

Hymns for December 2019

St Peter's Church Phibsborough



St Peter's Church, Phibsborough Parish Newsletter

First Sunday of Advent
1 December 2019

1. O COME, O COME, EMMANUEL

And ransom captive Israel
Who mourns in lonely exile here
Until the Son of God appear
Rejoice Rejoice O Israel
To you shall come Emmanuel

O come thou rod of Jesse's tree
And free us all from tyranny
From depths of pain your people free
And give us peace and victory

O come, Thou Wisdom from on high,
Who orderest all things mightily;
To us the path of knowledge show,
And teach us in her ways to go.

O come, Thou Day-spring, come and cheer
Our spirits by Thine Advent here;
Disperse the gloomy clouds of night,
And death's dark shadows put to flight.

2. WAIT FOR THE LORD (TAIZE)

Wait for the Lord, his day is near
Wait for the Lord, be strong take heart
Prepare the way for the Lord
Make a straight path for Him
The Glory of the Lord shall be revealed
All the Earth will see the Lord
Rejoice in the Lord always
He is at Hand
Joy and gladness for all who seek the Lord

3. ALL ARE WELCOME

Let us build a house where love can dwell
And all can safely live,
A place where saints and children tell
How hearts learn to forgive.
Built of hopes and dreams and visions,
Rock of faith and vault of grace;
Here the love of Christ shall end divisions.
All are welcome, all are welcome,
All are welcome in this place.

Let us build a house where prophets speak,
And words are strong and true,
Where all God's children dare to seek
To dream God's reign anew.
Here the cross shall stand as witness
And as symbol of God's grace;
Here as one we claim the faith of Jesus.
All are welcome, all are welcome,
All are welcome in this place.

Let us build a house where love is found
In water, wine and wheat:
A banquet hall on holy ground
Where peace and justice meet.
Here the love of God, through Jesus,
Is revealed in time and space;
As we share in Christ the feast that frees us.
All are welcome, all are welcome,
All are welcome in this place.

Let us build a house where hands will reach
Beyond the wood and stone
To heal and strengthen, serve and teach,
And live the Word they've known.
Here the outcast and the stranger
Bear the image of God's face;
Let us bring an end to fear and danger.
All are welcome, all are welcome,
All are welcome in this place.

Let us build a house where all are named,
Their songs and visions heard
And loved and treasured, taught and claimed
As words within the Word.
Built of tears and cries and laughter,
Prayers of faith and songs of grace,
Let this house proclaim from floor to rafter.
All are welcome, all are welcome,
All are welcome in this place.

4. GLORY AND PRAISE TO OUR GOD

Who alone gives light to our days.
Many are the blessings He bears
To those who trust in His ways

We the daughters and sons of Him
Who built the valleys and plains.
Praise the wonders our God has done
In every heart that sings

In His wisdom he strengthens us
Like gold that's tested in fire.
Though the power of sin prevails
Our God is there to save

5. JOYFUL, JOYFUL, WE ADORE THEE

God of glory, Lord of love;
Hearts unfold like flowers before Thee
Praising thee the sun above.
Melt the clouds of sin and sadness;
Drive the dark of doubt away;
Giver of immortal gladness,
Fill us with the light of day!

All Thy works with joy surround Thee,
Earth and heaven reflect Thy rays,
Stars and angels sing around Thee,
Centre of unbroken praise.
Field and forest, vale and mountain,
Flowery meadow, flashing sea,
Singing bird and flowing fountain
Call us to rejoice in Thee.

Thou art giving and forgiving,
Ever blessing, ever blessed,
Wellspring of the joy of living,
Ocean depth of happy rest!
Thou our Father, Christ our Brother,
All who live in love are Thine;
Teach us how to love each other,
Lift us to the joy divine.

Mortals, join the happy chorus,
Which the morning stars began;
Father's love is reigning o'er us,
Brother love binds man to man.
Ever singing, march we onward,
Victors in the midst of strife,
Joyful music leads us Onward
In the triumph song of life.



Advent: Finding Time in a Busy Life!

Our Advent journey begins today. It is a busy time of year; our heads are filled with details to remember. It can be a stressful time with all of the expectations and challenges of relationships: who we want to be with and who we struggle to be with this Christmas. So, our hearts are a bit tender; finding true perspective can be elusive. With that in mind, here at St Peter's, we would like to offer you *three options*; one or more of which might help guide your Advent journey over the next few weeks!

1. A Week of Gentle Guided Prayer from 8th – 15th of December
2. A Thursday night adventure to learn about the Birth Stories of Jesus
3. An early Friday breakfast of Tea/Coffee, Croissants, Reflection & Prayer

Week of Guided Prayer

This is a chance to participate in a retreat which is done at home. During the week each person will meet with a trained prayer guide each day, either morning, afternoon or evening for a half hour meeting at your convenience, Monday to Friday. They will meet you in St Peter's and the only requirement is your commitment to pray for one half hour each day and to meet with your prayer guide.

They will help you reflect on your experience and suggest material for you to pray with. It begins with a group session on Sunday Dec 8th at 7.00pm and closes with a group session on Sunday Dec 15th at 7.00pm. "A brilliant experience", "life changing", "it deepened my faith" is how some of last year's participants described the retreat. (*Limited number of places; see the application form on the tables*)

Thursday Nights

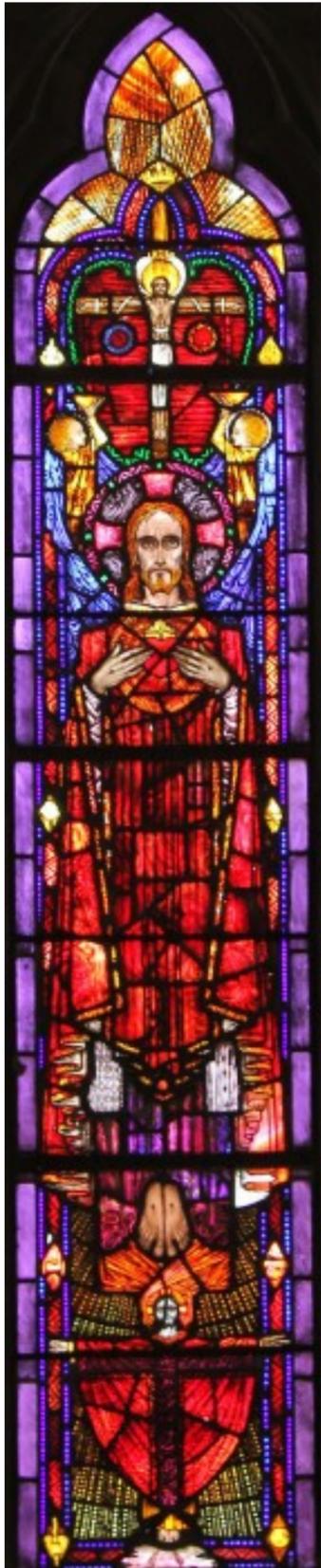
Each Thursday evening at 7.30pm in Advent Fr Kieran O Mahoney, one of Ireland's leading scripture scholars, will help us explore how the story of the Birth of Jesus in Mathew's Gospel came to be shaped and written. Discover the background, context and the characters in the first two chapters of this Gospel. Come join us for coffee, chat and insight. Meet in the Frank Duff Room, St Peter's at 7.30pm, Dec 5th, 12th & 19th.

Friday Mornings

Start your Friday at 7.00am with Tea /Coffee and Croissants for a Prayer Breakfast. It's a chance to reflect and share on life and the gospel of the day. Finishes by 8.00am. We gather in St Peters Conference Room. Come join us for the Fridays of Advent.

Fr Aidan CM PP

Mass Times			Confessions	African Chaplaincy
Sunday	Weekdays	Holy Days	Saturday	1st Sunday
Vigil (Sat) 6.30pm	Monday 10.30am	10.30am	11.00am	2.15pm
Morning 8.00am	7.00pm	6.30pm	or	
10.00am	Tues - Sat		Parish Office	Syro Malabar Rite
11.30am	10.30am		by arrangement	2nd, 3rd & 4th Sunday 4.00pm



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Volunteer Church Cleaners

11.00am Monday for 1 hour followed by light refreshments

Legion of Mary

7.00pm Monday

Frank Duff Room (via Parish Office)

Miraculous Medal Novena

7.30pm Monday

Association of the Miraculous Medal

8.00pm Monthly - 3rd Monday

Patrician Meeting (Legion of Mary)

7.30pm Monthly - 3rd Tuesday

Frank Duff Room (via Parish Office)

Legion of Mary

7.00pm Wednesday

Frank Duff Room (via Parish Office)

Society of St Vincent de Paul

7.30pm Thursday - Conference Meeting

Sacred Heart Arch Confraternity

10.30am Mass and devotions on the First Friday of every month

Children of Mary Sodality

10.30am Mass on the Saturday after the First Friday of every month

Sacrament of the Sick

10.30am Monthly - 3rd Saturday

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CHRISTMAS FAYRE

Phibsborough

Sunday
1 December
12.30pm - 4.00pm

Santa

Carol Singers
Mulled Wine
Festive Food & Drink
Raffle

ST PETER'S CHURCH GROUNDS
Cabra Road Entrance

FREE ADMISSION
Proceeds in aid of 'Time After Time'
Restoring the Clock at St Peter's

3 Mins From LUAS Phibsborough

ADVENTURE IN MATTHEW



Venue: Frank Duff Room
Dates: Thursdays 5, 12, 19 December
Time: 7.30pm

Exploring Faith... Encountering Christ. Exploring Matthew's story of The Birth of Christ with Fr Kieran O'Mahony OSA.

ADVENT PRAYER BREAKFAST



Venue: St Peter's Conference Room
Dates: Fridays 6, 13, 20 December
Time: 7.00am

You are invited to a Prayer Breakfast every Friday morning of Advent at 7.00am (finishes by 8.00am).

In Loving Memory

Please pray for the repose of the souls of all those who died recently especially...

John Kelly

(St Peter's Court)

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them, may they rest in peace. Amen.

I HAD A DREAM

Opening of Exhibition on the work of the **Daughters of Charity** alongside those living with HIV/AIDS

World AIDS Day
1st December

Blessing of Welcome signs for Church Doors

Monday Novena
2nd December

Guest Speaker: **Robert Lawlor**
Co-founder of Access to Medicines Ireland

Observation of **World Aids Day**
@St. Peter's Church

BAPTISMS IN NOVEMBER

Congratulations to baby Ella Grace Visenti Shanahan who was baptised here in St Peter's recently. The Christian Community welcomes you among us with great joy.



TREE OF LIFE CEREMONY



Venue: St Francis Hospice (Blanchardstown)

Date: Thursday, 5 December

Time: 8.00pm

Sponsor a light on the Hospice Christmas Tree, €6 per light. Online @ www.sfh.ie or call 832 7535. All are welcome to attend.

SVP Food Appeal

This year we repeat our annual Food Appeal. SVP staff are trying to keep up with the demand from food banks as Christmas approaches – particularly for families in need. Types of food urgently needed include pasta/rice, fruit juice, tea/coffee, soup, sugar, powdered milk, tinned meat/fish, tinned veg/fruit, packaged desserts, biscuits. Please bring your non-perishable food items to any of the Masses next weekend, 7/8 December.



TREE LIGHTING SERVICE

Venue: Glasnevin Cemetery
New Angels Plot
Date: Sunday, 8 December
Time: 4.00pm

A Christmas Tree Lighting Service will be held in memory of all babies who died around the time of their birth.



IMMACULATE CONCEPTION OF THE BVM

Venue: St Peter's Church
Date: Monday, 9 December
Times: 10.30am & 7.00pm

As the Feast of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary falls on a Sunday this year, it will be celebrated on Monday instead. It is **NOT** a holy day of obligation.



1st Sunday of Advent

Monday

7.00pm Legion of Mary

7.30pm Miraculous Medal Novena

Tuesday

St Francis Xavier, priest

3.00pm Active Retired

Wednesday

St John Damascene, priest & doctor of the Church

10.00am Cuidiu

7.00pm Legion of Mary

Thursday

11.00am Prayer for Vocations

7.30pm ADVENTure in Matthew

First Friday

St Nicholas, bishop

7.00am Prayer Breakfast

10.30am Sacred Heart Arch Confraternity

Saturday

St Ambrose, bishop & doctor of the Church

10.30am Children of Mary Sodality

2nd Sunday of Advent

Weekly Collections

Recent collections amounted to:

Church (24 Nov) = €1,028.72

Share (24 Nov) = € 232.26

Church Gate Collection

This week's is in aid of the Ladies of Charity Christmas collection. Founded by St Vincent de Paul they seek to help those in need in the local area. Their only source of funding is the monthly Church Gate collection, every cent of which is greatly appreciated.

St Vincent de Paul

Next week's 2nd church collection will be in aid of the Society of St Vincent de Paul's Diocesan Christmas collection. It replaces Share.

Christmas

Mass Bouquets €7.00, Novena Cards €5.00, SVP Cards €6.00 & €5.00 & Church Art Calendars €2.50 available from the Parish Office and Repository.