



St Peter's Church, Phibsborough

Parish Newsletter

Second Sunday in Ordinary Time: 15 January 2023

MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday, 15 January

St Ita, virgin is not celebrated this year

- Eileen Bolger (MM)
- Sheila Byrne (10th A)
- Noel Lawlor (A)
- Michael & John O'Connor (A)
- Margaret Devine (A)
- Patrick & Mary Anne McEvoy (D)

Monday, 16 January

St Fursa, abbot & missionary

- Noel (SI)
- Tom Pidgeon (A)
- Martin Family (D)
- Kelly Family (D)

Tuesday, 17 January

St Anthony, abbot

- Thanksgiving
- Nuala Daly (A)
- Kathleen & James Mangan (A)

Wednesday, 18 January

Week of Prayer for Christian Unity begins today

- Lucy, Clare & Teresa Redmond (SI)
- Kathleen McMahon (A)
- Holy Souls

Thursday, 19 January

- Florence Costelloe (GW)
- Pauline, Anne, Jack & Dorothy Redmond (D)
- Holy Souls

Friday, 20 January

St Fabian, pope & martyr

- St Sebastian, martyr*
- Michael Grehan (A)
- Kathleen, John & David Cullen (D)

Saturday, 21 January

St Agnes, virgin & martyr

- Cardinal George Pell (RD)
- Tom Nash (D)

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

YES I HAVE SEEN AND I AM THE WITNESS THAT HE IS THE CHOSEN ONE OF GOD (*John 1:34*)

Sometimes if a film is particularly successful, there can be a sequel - part 2 and sometimes part 3. There were three films called The Godfather, eight Harry Potter movies and nine Star Wars (3 trilogies).

Last Sunday we celebrated the baptism of Jesus. Today's readings are a sequel, another account of the baptism of Jesus by John in the river Jordan - the baptism of Jesus - Part Two. Last Sunday we had St Matthew's account of the Baptism of Jesus. On this Sunday we have St John's account. St John's version sees the baptism of Jesus through the eyes of John the Baptist. *Yes I have seen and I am the witness that he is the Chosen One of God.*

John the Baptist is the last of the prophets of the Old Testament. *We know his father was Zechariah and his mother was Elizabeth. People from Jerusalem flocked to hear him preach. He lived in the desert near the Dead Sea, south of Jerusalem.*

John preached a baptism of repentance - the need for people to change their ways and turn to God. The baptism was an outward sign of their turning to God and their willingness to change their ways.

One day, Jesus of Nazareth came to be baptized. What Jesus experienced at the baptism, was an affirmation of the kind of Messiah he was going to be - a suffering, humble Messiah. *I saw the Spirit coming down on him from Heaven like a dove and resting on him.* His baptism by John in the River Jordan marked the start of his public life of preaching and healing.

Fr Mark Noonan CM

THIS WEEK - Monday 16 Jan

The weekly Mass and Novena in honour of Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal takes place on Monday evening at 7.00pm and includes the blessing of medals, and the procession to Our Lady's Altar. Rosary begins at 6.40pm and confessions are available from 6.30pm.

CHY4 CERTS

Thank you to everyone who has been sending in their Tax Certs for 2022, you can continue to do so. However we are still looking for them for 2021. If you could please send them in to the parish office before the end of February.

ADORATION

Exposition of the Most Blessed Sacrament takes place every Saturday after 10.30am Mass from 11.00am - 12.30pm (**except if there is a funeral**).

ACTIVE RETIRED

The Phibsborough Active Retired exercise classes resume on Tuesday 17th January at 3.00pm in St Peter's Club. New members are always welcome.

MASS TIMES:

Mon: 10.30am & 7pm (Novena to our Lady of the Miraculous Medal)

Tue to Sat: 10.30am. **Sun:** vigil 6.30pm (Sat), 8am, 10am, 11.30am

CONFESSIONS:

Sat 11am - 12.30pm and at any other time on request.

Mon from 6.30pm onwards

REPOSITORY:

(in Office) Mon to Thurs from 10am to 12.30pm

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

LITURGICAL READINGS FOR: Sunday, 15 January 2023

FIRST READING

A reading from the book of the Prophet Isaiah

The Lord said to me,
'You are my servant Israel in whom I shall be glorified';
I was honoured in the eyes of the Lord, my God was my strength.
And now the Lord has spoken, he who formed me in the womb to
be his servant,
to bring Jacob back to him, to gather Israel to him:
'It is not enough for you to be my servant,
to restore the tribes of Jacob and bring back the survivors of Israel;
I will make you the light of the nations
so that my salvation may reach to the ends of the earth.'
The Word of the Lord.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Response: Here I am, Lord! I come to do your will.

1. I waited, I waited for the Lord
and he stooped down to me;
he heard my cry.
He put a new song into my mouth,
praise of our God.
2. You do not ask for sacrifice
and offerings, but an open ear.
You do not ask for holocaust
and victim. Instead, here am I.
3. In the scroll of the book it stands
written that I should do your will.
My God, I delight in your law
in the depth of my heart.
4. Your justice I have proclaimed
in the great assembly.
My lips I have not sealed;
you know it, O Lord.

SECOND READING

A reading from the second letter of St Paul to the Corinthians

I, Paul, appointed by God to be an apostle,
together with brother Sosthenes,
send greetings to the church of God in Corinth,

to the holy people of Jesus Christ,
who are called to take their place
among all the saints everywhere
who pray to our Lord Jesus Christ;
for he is their Lord no less than ours.
May God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ
send you grace and peace.
The Word of the Lord.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, Alleluia!
Blessings on the King who comes,
in the name of the Lord!
Peace in heaven and glory in the
highest heavens!
Alleluia!

Or

Alleluia, Alleluia!
The Word was made flesh and lived among us;
to all who did accept him he gave power to become
children of God.
Alleluia!

GOSPEL

A reading from the Gospel according to John

Seeing Jesus coming towards him, John said,
'Look, there is the lamb of God that takes away the sin of the
world. This is the one I spoke of when I said: A man is coming after
me who ranks before me because he existed before me. I did not
know him myself, and yet it was to reveal him to Israel that I came
baptising with water.'

John also declared, 'I saw the Spirit coming down on him from
heaven like a dove and resting on him. I did not know him myself,
but he who sent me to baptise with water had said to me,
"The man on whom you see the Spirit come down and rest is the
one who is going to baptise with the Holy Spirit."
Yes, I have seen and I am the witness that he is the Chosen One
of God.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

COLLECTIONS - Sunday 8 January

Parish (1st Collection, incl. Online)	=	€1,159.65
Envelopes (Online/Easy Payments)	=	€ 777.70
Share (2nd Collection)	=	€ 266.87

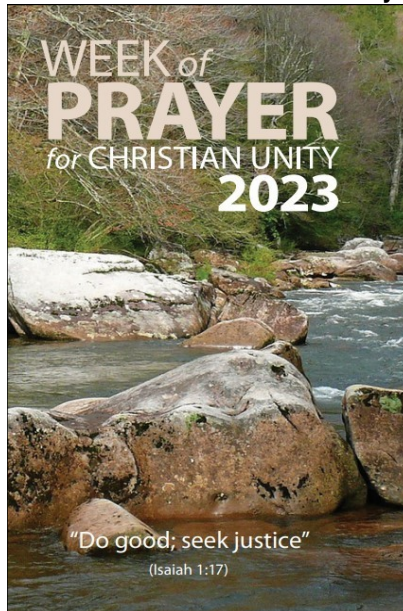
Thank you for your support to the parish.

IN LOVING MEMORY

Please remember in your prayers all those who died
recently especially Carmel McGlynn (Leslie's Buildings)
and Vincent O'Sullivan (formerly of Norfolk Road).

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.

Wed 18th - Wed 25th January



RESPONSES AT MASS

Leaflets are now available for those
wishing to familiarise themselves
with Mass responses in English.
Please collect one in the Sacristy.

CAMINO DE SANTIAGO

Have you ever dreamed of doing the
Camino de Santiago?

Breakthrough Cancer Research are
taking on the Camino Ingles from
the 15th - 22nd May 2023. Enjoy
this amazing adventure with our
experienced guide and help us
Make More Survivors. For details
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