



St Peter's Church, Phibsborough

Parish Newsletter

Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time: 24 October 2021

MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday, 24 October

World Mission Sunday

St Anthony Mary Claret, bishop is not celebrated this year

Breda Egan (1st A)

Joe Wyer (A)

Jack Fitzpatrick (A)

Marie Conway (A)

Albert Cryer (D)

Christy & Cora Campbell (D)

McKenna & Murphy Families (D)

Tom Stokes (D)

Monday, 25 October

Bl. Thaddeus MacCarthy, bishop

John Shanahan (D)

Holy Souls

Tuesday, 26 October

Máirín McDonnell (MM)

Stella Gaffney (1st A)

Wednesday 27 October

St Otteran, monk

Bernadette Connaughton (BR)

Lora McClory (A)

Thursday, 28 October

Ss Simon & Jude, Apostles

Kathleen & Walter Murphy (A)

Friday, 29 October

Anniversary of the Dedication of the Vincentian Community Church

St Colman, bishop

Special Intention

Saturday, 30 October

Special Intention

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

MISSION SUNDAY

St Francis Xavier in 1562, a short time before his death at 46, stood on an island facing China, longing to extend the Faith in that immense country. He had already preached the Gospel extensively in India and Japan.

Bishop Thomas McGettrick of St Patrick's Society, Kiltegan, spent decades on foreign missions up to the 1980's. Once, at home on a break from his labours, he held up his right hand, and said: "This hand has poured the waters of Baptism on 60,000 new members of the Church." He said this with joy, truth and thanksgiving to God.

These apostolic champions of the faith were putting into effect the command of Jesus in the Gospel: "Go forth, make disciples of all the nations; baptise them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit" (Matthew 28:19).

The pattern of foreign missions has changed greatly in recent times. Social, economic, educational, cultural, climatic, ecumenical, and other dimensions are now given prominence as in areas that are outside mission territory. Always the central focus is the reality of faith, the identity of the Church, as a community following the full teaching of Christ.

Not all can be active in mission lands, but we can all play a part, by prayer, interest, support in acts of charity, welcome and material aid. This parish of St Peter's has been most prolific in its missionary commitment to our confreres, especially in Nigeria. Let us have a missionary heart, like St Vincent, who in the 17th century sent his priests and brothers to European countries (including Cromwellian Ireland), and to Africa. He himself even desired to go to newly explored distant places on mission. His love of people and of our faith speaks eloquently to us still.

Eamon Flanagan CM

THIS WEEK

Monday 25 October:

The Novena in honour of Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal will NOT take place this week due to the Bank Holiday.

Tuesday 26 October:

The fifth and last seminar on Archbishop Farrell's Pastoral 'The Cry of the Earth - The Cry of the Poor' is at 7.00pm in St Peter's Club (entrance via pedestrian gate at car park / garden entrance on the Cabra Road).

Meeting of Parish Pastoral Council is at 7.00pm in the Frank Duff Room (entrance via hall door on the Cabra Road side, facing the Elmo Shop).

Choir Practice in the Church from 7.30pm (newcomers please contact the Parish Office to confirm interest).

Eamon Devlin CM PP

LITURGICAL READINGS FOR: Mission Sunday, 24 October 2021

FIRST READING

A reading from the book of the Prophet Jeremiah

The Lord says this: Shout with joy for Jacob! Hail the chief of nations! Proclaim! Praise! Shout! 'The Lord has saved his people, the remnant of Israel!' See, I will bring them back from the land of the North and gather them from the far ends of earth; all of them: the blind and the lame, women with child, women in labour: a great company returning here. They had left in tears, I will comfort them as I lead them back; I will guide them to streams of water, by a smooth path where they will not stumble. For I am a father to Israel, and Ephraim is my first-born son.

The Word of the Lord.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Response: What marvels the Lord worked for us!
Indeed we were glad.

SECOND READING

A reading from the letter to the Hebrews

Every high priest has been taken out of mankind and is appointed to act for men in their relations with God, to offer gifts and sacrifices for sins; and so he can sympathise with those who are ignorant or uncertain because he too lives in the limitations of weakness. That is why he has to make sin offerings for himself as well as for the people. No one takes this honour on himself, but each one is called by God, as Aaron was. Nor did Christ give himself the glory of becoming high priest, but he had

it from the one who said to him: You are my son, today I have become your father, and in another text: You are a priest of the order of Melchizedek, and for ever.

The Word of the Lord.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia!

I am the light of the world, says the Lord,
anyone who follows me will have the light of life.

Alleluia!

GOSPEL

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark

As Jesus left Jericho with his disciples and a large crowd, Bartimaeus (that is, the son of Timaeus), a blind beggar, was sitting at the side of the road. When he heard that it was Jesus of Nazareth, he began to shout and to say, 'Son of David, Jesus, have pity on me.' And many of them scolded him and told him to keep quiet, but he only shouted all the louder, 'Son of David, have pity on me.' Jesus stopped and said, 'Call him here. 'So they called the blind man. 'Courage,' they said 'get up; he is calling you.' So throwing off his cloak, he jumped up and went to Jesus. Then Jesus spoke, 'What do you want me to do for you?' 'Rabbuni,' the blind man said to him 'Master, let me see again.' Jesus said to him, 'Go; your faith has saved you.' And immediately his sight returned and he followed him along the road.

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: www.stpetersphibsboro.ie

*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 Fr Michael Tobin (formerly Great Western Square), Paul Carroll (formerly Connaught Street), Máirín McDonnell (formerly Cherry Mount Park), Pauline Johnston (formerly Avondale Avenue), and sisters Angela Mullen & Ann Kelliher (both née Bartley, formerly Great Western Square). 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.**

PARISH OFFICE

The parish office will be closed on Monday due to the Bank Holiday. It will re-open on Tuesday as usual.

COLLECTIONS - Sunday 17 October

Parish (1st Collection, incl. online) = €1,051.61

Weekly Envelopes (incl. online) = € 514.70

Share (2nd Collection) = € 274.39

Thank you for your continued support and generosity to the parish and diocese each week.