

St Peter's Church, Phibsborough

Parish Newsletter

First Sunday of Lent: 6th March 2022

MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday, 6 March

Larry O'Sullivan (MM)

Maureen Brady (MM)

Delia Pierce (1st A)

Tommy Brennan (A)

Anthony & Rosaleen Burke (BR)

Monday, 7 March

Ss Perpetua & Felicity, martyrs Michael Twyford (BR)

Mary Dunne (A)

Bridie Connell (A)

Tuesday, 8 March

St John of God, religious & St Senan, bishop

Edward Dunne (BR)

Kevin Heffernan (BR)

Joan Brady Barton (A)

Tommy Brennan (A)

Michael Acton (A)

Wednesday, 9 March

St Frances of Rome, religious

Angela Quane (MM)

Michael Kelly (A)

Thursday, 10 March

Padraig McDermott (MM)

Friday, 11 March

St Aengus, bishop & abbot

Anniversary of the episcopal ordination of Most Rev. Dermot Farrell, 11 March 2018

Michael & Elizabeth Mongey (50th WA)

Brian & May Darcy (D)

Saturday, 12 March

Maura & Sheila (GW)

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

OUR JOYS AND SORROWS

Lent is a time for prayer and deeper reflection as we join Jesus in the desert where He fine tuned the priority in His life 'man does not live on bread alone but on every word that comes from the mouth of God'. He came to do the Father's will. If these forty days of Lent were to help me identify my priority in life - honestly and simply - I might then be ready to fine tune and refocus my priority in line with the Lord's priority. As a second step on our Synodal Path we are now invited to put pen to paper in response to two simple questions with an answer as honest as possible:

- 1) what gives me joy in my faith?
- 2) what saddens me about my faith?

Please take time during Lent to put pen to paper, placing your responses in one of the boxes. No need to sign your name but please do if you are happy to. Responses will be collected by the Parish Pastoral Council as part of our parish community response towards the Synod - another step on the Synodal Pathway.

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.

LENT 2022

Mass: There will be a second Mass each day from Tuesday to Friday throughout Lent at 6.00pm.

Stations of the Cross: will take place every Friday during Lent at 6.30pm immediately after the evening Mass. The Stations will be led by the AMM (Association of the Miraculous Medal).

Daughters of Charity 4th March AMM 25th March SVP (St Peter's Conference) Choir 11th March 1st April Parish Pastoral Council Legion of Mary 8th April 18th March

FREE ONLINE BEREAVEMENT INFORMATION

The North Dublin Bereavement Network are hosting a free online Bereavement Information evening on Thursday 10th March from 7.30pm - 8.30pm for people bereaved through any circumstance. The event will provide information about grief and the range of bereavement supports available in the local area, it will also focus on coping with significant events and anniversaries after the death of someone close. Guest speaker Niamh Fitzpatrick, a psychologist, experienced the sudden death of her sister, Capt. Dara Fitzpatrick, during an Irish Coast Guard Rescue operation in 2017. To register go to: www.hospicefoundation.ie/living-with-grief-event.

FLOWERS IN LENT

As is the usual custom, there will be no flowers on display in the Church during Lent, either on the Sanctuary or at the Shrines (except for St Patrick's Day).

LITURGICAL READINGS FOR: Sunday, 6th March 2022

FIRST READING

A reading from the Book of Deuteronomy Moses said to the people:

'The priest shall then take the pannier from your hand and lay it before the altar of the Lord your God. Then, in the sight of the Lord your God, you must make this pronouncement:

"My father was a wandering Aramaean. He went down into Egypt to find refuge there, few in numbers; but there he became a nation, great, mighty, and strong. The Egyptians ill-treated us, they gave us no peace and inflicted harsh slavery on us.

But we called on the Lord the God of our fathers. The Lord heard our voice and saw our misery, our toil and our oppression; and the Lord brought us out of Egypt with mighty hand and outstretched arm, with great terror, and with signs and wonders.

He brought us here and gave us this land, a land where milk and honey flow. Here then I bring the first-fruits of the produce of the soil that you, the Lord, have given me."

'You must then lay them before the Lord your God, and bow down in the sight of the Lord your God.'

The Word of the Lord

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Response: Be with me, O Lord, in my distress.

- 1. He who dwells in the shelter of the Most High and abides in the shade of the Almighty says to the Lord: 'My refuge, my stronghold, my God in whom I trust!'
- 2. Upon you no evil shall fall, no plague approach where you dwell. For you has he commanded his angels, to keep you in all your ways.
- They shall bear you upon their hands lest you strike your foot against a stone.
 On the lion and the viper you will tread and trample the young lion and the dragon.
- 4. His love he set on me, so 1 will rescue him protect him for he knows my name. When he calls 1 shall answer: 'I am with you.' I will save him in distress and give him glory.

SECOND READING

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Romans Scripture says: The word, that is the faith we proclaim, is very near to you, it is on your lips and in your heart. If your lips confess that Jesus is Lord and if you believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, then you will be saved. By believing from the heart you are made righteous; by confessing with your lips you are saved. When scripture says: those who believe in him will have no cause for shame, it makes no distinction between Jew and Greek: all belong to the same Lord who is rich enough, however many ask his help, for everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved.

The Word of the Lord

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Praise to you, O Christ, King of eternal glory!
Man does not live on bread alone
but on every word that comes from the mouth of God.
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GOSPEL

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke Filled with the Holy Spirit, Jesus left the Jordan and was led by the Spirit through the wilderness, being tempted there by the devil for forty days. During that time he ate nothing and at the end he was hungry. Then the devil said to him,

'If you are the Son of God, tell this stone to turn into a loaf.'
But Jesus replied,

Scripture says: Man does not live on bread alone.'

Then leading him to a height, the devil showed him in a moment of time all the kingdoms of the world and said to him.

'I will give you all this power and the glory of these kingdoms, for it has been committed to me and I give it to anyone I choose. Worship me, then, and it shall all be yours.'

But Jesus answered him,

'Scripture says: You must worship the Lord your God, and serve him alone.'

Then he led him to Jerusalem and made him stand on the parapet of the Temple.

'If you are the Son of God,' he said to him 'throw yourself down from here, for scripture says: "He will put his angels in charge of you to guard you," and again, "They will hold you up on their hands in case you hurt your foot against a stone.""

But Jesus answered him,

'It has been said: You must not put the Lord your God to the test.'

Having exhausted all these ways of tempting him, the devil left him, to return at the appointed time.

The Gospel of the Lord

COLLECTIONS - Sunday 27th Feb

Parish (1st Collection, incl. online) = € 703.38 (14th Feb, 1st Collection, incl. online) = € 120.00 (20th Feb, 1st Collection, incl. online) = € 124.00 Weekly Envelopes (incl. online) = € 573.70 Share (2nd Collection) = € 245.51

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 Anthony White (Leinster Street), Very Rev Patrick Canon Carroll, Padraig McDermott, Aoife Donegan Kennedy, Andy Bracken (formerly of Phibsborough) and Margaret McKeon (née Brennan, formerly of Kelly's Lane). 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.**