



St Peter's Church, Phibsborough

Parish Newsletter

Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time: 25 June 2023

MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday, 25 June

Special Intention

John Gaffney (BR)

May Brennan (BR)

Joan Clarke (A)

Tom Martin (A)

Fionn Cullen (A)

Filip Janecek (RD)

Noreen Horgan (RD)

Monday, 26 June

Bl. Mary Magdalene Fontaine, Mary F. Lanel, Teresa M. Fantou, Joanne Gerard, Margaret Rutan & Companions, virgins & martyrs

Funeral: Silvana Miller (née Coppola) RIP

Liam Daly (MM)

Milo Connolly (MM)

Joseph Hayes (BR)

Fr Kevin Scallon CM (A)

Tuesday, 27 June

St Cyril of Alexandria, bishop & doctor of the Church

Special Intention

Wednesday, 28 June

St Irenaeus, bishop & martyr

Special Intention

Joseph & Josephina Whelan (A)

Thursday, 29 June

Ss Peter & Paul, Apostles

Special Intention

Friday, 30 June

The First Martyrs of the Holy Roman Church

Special Intention

May Downes (BR)

Kathleen, John & David Cullen (D)

Saturday, 1 July

St Oliver Plunkett, bishop & martyr

Special Intention

Funeral: Margaret (Peg) Skeffington RIP

A university chaplain observes:

Students have a zest for life, an energy and colour that I envy. But inside of all this zest and energy, I notice too that many of them lack hope. Why? They don't have a big story, a vision, a meta-narrative that could allow them see beyond the ups and downs of their everyday lives. When their health, relationships, and studies are going well, they feel happy and full of hope; but the reverse is also true. When things aren't going well the bottom falls out of their world. They don't have anything to give them a vision beyond the present moment. They get depressed.

In essence, the chaplain is describing "the peace that this world can give us." At His Last Supper Jesus contrasted two kinds of peace: a peace that he leaves us and a peace the world gives us.

They are different.

The peace the world gives us is not negative or bad peace. It is real and it is good, but it is fragile and inadequate.

The peace that God gives us can overcome failure, betrayal, hatred and distress; with God, we remain peaceful, even when life is a bitch.

God who cares for sparrows also knows and values even the hairs on your head.

Fr Pdraig Regan CM

OUR PILGRIMAGE TO KNOCK...

... will take place on Saturday 9th September. Bookings will commence on Monday 14th August. Details available at the Parish Office, 838 9708 / info@stpetersphibsboro.ie.

MASS RESPONSES

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

PATRICIAN ON ST PETER AND ST PAUL

The topic this month is 'St Peter and St Paul'. Everyone is very welcome to come along to St Peter's Club on Tuesday 27th June at 7.30pm. The Patrician is organised by the Legion of Mary.

ST LAURENCE O'TOOLE ANNIVERSARY

The Archbishop of Rouen has invited the Archbishop of Dublin and its people to join him in the town of Eu in Normandy in **May 2025** for the celebration of the 800th anniversary of St Laurence O'Toole's canonisation with the Diocese of Rouen. Those interested in participating in, or organising a group for this pilgrimage celebration can contact Fr Ivan Tonge, Ringsend (ivan.tonge@gmail.com), or Fr John Flaherty, Portmarnock (john.flaherty@dublindiocese.ie), so that the planning can advance. This visit will be co-ordinated by Marian Pilgrimages.

IN LOVING MEMORY

Please remember in your prayers all those who died recently especially Silvana Miller (née Coppola - Cherrymount Park), Margaret (Peg) Skeffington and John Conlon. 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.**

LITURGICAL READINGS FOR: Sunday, 25 June 2023

FIRST READING

A reading from the book of the Prophet Jeremiah

Jeremiah said: I hear so many disparaging me,
"Terror from every side!" Denounce him! Let us denounce him!"
All those who used to be my friends watched for my downfall,
'Perhaps he will be seduced into error.
Then we will master him and take our revenge!'
But the Lord is at my side, a mighty hero;
my opponents will stumble, mastered, confounded by their failure;
everlasting, unforgettable disgrace will be theirs.
But you, Lord of Hosts, you who probe with justice, who scrutinise the
loins and heart,
let me see the vengeance you will take on them, for I have committed
my cause to you.
Sing to the Lord, praise the Lord, for he has delivered the soul of the
needy
from the hands of evil men.
The Word of the Lord.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Response: In your great love, answer me, O God.

1. It is for you that I suffer taunts,
that shame covers my face,
that I have become a stranger to my brothers,
an alien to my own mother's sons.
I burn with zeal for your house
and taunts against you fall on me.
2. This is my prayer to you,
my prayer for your favour.
In your great love, answer me, O God,
with your help that never fails:
Lord, answer, for your love is kind;
in your compassion, turn towards me.
3. The poor when they see it will be glad
and God-seeking hearts will revive;
for the Lord listens to the needy
and does not spurn his servants in their chains.
Let the heavens and the earth give him praise,
the sea and all its living creatures.

SECOND READING

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Romans

Sin entered the world through one man, and through sin death, and

*thus death has spread through the whole human race because every-
one has sinned. Sin existed in the world long before the Law was
given. There was no law and so no one could be accused of the sin of
'law-breaking'; yet death reigned over all from Adam to Moses, even
though their sin, unlike that of Adam, was not a matter of breaking a
law.*

*Adam prefigured the One to come, but the gift itself considerably out-
weighed the fall. If it is certain that through one man's fall so many
died, it is even more certain that divine grace, coming through the one
man, Jesus Christ, came to so many as an abundant free gift.*

The Word of the Lord.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

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!

Or

Alleluia, Alleluia!

The Spirit of truth will be my witness;

and you too will be my witnesses.

Alleluia!

GOSPEL

A reading from the Gospel according to Matthew

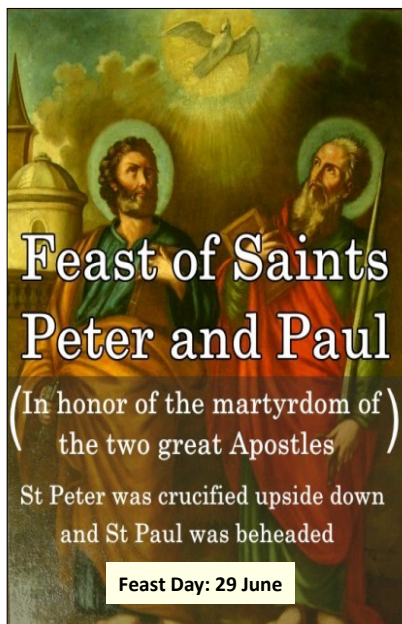
Jesus instructed the Twelve as follows:

*'Do not be afraid. For everything that is now covered will be uncov-
ered, and everything now hidden will be made clear. What I say to you
in the dark, tell in the daylight; what you hear in whispers, proclaim
from the housetops.*

*'Do not be afraid of those who kill the body but cannot kill the soul;
fear him rather who can destroy both body and soul in hell. Can you
not buy two sparrows for a penny? And yet not one falls to the ground
without your Father knowing. Why, every hair on your head has been
counted. So there is no need to be afraid; you are worth more than
hundreds of sparrows.*

*'So if anyone declares himself for me in the presence of men, I will
declare myself for him in the presence of my Father in heaven. But
the one who disowns me in the presence of men, I will disown in the
presence of my Father in heaven.*

The Gospel of the Lord.



CEMETERY SUNDAY

Glasnevin - (today) Sun-
day, 25th June at 3.00pm.

ACTIVE RETIREMENT ASSOCIATION

Bowls will take place in the
Scout Hall (behind the
Library) every Wednesday
from 2.00pm - 4.00pm. We
would welcome new mem-
bers to join us. Contact
Ursula at 087 412 2472 for
more details.



COLLECTIONS - Sunday 18 June

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| Parish (1st Collection, incl. Online) | = | €1,175.30 |
| Envelopes (Online/Easy Payments) | = | € 542.20 |
| Share (2nd Collection) | = | € 285.44 |

Thank you for your support to the parish.