



St Peter's Church, Phibsborough

Parish Newsletter

Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time: 6 February 2022

MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday, 6 February

Ss Paul Miki & Companions, martyrs are not celebrated this year

Kathleen Nolan (1st A)
Catherine McManus (10th A)
Sean O'Toole (A)
Claire Corcoran (A)
John Ward (A)
Nell Blaney (D)
Winnie McArdle (D)
Michael Ward (D)

Monday, 7 February

St Mel, bishop & Bl. Rosalie Rendu, virgin

Rennie Cowman (BR)
Ellen & Joe Ward (A)
Steven Sheridan (A)
Patrick Sheridan (D)

Tuesday, 8 February

International Day of Prayer & Awareness against Human Trafficking

St Jerome Emiliani, Patron Saint of Orphans & St Josephine Bakhita, virgin

Frank McMahan (A)
Tom Heagney (D)
Holy Souls

Wednesday, 9 February

Thanksgiving
Robert Forbes (RD)
Thomas Heagney (D)
Holy Souls

Thursday, 10 February

St Scholastica, virgin

John Mungovan (A)
Andrew Kenny (A)
Holy Souls

Friday, 11 February

World Day of the Sick

Our Lady of Lourdes

St Gbennait, virgin

Gabrielle Moran (A)
Annam Paul (A)
Brian & May Darcy (D)

Saturday, 12 February

Ashling Murphy (MM)
Evelyn Hudson (MM)

"HER WONDROUS ACTS OF KINDNESS"

Between February 11th and July 16th 1858 Our Lady appeared 18 times to 14 year old Bernadette Soubirous in the cave of Massabielle near Lourdes, in the foothills of the Pyrenees. Introducing herself as 'the Immaculate Conception' the Blessed Virgin confirmed the ancient faith of the Church and echoed the events at the Rue du Bac in Paris 28 years earlier when she asked Catherine Labouré to have a medal struck with the prayer 'O Mary conceived without sin, pray for us who have recourse to Thee.'

We are very blessed and privileged to be caught up in this long faith tradition that acknowledges the intercessory power of the Mother of Jesus. The miraculous medal shrine in our Church, our weekly novena, and the widespread devotion of many who receive and wear the medal as a sign of their devotion are sources of much joy and encouragement. It has been noted of Lourdes that many of the signs and miracles that occur affect people who have not themselves prayed for help and healing but whose situation was brought to Our Lady by a family member or friend. Thus does Mary continue to express her motherly care for all - much indeed to give thanks for as we celebrate the feast of Our Lady of Lourdes this year.

Fr Eamon Devlin CM

PRAYER FOR THE SYNOD

We stand before You, Holy Spirit, as we gather together in Your name.

With You alone to guide us, make Yourself at home in our hearts;

Teach us the way we must go and how we are to pursue it.

We are weak and sinful; do not let us promote disorder.

Do not let ignorance lead us down the wrong path nor partiality influence our actions.

Let us find in You our unity so that we may journey together to eternal life and not stray from the way of truth and what is right.

All this we ask of You, who are at work in every place and time, in the communion of the Father and the Son, forever and ever. **Amen.**

THIS WEEK

Monday 7th February

7.00pm - Novena Mass in honour of Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal with blessing and distribution of medals and procession to Our Lady's Shrine presenting petitions and thanksgiving. Rosary at 6.40pm. Confessions also available from 6.30pm.

Friday 11th February

Feast of Our Lady of Lourdes. World Day of Prayer for the Sick with anointing of the sick during the 10.30am Mass.

Exposition of the Most Blessed Sacrament takes place every Saturday from 11.00am - 12.30pm (except in the case of a funeral or wedding). Confessions are also available throughout this period of prayer.

WEEKLY COLLECTIONS

The annual collection for Accord Dublin, the Diocesan Agency for Marriage and the Family, will be made at all Masses next weekend 12th/13th February. This will replace the usual Share collection.

PILGRIMAGE TO KNOCK - 4 NIGHT STAY

KNOCK PILGRIMAGES are organising a pilgrimage to Knock Shrine, 21st Feb. €549.00 pp sharing, inc. return bus transfer from Dublin. For details contact Patricia at 087 1890 236 or knockpilgrimages@gmail.com. Full details on our website: www.stpetersphibsboro.ie.

LITURGICAL READINGS FOR: Sunday, 6th February 2022

FIRST READING

A reading from the book of the Prophet Isaiah

In the year of King Uzziah's death I saw the Lord seated on a high throne; his train filled the sanctuary; above him stood seraphs, each one with six wings. And they cried out one to another in this way, *'Holy, holy, holy is the Lord of hosts. His glory fills the whole earth.'*

The foundations of the threshold shook with the voice of the one who cried out and the Temple was filled with smoke. I said: *'What a wretched state I am in! I am lost, for I am a man of unclean lips and I live among a people of unclean lips, and my eyes have looked at the King, the Lord of hosts.'*

Then one of the seraphs flew to me, holding in his hand a live coal which he had taken from the altar with a pair of tongs. With this he touched my mouth and said: *'See now, this has touched your lips, your sin is taken away, your iniquity is purged.'*

Then I heard the voice of the Lord saying: *'Whom shall I send? Who will be our messenger?'*

I answered, *'Here I am, send me.'*

The Word of the Lord.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Response: Before the angels I will bless you, O Lord.

SECOND READING (Shorter Form)

A reading from the first letter of St Paul to the Corinthians
In the first place, I taught you what I had been taught myself, namely that Christ died for our sins, in accordance with the scriptures; that he was buried; and that he was raised to life on the third day, in accordance with the scriptures; that he appeared first to Cephas and secondly to the Twelve. Next he appeared to more than five hundred of the brothers at the same time, most of whom are still alive, though some have died; then he appeared to James, and then to all the apostles; and last of all he appeared to me too; it was as though I was born when no one expected it. But what matters is that I preach what they preach, and this is what you all believed.
The Word of the Lord.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia!

I call you friends, says the Lord,
because I have made known to you everything I have learnt from my Father.

Alleluia!

GOSPEL

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke
Jesus was standing one day by the Lake of Gennesaret, with the crowd pressing round him listening to the word of God, when he caught sight of two boats close to the bank. The fishermen had gone out of them and were washing their nets. He got into one of the boats - it was Simon's - and asked him to put out a little from the shore. Then he sat down and taught the crowds from the boat.

When he had finished speaking he said to Simon, *'Put out into deep water and pay out your nets for a catch.'* *'Master,'* Simon replied *'we worked hard all night long and caught nothing, but if you say so, I will pay out the nets for a catch.'*

And when they had done this they netted such a huge number of fish that their nets began to tear, so they signalled to their companions in the other boat to come and help them; when these came, they filled the two boats to sinking point.

When Simon Peter saw this he fell at the knees of Jesus saying,

'Leave me, Lord; I am a sinful man.' For he and all his companions were completely overcome by the catch they had made; so also were James and John, sons of Zebedee, who were Simon's partners.

But Jesus said to Simon,

'Do not be afraid; from now on it is men you will catch.'

Then, bringing their boats back to land, they left everything and followed him.

The Gospel of the Lord.

SITUATION VACANT

St Peter's Parish is currently recruiting for a part-time sacristan. Please see details on the notice boards and on our website at: www.stpetersphibsboro.ie.

COLLECTIONS - Sunday 30 January

Parish (1st Collection, incl. online) = € 811.65

Weekly Envelopes (incl. online) = € 621.70

Share (2nd Collection) = € 267.68

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

IN LOVING MEMORY

Please remember in your prayers all those who died recently especially Alacoque Gunning, Robert McKee and Evelyn Hudson. 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.