what he said and were afraid to ask him. They came to Capernaum, and when he was in the house he asked them, 'What were you arguing about on the road' They said nothing because they had been arguing which of them was the greatest. So he sat down, called the Twelve to him and said, 'If anyone wants to be first, he must make himself last of all and servant of all.' He then took a little child set him in front of them, put his arms round him, and said to them, 'Anyone who welcomes one of these little children in my name, welcomes me; and anyone who welcomes me welcomes not me but the one who sent me

The Gospel of the Lord.

LAUNCH OF VINCENTIAN FAMILY WEBSITE....

Will take place in the Church immediately after 6.30pm Vigil Mass on Saturday 25th September. Several branches of the Vincentian Family are active in the parish. It is very fitting that the office of the Vincentian Family Council is located in St Peter's where, as our Church so beautifully records, the work of St Vincent de Paul, St Louise de Marillac, St Catherine Laboure, St John Gabriel Perboyre and Blessed Frederic Ozanam are celebrated in stone and stained glass.

Sr Claire McKiernan DC, co-ordinator of the Vincentian Family Council will introduce a video presentation which will include interviews with representatives of each of the members of the Vincentian Family. All are welcome to remain behind after Mass to attend the launch.

FIRST AID COURSE

The Order of Malta Unit is running a First Aid Course starting 22 September in Cabra for 10 to 16 year old from 6.30pm to 8.00pm and a First Aid Responder Course for adults from 8.00pm to 9.30pm. For more information contact Katie on 087 274 7091

IN LOVING MEMORY

Please remember in your prayers all those who died recently especially Charlie McCann. 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 12 September

Parish (1st Collection, incl. online)	= € 1,971.94
Weekly Envelopes (incl. online)	= € 596.70
Share (2nd Collection)	= € 309.68

Thank you for your continued support and generosity.

Annual Crosscare Collection

Takes place this weekend replacing the **Share** collection. Envelopes are available for those unable to attend weekend Mass or who wish to donate at a later date.