



St Peter's Church, Phibsborough Parish Newsletter

Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
29 July 2018



Jesus Comes To Serve

In John's version of the feeding of the five thousand, Jesus performs this great miracle and it is the sign the crowds were waiting for. There is a lot of rich symbolism in this passage referring to Jesus as the Bread of Life, the one who will satisfy people's hunger, the great teacher. But perhaps the final lines tell us a lot about the type of 'king' Jesus really is. The crowds are so enthused by Jesus' miracles and teaching that they want to 'take him by force and make him king'. Jesus tries to discourage them from their own ideas of kingship. His kingship involves a different path to the one the crowd are expecting. Jesus is cautious and to escape the attention, perhaps to be alone and pray, he takes himself out of this situation and retreats to the mountain. It could be tempting to give in to the crowd and have them declare you as their king. Jesus' example of leadership is service in today's gospel, feeding the people, nourishing the people, meeting their needs. It also shows us how God can work with what we have to offer, no matter how little that sometimes is, he can turn this into much fruit.

A final lesson may be for those in authority of any sort, that they know when it is time to leave the people they serve, to reflect on their mission, to recharge and nourish themselves. Only in this way can they listen to the Spirit and experience the inner freedom necessary to lead as servant.

Jane Mellett
(taken from *'Intercom'*)

Mass Times

Sunday

Saturday vigil 6.30pm, Sunday 8.00am, 10.00am, 11.30am, 2.15pm (African Mass, 1st Sunday of each month) & 4.00pm (Indian Mass, 2nd Sunday of each month)

Monday - Friday

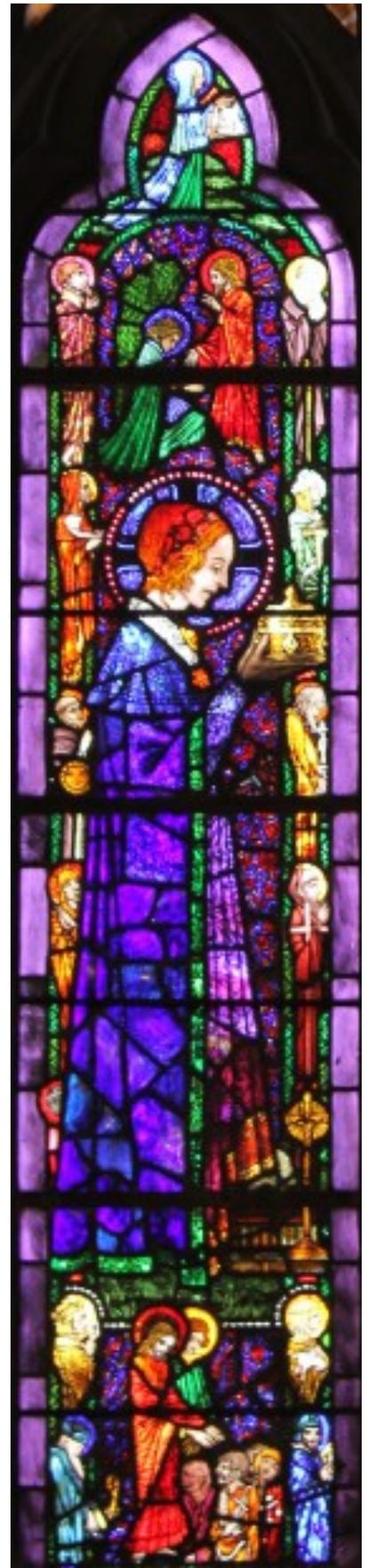
10.30am (& Monday at 7.00pm followed by Novena, except Bank Holidays)

Holy Days of Obligation

10.30am & 6.30pm

Confessions

Saturday immediately following the 10.30am Mass and at the Parish Office by request



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Monday Novena

"O Mary, conceived without sin, pray for us who have recourse to thee."

The Miraculous Medal Novena continues each Monday evening at 7.00pm. All are encouraged to attend.

Join us as we Pray for Vocations

On Thursday's after Mass the Vincentian Community here in St Peter's invite you to join with them in prayer before the Blessed Sacrament for vocations to the Vincentian Community in Ireland.

Sacred Heart Confraternity

The Arch-Confraternity of the Most Sacred Heart will gather for the celebration of Mass and devotions the First Friday of every month at 10.30am. The next one is on 3 August.

Children of Mary Sodality

The Children of Mary Sodality will gather for the celebration of Mass the Saturday after the First Friday of every month at 10.30am. The next one is on 4 August.

Legion of Mary

Meetings take place on Monday's and Wednesday's from 7.00pm in the **Frank Duff Room** (via the Parish Office)



Monday

Our Lady, Queen of All Nations

Wednesday

Our Lady of the Blessed Sacrament

Helping Young People To Grow In Faith

Are you a parent/teacher/chaplain or just interested in young people and their general faith development? If so then check out: www.shekinah.ie for details of certificate and diploma courses accredited by St Patrick's College, Maynooth. The aim of these courses is to bring the Gospel message to young people in a creative, fun and reflective way. They provide transferrable skills beneficial to parents, teachers and all who work with adolescents.

Walk While You Can

Fr Tony Coote, Parish Priest of Mount Merrion, was diagnosed with Motor Neurone Disease earlier this year. He is walking from Letterkenny - Ballydehob to create awareness and raise some much-needed funding for the Irish Motor Neurone Disease Association and Research Motor Neurone. If you have friends or relatives along that western route, perhaps you might ask them to come out and show support as the walk passes through their area. People are also very welcome to join in for an hour or two as well. The walk concludes in Ballydehob on Monday, 6 August. Full details of are available at: www.wyc.ie.

A new book on full living of our Catholic Faith is published and available in the Repository at the back of the Church. It's called 'Christ's Illumination Upon Every Heart' and is a useful companion for the World Meeting of Families and Papal visit.

Fr Eamon Flanagan CM

'Hope is the leaven that, in those first years of engagement and marriage, makes it possible to look beyond arguments, conflicts and problems and to see things in a broader perspective. It harnesses our uncertainties and concerns so that growth can take place. Hope also bids us live fully in the present, giving our all to the life of the family, for the best way to prepare a solid future and to live well in the present.'

Pope Francis, Amoris Laetitia, 219

World Meeting Of Families 2018

Papal Mass, Phoenix Park

3.00pm on Sunday, 26 August



For those of you who don't have access to a computer...

- * We have booked a bus with 40 seats & tickets (preference will be given to the elderly)
- * We also have 50 tickets for those making their own way there
- * And we have a number of tickets for those under the age of 18
- * There is a maximum of 2 tickets per person
- * Tickets will be emailed to St Peter's and will be available for collection from the Parish Office after Monday, 30 July

All tickets are free, however, there is a charge of €10 for anyone wishing to travel on the bus. Every adult and child will need a ticket. Under 18's **must** be accompanied by an adult. All tickets will be for standing sections.

In Loving Memory

Please pray for the repose of the souls of all those who died recently especially Paddy Mills (brother of Marie Mills). Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them, may they rest in peace.

Amen.



Fall Prevention Exercise Classes

Classes take place in St Peter's Club on Thursday afternoons at 3.00pm. This is Physical Therapist led, so come along and work on your balance, strength, fitness and flexibility. For more information please contact Natalie Kilroy at 087 244 9554.

St Peter's Parish

Vincentian Pilgrimage to Knock

Saturday, 8 September 2018

Cost: €50 per person

(includes coach, morning coffee & evening meal)



Bookings at the Parish Office Monday to Friday

10.00am - 12.00pm

Tel: (01) 838 9708

Bookings commence on Monday 30 July

Coach leaves St Peter's at 7.45am sharp and returns to St Peter's at approx. 10.00pm

17th Sunday in Ordinary Time

St Martha is not celebrated this year

Readings

2 Kg 4:42-44.

Ps 144:10-11, 15-18, R/ v 16.

Eph 4:1-6.

Jn 6:1-15.

Monday

St Peter Chrysologus, bishop & doctor of the Church

St Justin De Jacobis, bishop (Vincentian)

Mass with Novena Prayers 7.00pm

Legion of Mary 7.00pm

Tuesday

St Ignatius of Loyola, priest

Wednesday

St Alphonsus Liguori, bishop & doctor of the Church

Legion of Mary 7.00pm

Thursday

St Eusebius of Vercelli, bishop

St Peter Julian Eymard, priest

Prayer for Vocations directly after Mass

Friday

Sacred Heart Confraternity 10.30am

Saturday

St John Vianney, priest

Children of Mary Sodality 10.30am

18th Sunday in Ordinary Time

The Dedication of the Basilica of St Mary Major is not celebrated this year

Readings

Ex 16:2-4, 12-15.

Ps 77:3-4, 23-25, 54, R/ v 24.

Eph 4:17, 20-24.

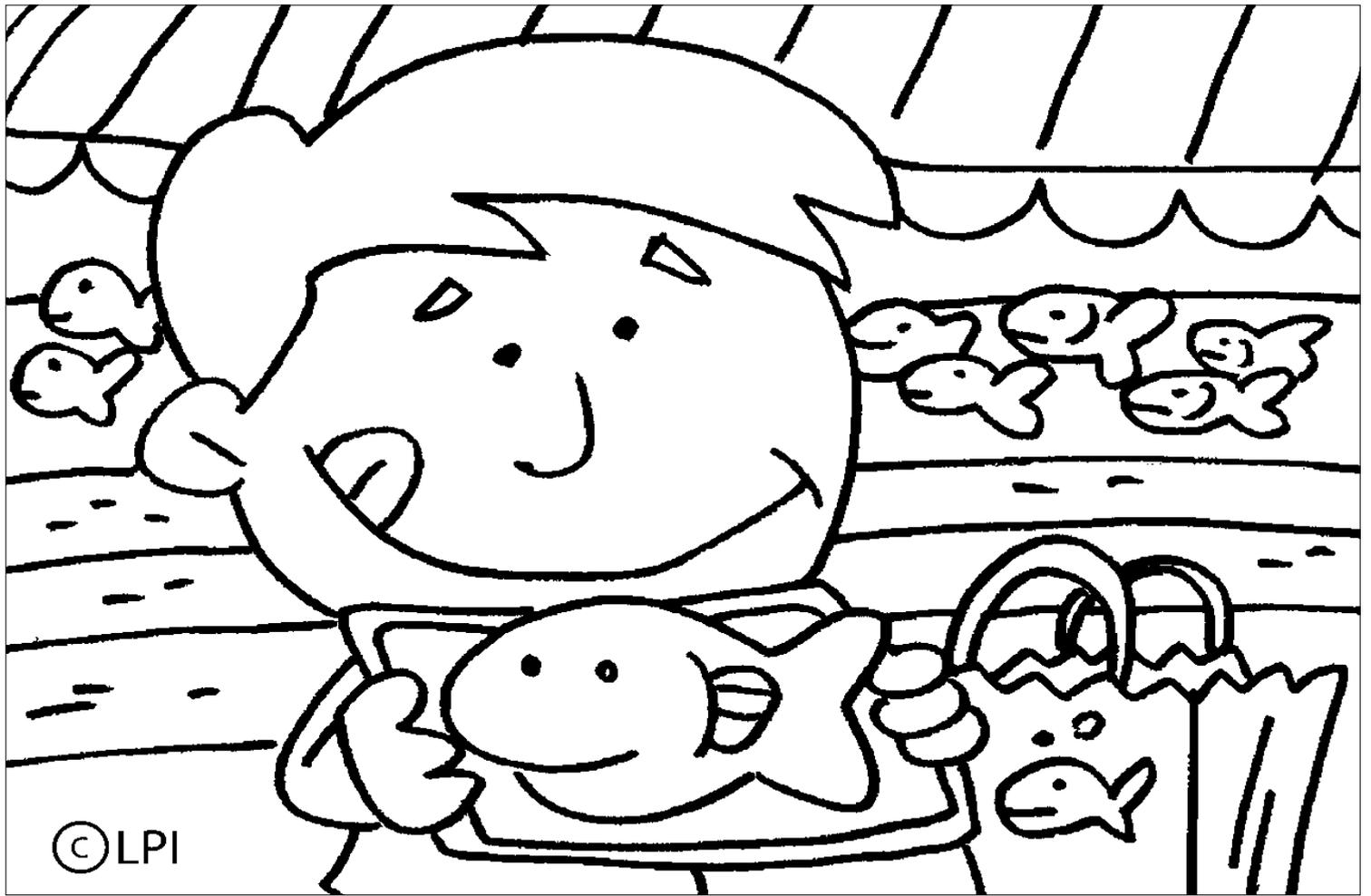
Jn 6:24-35.

Weekly Collections

Due to annual holidays the totals for last weeks collections will not be available until next week.

Church Gate Collections

Next week's collection will be in aid of essential Church repairs.



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