



St Peter's Church, Phibsborough

Parish Newsletter

Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time: 28 August 2022

MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday, 28 August

St Augustine, bishop & doctor of the Church is not celebrated this year

Jim Foley (A)

Tom O'Beirne (A)

Tony & Eileen Tracey (A)

Tony O'Malley (A)

Monday, 29 August

The Passion of St John the Baptist

Jean Avery (SI)

Tuesday, 30 August

St Fiacre, monk

Bl. Ghebre Michael, priest & martyr

Wednesday, 31 August

St Aidan of Lindisfarne, bishop & missionary

Jim Foley (A)

Dillie Heaslip (BR)

Thursday, 1 September

World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation

Catherine (Rennie) Cowman (A)

First Friday, 2 September

Bl. Louis Joseph François & Companions (John Henry Gruyer, John Charles Caron, Nicholas Colin & Peter René Rogue), Vincentian priests & martyrs

Brian & May Darcy (D)

Kathleen, John & David Cullen (D)

Conleth Hayes (A)

Saturday, 3 September

St Gregory the Great, pope & doctor of the Church

EVERYONE WHO HUMBLER HIMSELF WILL BE EXALTED.

HUMILITY, literally, means being down to earth. Humility is an attractive human quality. However, that humility may be confused with either humiliation or with low-self esteem can explain the resistance people feel towards humility. Even in English, the derivation from Latin *humus* (ground/earth) helps us see that being humble means being down to earth, realistic, honest.

Our First Reading draws from the treasure-trove of Jewish Wisdom literature (Ecclesiasticus): *The greater you are, the more you should behave humbly.* Humility abandons self-importance and allows God to act recognising that we can do nothing.

In the Gospel, Jesus is at the home of a senior Pharisee, a dinner table of the social elite. Though invited to this exclusive table, Jesus is being watched. *They watch him closely* A hostile environment.

Despite this environment, Jesus uses his favoured communication technique: the parable. Jesus' parables have two elements: an everyday, familiar element, and a less familiar, spiritual element applying to our relationship with God = Kingdom of God. Jesus wants us to look at the spiritual element.

Jesus notices invited guests jockeying their way to the top table and introduces a Kingdom value. In God's Kingdom the truly humble are those who happily take a lower place. These will be lifted up to God ("exalted" as Jesus was at Calvary)

The humble person lives with realistic self-acceptance before God, he is conscious of his limitations and of his true status as a sinful creature. He is poor in spirit.

Jesus praised true humility :

- Come to me all who struggle and are heavy burdened ...
- Learn of me, I am gentle and humble of heart ...
- Blessed are the poor in spirit ...

For the truly humble: "yours is the Kingdom of Heaven".

Everyone who humbles himself will be exalted.

Fr Pdraig Regan CM

VINCENTIAN FAMILY PILGRIMAGE TO KNOCK

Saturday, 10 September 2022

The parish pilgrimage to Knock is **now full**. All payments need to be made this week. Please contact the parish office Monday to Friday @ 01 838 9708 or call in 10am - 12pm. We have a waiting list if anyone is interested in case of cancellations.

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, Sat evening, Sun morning

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| 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 |

LITURGICAL READINGS FOR: Sunday, 28 August 2022

FIRST READING

A reading from the book of Ecclesiasticus

My son, be gentle in carrying out your business, and you will be better loved than a lavish giver. The greater you are, the more you should behave humbly, and then you will find favour with the Lord; for great though the power of the Lord is, he accepts the homage of the humble. There is no cure for the proud man's malady, since an evil growth has taken root in him. The heart of a sensible man will reflect on parables, an attentive ear is the sage's dream

The Word of the Lord.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Response: *In your goodness, O God,
you prepared a home for the poor*

1. The just shall rejoice at the presence of God, they shall exult and dance for joy. O sing to the Lord, make music to his name; rejoice in the Lord, exult at his presence [R]
2. Father of the orphan, defender of the widow, such is God in his holy place. God gives the lonely a home to live in; he leads the prisoners forth into freedom. [R]
3. You poured down, O God, a generous rain: when your people were starved you gave them new life. It was there that your people found a home, prepared in your goodness, O God, for the poor [R]

SECOND READING

A reading from the letter to the Hebrews

What you have come to is nothing known to the senses: not a blazing fire, or a gloom turning to total darkness, or a storm; or trumpeting thunder or the great voice speaking which made everyone that heard it beg that no more should be said to them. But what you have come to is Mount Zion and the city of the living God, the heavenly Jerusalem where the millions of angels

have gathered for the festival, with the whole Church in which everyone is a 'firstborn son' and a citizen of heaven. You have come to God himself, the supreme Judge, and been placed with spirits of the saints who have been made perfect; and to Jesus, the mediator who brings a new covenant.

The Word of the Lord.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia! Shoulder my yoke and learn from me, for I am gentle and humble in heart. Alleluia!

GOSPEL

A reading from the Gospel according to Luke

On a sabbath day Jesus had gone for a meal to the house of one of the leading Pharisees; and they watched him closely. He then told the guests a parable, because he had noticed how they picked the places of honour. He said this, 'When someone invites you to a wedding feast, do not take your seat in the place of honour. A more distinguished person than you may have been invited, and the person who invited you both may come and say, "Give up your place to this man." And then, to your embarrassment, you would have to go and take the lowest place. No; when you are a guest make your way to the lowest place and sit there, so that, when your host comes, he may say, "My friend, move up higher." In that way, everyone with you at the table will see you honoured. For everyone who exalts himself will be humbled, and the man who humbles himself will be exalted.' Then he said to his host, 'When you give a lunch or a dinner, do not ask your friends, brothers, relations or rich neighbours, for fear they repay your courtesy by inviting you in return. No; when you have a party, invite the poor, the crippled, the lame, the blind; that they cannot pay you back means that you are fortunate, because repayment will be made to you when the virtuous rise again.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

LEGION OF MARY CENTENARY CONCERT

To mark the 100th year anniversary of the Legion of Mary, a concert will take place in the historical surroundings of St Patrick's Cathedral, Dublin, on **Saturday, September 3**. Special guests include award winning soprano Celine Byrne, the Dublin Concert Band, Lorraine Mathews. Book at Eventbrite. Tickets are €30 (premium – seating in reserved area) and €20 (general admission). For more information contact: Eileen 087 230 5946 / Patrick 085 144 2423

COLLECTIONS - Sunday 21st August

Parish (1st Collection, incl. Online)	= €1,137.59
Weekly Envelopes (incl. Online/Easy Payments)	= € 636.70
Share (2nd Collection)	= € 327.05

Thank you for your continued support to the parish.

CHRIST THE KING COMMUNITY DAY CENTRE

BREIGA ROAD CABRA, DUBLIN 7 - TEL 8682169/ 0872889130

New weekly activity programme. All welcome.

Monday 10.30am to 12 noon

Mindfulness course for 6 weeks commencing 5th September 2022

Monday 2.15pm to 4pm

Bingo and musical bingo from 29th August.

Tuesday 10.30am to 12 noon

Knitting and Crochet – bring wool and needles or hook – 30th August

Tuesday 2.15pm to 4pm - Friendship Group - ongoing

Wednesday 10.30am to 12 noon - Art class – date tbc.

Wednesday 2.15pm to 4pm

Sit fit exercise class with Siel Bleu instructor – 31st August

Thursday 2.15pm to 4pm - Golden Girls Group.

Friday 2nd September 10.30am to 1.30pm - open/coffee morning

drop in for a cuppa and a chat and look around the centre.