

MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday, 29 May

World Communications Day St Paul IV, pope is not celebrated this year Richard Kingston (RD) Patrick Breen (A) Rosaleen Burke (A) Pashke Pylla (A) Fran Qarraj (A)

Monday, 30 May

Blessed Martha Wiecka, virgin James Patrick Brady (SI) Peter & Alice Hayes & Annie Hughes (D) Michael, Nora & Stephen Moran (D)

Tuesday, 31 May

The Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary Wyeburn & Bridget Powell (1st A) Bríd Mooney (10th A) Holy Souls

Wednesday, 1 June

St Justin, martyr Thanksgiving Patrick Hehir (D)

Thursday, 2 June

Ss Marcellinus & Peter, martyrs Holy Souls

First Friday, 3 June

St Kevin, abbot Thomas Howard (SI) John Sutton (BR) Patrick & Margaret O'Reilly (A) Brian & May Darcy (D) Martha Dorney (D)

Saturday, 4 June Ss Charles Lwanga & Companions, martyrs Special Intention

- Special Intention
- A = Anniversary
- B = Birthday BR = Birthday Remembrance
- D = Deceased
- GW = Get Well
- RD = Recently Deceased SI = Special Intention W = Wedding WA = Wedding Anniversary

MM = Months Mind

St Peter's Church, Phibsborough Parish Newsletter

The Ascension of the Lord: 29 May 2022

AFTER FORTY DAYS ...

Today, Jesus Christ our Lord went up to heaven: let our hearts go up with him.

Listen to the words of St Paul: 'If you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. Set your minds on things that are above, not on things that are on earth.' just as he ascended without leaving us, so too we are already with him in heaven, although his promises have not yet been fulfilled in our bodies.

Christ is now raised above the heavens, but he still experiences on earth whatever sufferings we his members feel. Why then do we not exert ourselves on earth so as to be happy with him already in heaven through the faith, hope and charity which unite us with him? Christ, while in heaven, is also with us; and we, while on earth, are also with him. He is with us in his godhead and his power and his love; and we, though we cannot be with him in godhead as he is with us, can be with him in our love, our love for him.

St Augustine of Hippo

SAFEGUARDING TRAINING

Tuesday 21 June: 11.00am - 12.30pm / 7.00pm - 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 the morning or the evening session which will take place in St Peter's Club.

PILGRIMAGES

Lough Derg: Pilgrimage season returns fully this year beginning in June. St Oliver Plunkett Pilgrimages on 3rd June, 1st July and 12th August departing from Parnell Square outside Hugh Lane Municipal Art Gallery at 8.00am sharp. Advance booking essential to secure seat on bus. Cost €120 (OAPs & Students with ID card €110).

Lourdes: Dublin Diocesan Pilgrimage resumes in September and will be led by Most Rev Dermot Farrell, Archbishop of Dublin. All bookings should be made through Joe Walsh Tours Office, 69 O'Connell Street, Dublin 1. Tel (01) 241 0800. Cost from €759 per person sharing.

Parishioners are invited to become an Associate Member of the Pilgrimage by being enrolled and making a voluntary offering which will be used to help defray the expenses of pilgrims who are sick. The names of enrolled associates will be placed at the Grotto during the Pilgrimage. Mass will be offered for all Associate Members at the Grotto in Lourdes.

BLESSING SERVICE AT ANGELS GARDEN

The Annual Blessing Service in Glasnevin Cemetery in the Old Angels Garden takes place today Sunday, 29th May at 3.00pm.

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 Monday from 6.30pm onwards
REPOSITORY:	(in Office) Monday to Thursday from 10.00am to 12.00pm (in Church) Mon evening, Fri morning, Sat evening, Sun morning

FIRST READING

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles

In my earlier work, Theophilus, I dealt with everything Jesus had done and I taught from the beginning until the day he gave his instructions to the apostles he had chosen through the Holy Spirit, and was taken up to heaven. He had shown himself alive to them after his Passion by many demonstrations: for forty days he had continued to appear to them and tell them about the kingdom of God. When he had been at table with them, he had told them not to leave Jerusalem, but to wait there for what the Father had promised.

'It is' he had said 'what you have heard me speak about: John baptised with water but you, not many days from now, will be baptised with the Holy Spirit.'

Now having met together, they asked him,

'Lord, has the time come? Are you going to restore the kingdom to Israel?'

He replied,

'It is not for you to know times or dates that the Father has decided by his own authority, but you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you, and then you will be my witnesses not only in Jerusalem but throughout Judaea and Samaria, and indeed to the ends of the earth'.

As he said this he was lifted up while they looked on, and a cloud took him from their sight. They were still staring into the sky when suddenly two men in white were standing near them and they said,

'Why are you men from Galilee standing here looking into the sky? Jesus who has been taken up from you into heaven, this same Jesus will come back in the same way as you have seen him go there.'

The Word of the Lord.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Response: God goes up with shouts of joy; the Lord goes up with trumpet blast.

1. All peoples, clap your hands, cry to God with shouts of joy! For the Lord, the Most High, we must fear, great king over all the earth.

2. God goes up with shouts of joy; the Lord goes up with trumpet blast. Sing praise for God, sing praise, sing praise to our king, sing praise.

COLLECTIONS - Sunday 22 May

Parish (1st Collection, incl. Online)	= € 914.00
Weekly Envelopes (incl. Online/Easy Payments)	= € 463.70
Share (2nd Collection)	= € 244.80

Thank you for your continued support to the parish.

3. God is king of all the earth. Sing praise with all your skill. God is king over the nations; God reigns on his holy throne.

SECOND READING

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Ephesians May the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, give you a spirit of wisdom and perception of what is revealed, to bring you to full knowledge of him.

May he enlighten the eyes of your mind so that you can see what hope his call holds for you, what rich glories he has promised the saints will inherit and how infinitely great is the power that he has exercised for us believers. This you can tell from the strength of his power at work in Christ, when he used it to raise him from the dead and to make him sit at his right hand, in heaven, far above every Sovereignty, Authority, Power, or Domination, or any other name that can be named not only in this age but also in the age to come. He has put all things under his feet and made him, as the ruler of everything, the head of the Church; which is his body, the fullness of him who fills the whole creation.

The word of the Lord.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Allelluia, alleluia!

Go, make disciples of all the nations; I am with you always; yes, to the end of time. Alleluia!

GOSPEL

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke Jesus said to his disciples:

'You see how it is written that the Christ would suffer and on the third day rise from the dead, and that, in his name, repentance for the forgiveness of sins would be preached to all the nations, beginning from Jerusalem. You are witnesses to this.

'And now I am sending down to you what the Father has promised. Stay in the city then, until you are clothed with the power from on high.'

Then he took them out as far as the outskirts of Bethany, and lifting up his hands he blessed them. Now as he blessed them, he withdrew from them and was carried up to heaven. They worshipped him and then went back to Jerusalem full of joy; and they were continually in the Temple praising God. The Gospel of the Lord.

IN LOVING MEMORY

Please remember in your prayers all those who died recently especially Michael Kavanagh (formerly of Shandon Park), Kathleen Bergin (St Peter's Square) and Phyllis Doddy (Drumcondra).

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.