

# St Peter's Church, Phibsborough

Parish Newsletter

Fifth Sunday of Easter: 15 May 2022

# MASS INTENTIONS

# 5th Sunday of Easter, 15 May

John Lawrence (RD)

Rosaleen Lynch & Alice Hughes (D) Benedict, Louis & Ethel Penny (D)

Owen McDonagh (D)

Larry Whelan (20th A)

Kathleen McCabe (33rd A)

Donal Murphy (A)

Marie Fennell (A)

Billie Fennell (A)

# Monday, 16 May St Louise de Marillac

John Lawrence (RD) Moira Ryan (1st A)

#### Tuesday, 17 May

John Lawrence (RD) Rosaleen Fitzgerald (1st A) Maureen Kelly (A)

# Wednesday, 18 May St John I, Pope & Martyr

Philomena Maria Louise (8th A) Bridget Brennan (A) Holy Souls

## Thursday, 19 May

Thanksgiving

Friday, 20 May St Bernardine of Siena, Priest

Ann Byrne (A)

Saturday, 21 May SS Christopher Magalllanes, Priest, and Companions, Martyrs

Mary Breen (A)

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

## LIFT UP YOUR HEARTS

One of the loveliest exchanges at Mass comes after the offering of the gifts of bread and wine when the celebrant addresses the congregation 'Lift up your hearts' to which they respond, heartily, hopefully, 'we lift them up to the Lord.' Some congregations rise to their feet at this exchange as if to enact what they are saying. The first reading describes the apostles going from place to place 'putting new heart' into the

believers with more than a hint that they really needed a lift. The road to Heaven is a rocky one and many hardships mark the way. One of those putting new heart into the early Christian communities is Barnabas whose name means 'Son of encouragement.' Encouragement is not a bad way of summing up the mission of a be-

I give you a new commandment: Love one another as I have loved you.

John 13

liever. We all need and indeed appreciate a word of encouragement, it lifts the spirit, lightens the step and does indeed put new heart into us. It is an antidote to much of the doom and gloom that can hang over us with all that is going on in the world and the drip drip effect of all of this on morale.

Encourage - put courage into - strengthen - reassure and build up. Better to be Barnabas than borne down with discouragement and dismay, and being Barnabas, bearer of encouragement will boomerang with blessings coming back to put new hearts into us as well.

**Eamon Devlin CM PP** 

## THIS WEEK

## Monday 16 May:

- Novena in honour of Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal after 7pm Mass with the blessing and distribution of medals. Rosary begins at 6.40pm, confessions available from 6.30pm.
- Monthly meeting of the AMM (Association of the Miraculous Medal) at 7.45pm in the Frank Duff Room.

# Tuesday 17 May:

Choir practice in the Church at 8pm.

### SAFEGUARDING TRAINING

21 June: 11am - 12.30pm / 7pm - 8.30pm

As most ministries have now fully resumed in the parish, updated safeguarding training will take place for staff and volunteers on 21 June. It is a requirement for all in ministry every three years and is now overdue after the restrictions imposed during the COVID pandemic. Who should attend: priests, sacristans, house and office staff, members of choirs, ministers of the Word and Eucharist, repository staff, baptism team, members of SVP Conference and Legion of Mary Praesidium. Please arrange to attend either the morning or the evening session which will take place in St Peter's Club.

# LITURGICAL READINGS FOR: Sunday, 15 May 2022

#### FIRST READING

# A reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

Paul and Barnabas went back through Lystra and Iconium to Antioch. They put fresh heart into the disciples, encouraging them to persevere in the faith. 'We all have to experience many hardships' they said 'before we enter the kingdom of God.' In each of these churches they appointed elders, and with prayer and fasting they commended them to the Lord in whom they had come to believe. They passed through Pisidia and reached Pamphylia. Then after proclaiming the word at Perga they went down to Attalia and from there sailed for Antioch, where they had originally been commended to the grace of God for the work they had now completed. On their arrival they assembled the church and gave an account of all that God had done with them, and how he had opened the door of faith to the pagans.

The Word of the Lord.

#### **RESPONSORIAL PSALM**

# Response: I will bless your name for ever, O God my King. or Alleluia!

- 1. The Lord is kind and full of compassion, slow to anger, abounding in love. How good is the Lord to all, compassionate to all his creatures. **[R]**
- 2. All your creatures shall thank you, O Lord, and your friends shall repeat their blessing. They shall speak of the glory of your reign and declare your might, O God, to make known to men your mighty deeds and the glorious splendour of your reign [R]
- 3. Yours is an everlasting kingdom; your rule lasts from age to age. **[R]**

#### SECOND READING

# A reading from the book of the Apocalypse

I, John, saw a new heaven and a new earth; the first heaven and the first earth had disappeared now, and there was no longer any sea. I saw the holy city and the new Jerusalem, coming down from God out of heaven, as beautiful as a bride all dressed for her husband. Then I heard a loud voice call from the throne, 'You see this city? Here God lives among men. He will make his home among them; they shall be his people, and he will be their God; his name is God-with-them. He will wipe away all tears from their eyes; there will be no more death, and no more mourning or sadness. The world of the past has gone. 'Then the One sitting on the throne spoke: 'Now I am making the whole of creation new.'

The Word of the Lord.

#### **GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

Alleluia, alleluia! Jesus said: 'I give you a new commandment: love one another, just as I have loved you.' Alleluia!

#### **GOSPEL**

# A reading from the holy Gospel according to John

When Judas had gone Jesus said: 'Now has the Son of Man been glorified, and in him God has been glorified. If God has been glorified in him God will in turn glorify him in himself, and will glorify him very soon. My little children, I shall not be with you much longer. I give you a new commandment: love one another; just as I have loved you, you also must love one another. By this love you have for one another, everyone will know that you are my disciples.'

The Gospel of the Lord

# **COLLECTIONS - Sunday 8 May**

Parish (1st Collection, incl. Online)  $= \in 902.05$  Weekly Envelopes (incl. Online/Easy Payments)  $= \in 536.70$  Share (2nd Collection)  $= \in 251.11$ 

Thank you for your continued support to the parish.

# IN LOVING MEMORY

Please remember in your prayers all those who died recently especially Michael Kavanagh (formerly of Shandon Park). 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.

MASS TIMES: Monday: 10.30am & 7.00pm (Novena to our Lady of the Miraculous Medal)

Tuesday to Saturday: 10.30am

Sunday: vigil 6.30pm (Sat), 8.00am, 10.00am, 11.30am

**CONFESSIONS:** Saturday 11.00am - 12.30pm and at any other time on request

**REPOSITORY:** Monday to Thursday from 10.00am to 12.30pm