

# St Peter's Church, Phibsborough

Parish Newsletter

Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time: 25 September 2022

### **MASS INTENTIONS**

#### Sunday, 25 September

World Day of Migrants & Refugees St Finbarr, bishop is not celebrated this year

Special Intention

Natalia (SI)

Frank & Eileen Murray (A)

Trea Deeprose (A)

Roddy Tracey (A)

Patricia McCabe (A)

Rita Anderson (RD)

Pat & Mary Mongan (D)

Holy Souls

### Monday, 26 September

Ss Cosmas & Damian, martyrs

Windy Willis (40th B)

Natalia (SI)

#### Funeral - John (Sean) Flanagan RIP

Anne Murray (BR)

Máirín McDonnell (1st A)

Sheila Dunne (A)

Pat & Mary Mongan (D)

Holy Souls

### Tuesday, 27 September

St Vincent de Paul, priest, Founder of the Congregation of the Mission and of the Daughters of Charity

Natalia (SI)

Helen Rayner (A)

Pat & Mary Mongan (D)

Holy Souls

#### Wednesday, 28 September

St Wenceslaus, martyr

Ss Lawrence Ruiz & Companions, martyrs

Christina O'Donohoe (RD)

Joan Dinneen (A)

Mary & Paddy Finn (A)

## Thursday, 29 September

Ss Michael, Gabriel & Raphael, Archangels

Margaret Burke (A)

Bernadette McHugh (A)

McHugh Family (D)

## Friday, 30 September

St Jerome, priest & doctor of the Church

Brian & May Darcy (D)

Kathleen, John & David Cullen (D)

Holy Souls

### Saturday, 1 October

St Thérèse of the Child Jesus, virgin & doctor of the Church Holy Souls

## **DIVES AND LAZARUS: A LOST OPPORTUNITY**

The *Beano* comic book used sell, in its early days, for 2d (old money). Some years ago an edition from 1939 sold for £4,264 (sterling money). It was only one of 11 copies believed to be in existence.

This goes to show that what seems of little importance or value today may be very valuable tomorrow. It is good to prize things now, rather than regret later. That is deeply true of the rich man (DIVES) in the gospel today. He didn't put much value on Lazarus, the beggar at his doorstep. Later, when he sees how important Lazarus is (now in Abraham's bosom), he comes to realise his error. But it's too late.

This is not an easy Parable. Dives may not have harmed Lazarus during his lifetime; but Dives' heartless indifference to Lazarus' plight was evil enough to land him in what we call hell.

If we love money/possessions more than God, we will never have a genuine, close friendship with God. The contrary is true: if we truly love God more than money/possessions, then we should use what we own to serve God and humanity.

Dives had an opportunity to serve God and Lazarus. He missed it.

Fr Padraig Regan CM

**A NEW BOOK - 'LIFE IN ABUNDANCE**' by **Fr Eamon Flanagan CM** is available at the Repository or Reception. The book is meant to assist us to lead a good and full life of the Church. Price reduced to  $\in$ 7.00.

### **SEPTEMBER - VINCENTIAN MONTH**

This weekend a further 3 branches of the Vincentian Family will be presented to us in reflections at Masses. Ms Madeleine Frissung, VLM (Vincentian Lay Missionaries), will speak at 6.30pm Mass, Sr Claire Sweeney, Association of the Miraculous Medal will speak at 10.00am Mass and Ms Caroline O'Connell, DePaul, will speak at 11.30am Mass.

## FEAST OF ST VINCENT DE PAUL - Tuesday 27th Sept.

Mass will be celebrated at 7.30pm followed by refreshments. There will be **NO** 10.30am Mass on Tuesday 27th. A collection will be taken up to support the work of St Peter's Conference of the Vincent de Paul Society and the Ladies of Charity in the parish.

#### SAFEGUARDING TRAINING

For all who were unable to attend the sessions in June, it will take place on Saturday 15th October in St Peter's Club beginning at 10.00am. Please contact parish office to register your intention to attend. This training is for all who have any ministry in the parish.

# LITURGICAL READINGS FOR: Sunday, 25 September 2022

#### FIRST READING

A reading from the Book of Amos

The almighty Lord says this:

Woe to those ensconced so snugly in Zion

and to those who feel so safe on the mountain of Samaria.

Lying on ivory beds

and sprawling on their divans,

they dine on lambs from the flock,

and stall-fattened veal;

they bawl to the sound of the harp,

they invent new instruments of music like David.

they drink wine by the bowlful,

and use the finest oil for anointing themselves,

but about the ruin of Joseph they do not care at all.

That is why they will be the first to be exiled;

the sprawlers' revelry is over.

The Word of the Lord.

#### **RESPOSORIAL PSALM Ps 145**

**Response:** My soul, give praise to the Lord.

- 1. It is the Lord who keeps faith for ever, who is just to those who are oppressed. It is he who gives bread to the hungry, the Lord, who sets prisoners free.
- 2. It is the Lord who gives sight to the blind, who raises up those who are bowed down. It is the Lord who loves the just, the Lord, who protects the stranger.
- 3. He upholds the widow and orphan but thwarts the path of the wicked. The Lord will reign for ever, Zion's God, from age to age.

#### **SECOND READING**

A reading from the first letter of St Paul to Timothy

But, as a man dedicated to God, you must aim to be saintly and religious, filled with faith and love, patient and gentle. Fight the good fight of the faith and win for yourself the eternal life to which you were called when you made your profession and spoke up for the truth in front of many witnesses. Now, before God the source of all life and before Christ, who spoke up as a witness for the truth in front of Pontius Pilate, I put to you the duty of doing all that you have been told, with no faults or failures, until the Appearing of our Lord Jesus Christ, who at the due time will be revealed by God, the blessed and only Ruler of all,

the King of kings and the Lord of lords,

who alone is immortal,

whose home is in inaccessible light,

whom no man has seen and no man is able to see:

to him be honour and everlasting power. Amen.

The Word of the Lord.

#### **GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

Alleluia, alleluia!

The sheep that belong to me listen to my voice, says the Lord,

I know them and they follow me.

Alleluia!

Or

Alleluia, alleluia!

Lord Jesus was rich, but he became poor for your sake,

to make you rich out of his poverty.

Alleluia!

#### **GOSPEL**

A reading from the Gospel according to Luke

Jesus said to the Pharisees:

'There was a rich man who used to dress in purple and fine linen and feast magnificently every day. And at his gate there lay a poor man called Lazarus, covered with sores, who longed to fill himself with the scraps that fell from the rich man's table. Dogs even came and licked his sores. Now the poor man died and was carried away by the angels to the bosom of Abraham. The rich man also died and was buried. 'In his torment in Hades he looked up and saw Abraham a long way off with Lazarus in his bosom. So he cried out, "Father Abraham, pity me and send Lazarus to dip the tip of his finger in water and cool my tongue, for I am in agony in these flames". "My son," Abraham replied "remember that during your life good things came your way, just as bad things came the way of Lazarus. Now he is being comforted here while you are in agony. But that is not all: between us and you a great gulf has been fixed, to stop anyone, if he wanted to, crossing from our side to yours, and to stop any crossing from your side to ours." 'The rich man replied, "Father, I beg you then to send Lazarus to my

father's house, since I have five brothers, to give them warning so that they do not come to this place of torment too". "They have Moses and the prophets," said Abraham "let them listen to them." "Ah no, father Abraham," said the rich man "but if someone comes to them from the dead, they will repent." Then Abraham said to him, "If they will not listen either to Moses or to the prophets, they will not be convinced even if someone should rise from the dead"."

The Gospel of the Lord.

## IN LOVING MEMORY

Please remember in your prayers all those who died recently especially John (Sean) Flanagan (Avondale Avenue), Breda Malone and Kay O'Sullivan.

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.** 

## **COLLECTIONS - Sunday 18th September**

Parish (1st Collection, incl. Online) = €1,017.69Envelopes (Online/Easy Payments) = €716.70Crosscare (2nd Collection) = €688.49Thank you for your continued support to the parish.

"Go to the poor: you will find God."

St Vincent de Paul

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 12.30pm

(in Church) Mon evening, Fri morning, Sat evening, Sun morning

