



St Peter's Church, Phibsborough

Parish Newsletter

Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time: 29 January 2023

MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday, 29 January

Austin Moore (A)

Mary Murphy (A)

Joseph & Mary Hannon (A)

Monday, 30 January

St Aidan, bishop

Bl. Margaret Ball & Francis Taylor, martyrs

Brigid Flanagan and her infant son

Kody (RD)

Beth Lazroe (RD)

Daniel & Mary Gibbons (A)

Tuesday, 31 January

St John Bosco, priest

Special Intention

Wednesday, 1 February

St Brigid, Abbess, Secondary Patron of Ireland

Bl. Mary Ann Vaillot & Odile Baumgarten, virgins & martyrs

Mary Finn (A)

Thursday, 2 February

The Presentation of the Lord (Candlemas)

World Day for Consecrated Life

Frank Ecock (A)

First Friday, 3 February

St Blaise, bishop & martyr

St Ansgar, bishop

Bl. Josephine Nicoli, virgin

Niall & Paula Hannon (A)

Tom Mongan (A)

William Anderson (A)

Jimmy Finnegan (A)

Kathleen, John & David Cullen (D)

Saturday, 4 February

Fr Mícheál Mac Gréil SJ (RD)

Charles & Agnes Russell (D)

CHRIST IS PRESENT IN HIS CHURCH

Christ is always present in his Church, especially in her liturgical celebrations. He is present in the sacrifice of the Mass not only in the person of his minister, 'the same now offering, through the ministry of priests, who formerly offered himself on the cross', but especially in the Eucharistic species. By his power he is present in the sacraments so that when anybody baptizes it is really Christ himself who baptizes. He is present in his word since it is he himself who speaks when the holy scriptures are read in the Church. Lastly, he is present when the Church prays and sings, for he has promised 'Where two or three are gathered together in my name there am I in the midst of them.'

**Constitution on the Sacred Liturgy
of the Second Vatican Council**

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION PREPARATION

Preparation for the Sacraments of First Penance and First Holy Communion for children and parents resumes on Sunday 29th January at 12.15pm after 11.30am Mass. Thankyou to the parish catechists who make this possible. An after-school club for children preparing for the Sacraments will take place in St Peter's School on Wednesdays at 2.30pm on a fortnightly basis.

FEAST OF THE PRESENTATION OF THE LORD

(Candlemas) takes place on Thursday next, 2nd February. Parishioners are invited to bring candles and place them in the crib to be blessed during 10.30am Mass.

Friday 3rd February is the memorial of St Blaise, blessing of throats will take place during 10.30am Mass.

PARISH SACRISTAN VACANCY

St Peter's Parish is currently recruiting for a part-time sacristan. Please see details on the notice board at the Cabra Road entrance and on our website at: www.stpetersphibsboro.ie. All applications by Friday 10th February.

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, 29 January 2023

FIRST READING

A reading from the book of the Prophet Zephaniah

Seek the Lord, all you, the humble of the earth, who obey his commands.

Seek integrity, seek humility: you may perhaps find shelter on the day of the anger of the Lord.

In your midst I will leave a humble and lowly people, and those who are left in Israel will seek refuge in the name of the Lord.

They will do no wrong, will tell no lies; and the perjured tongue will no longer be found in their mouths.

But they will be able to graze and rest with no one to disturb them.

The Word of the Lord.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Response: How happy are the poor in spirit;
theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

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,
the Lord, who protects the stranger
and upholds the widow and orphan.

3. It is the Lord who loves the just
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 the Corinthians

Take yourselves, brothers, at the time when you were called:
how many of you were wise in the ordinary sense of the word,
how many were influential people, or came from noble families?
No, it was to shame the wise that God chose what is foolish by
human reckoning, and to shame what is strong that he chose
what is weak by human reckoning; those whom the world thinks

common and contemptible are the ones that God has chosen –
those who are nothing at all to show up those who are every-
thing. The human race has nothing to boast about to God, but
you, God has made members of Christ Jesus and by God's
doing he has become our wisdom, and our virtue, and our holi-
ness, and our freedom. As scripture says: if anyone wants to
boast, let him boast about the Lord.
The Word of the Lord.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, Alleluia!

Blessed are you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth,
for revealing the mysteries of the kingdom to mere children.

Alleluia!

Or

Alleluia, Alleluia!

Rejoice and be glad: your reward will be great in Heaven.

Alleluia!

GOSPEL

A reading from the Gospel according to Matthew

Seeing the crowds, Jesus went up the hill. There he sat down
and was joined by his disciples. Then he began to speak. This
is what he taught them:

'How happy are the poor in spirit; theirs is the kingdom of heav-

en.

Happy the gentle: they shall have the earth for their heritage.

Happy those who mourn: they shall be comforted.

Happy those who hunger and thirst for what is right: they shall

be satisfied.

Happy the merciful: they shall have mercy shown them.

Happy the pure in heart: they shall see God.

Happy the peacemakers: they shall be called sons of God.

Happy those who are persecuted in the cause of right:

theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

'Happy are you when people abuse you and persecute you and

speak all kinds of calumny against you on my account. Rejoice

and be glad, for your reward will be great in heaven; this is how

they persecuted the prophets before you.

The Gospel of the Lord.

COLLECTIONS - Sunday 22 January

Parish (1st Collection, incl. Online) = €1,117.56

Envelopes (Online/Easy Payments) = € 550.70

Share (2nd Collection) = € 235.36

Thank you for your support to the parish.

RESPONSES AT MASS

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

ST BRIGID'S CROSS

St Brigid's Cross is typically woven on 1st
February, her feast day. Hanging a Brigid's
Cross from the rafters of your house was
believed to bring the blessing and protection
of the saint for the remainder of the year. In
addition to the Shamrock and the Celtic
Harp, Brigid's Cross is a National Symbol of
Ireland.



IN LOVING MEMORY

Please remember in your prayers all those who died
recently especially Brigid Flanagan and her infant son
Kody (Kells, Co. Meath), Denis Buckley (formerly of
Phibsborough), Collins Akintola (Phibsborough), Carmel
McGlynn and Vincent 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.**

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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