



St Peter's Church, Phibsborough

Parish Newsletter

Sixth Sunday of Easter: 9 May 2021

MASS INTENTIONS

6th Sunday of Easter, 9 May

Fr Gabriel Harty (A)

Joe Dixon (A)

Jimmy & Jackie Webberley (A)

Monday, 10 May

St Louise de Marillac, Religious, Co-foundress of the Daughters of Charity

St Comgall, abbot

Mary Gibbons (A)

Tuesday, 11 May

Thanksgiving

Maureen Hartmann (A)

Ray Kearns (BR)

Mollie O'Loughnan (D)

Wednesday, 12 May

Ss Nereus, Achilleus & Pancras, martyrs

Denise Freeney (A)

Patrick Connaughton (A)

Thursday, 13 May

Our Lady of Fatima

Paddy & Phyllis Mills (D)

Souls in Purgatory

Friday, 14 May

St Matthias, Apostle

Holy Souls

Saturday, 15 May

St Carthage, bishop

Redmond Family (SI)

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

'NOT OUR LOVE FOR GOD...

... but God's love for us.' Like small children basking in the love of their parents are we in the love of God — not always, perhaps not even often, conscious of that love though we are the beneficiaries of it: the gift of life and breath, place and space, light and movement, change and sense, time and thought, food and drink, family and friends, memory and understanding, presence and possibility ... all of life's unveiling in and around us day after day. God's love for us whether or not we ever get round to acknowledging the Giver, never mind thanking Him. Small children seldom do, thank their parents that is, but basking in their love is reward enough. And yet their hearts are expanded in that love that teaches them what love is and how to love. God does that too, even in those who are reluctant or reticent to name Him, and waits till love itself finds a way in each of us to know that God is love, than which no greater exists than to lay down his life for his friends.

Eamon Devlin CM PP

ST LOUISE DE MARILLAC: FEASTDAY 9 MAY

Louise was already widowed when she began to discern a calling to dedicate herself to the service of God. Through prayer and spiritual guidance with Vincent de Paul she devoted her considerable skills as an organiser and pragmatic helper to the care of sick and impoverished people, visiting them in their homes, setting up and running hostels for homeless and refugees, rescuing babies abandoned on the streets. As the needs grew so too did the generosity of young women who gathered around Louise to share her work. In this way the Daughters of Charity were formed in 1633. A community of sisters in St Peter's parish continues to live the charism of St Louise, visiting sick, ministering to homeless, caring for elderly people, assisting in parish.

SAINTS, SCHOLARS, HEROES (by Fr Eamon Flanagan CM)

Copies of this book will be left in the Adoration Chapel. Anyone may pick up a copy, place €5.00 in an envelope marked 'For Book' and deposit it in the 'Donations Box' at Our Lady's Altar. For facilitation and information, you may contact Fr Flanagan at 086 358 1185. Many thanks, and have a good read!

COLLECTIONS

April 2021

Parish (inc. Online) €1,280.00

Weekly Envelopes (inc. Online & backdated) €1,917.30

Thank you for your continued support to the parish.

IN LOVING MEMORY

Please remember in your prayers all those who died recently especially Brendan Bracken (St Peter's Road), Attracta O'Callaghan (St Peter's Conference of the SVP), Monica Barr (Rathdown Road), Rosaleen Boughton (Connaught Parade), James Caffrey (Great Western Square) and Margaret O'Connell (Charleville 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.

LITURGICAL READINGS FOR: Sunday, 9 May 2021

FIRST READING

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles

As Peter reached the house Cornelius went out to meet him, knelt at his feet and prostrated himself. But Peter helped him up. 'Stand up,' he said 'I am only a man after all!'

Then Peter addressed them: 'The truth I have now come to realise' he said 'is that God does not have favourites, but that anybody of any nationality who fears God and does what is right is acceptable to him.'

While Peter was still speaking the Holy Spirit came down on all the listeners. Jewish believers who had accompanied Peter were all astonished that the gift of the Holy Spirit should be poured out on the pagans too, since they could hear them speaking strange languages and proclaiming the greatness of God. Peter himself then said, 'Could anyone refuse the water of baptism to these people, now they have received the Holy Spirit just as much as we have?' He then gave orders for them to be baptised in the name of Jesus Christ. Afterwards they begged him to stay on for some days.

The Word of the Lord.

SECOND READING

A reading from the letter of St John

My dear people,

let us love one another

since love comes from God

and everyone who loves is begotten by God and knows God.

Anyone who fails to love can never have known God, because God is love.

God's love for us was revealed when God sent into the world his only Son so that we could have life through him; this is the love I mean:

not our love for God,

but God's love for us when he sent his Son to be the sacrifice that takes our sins away.

The Word of the Lord

GOSPEL

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John

Jesus said to his disciples: 'As the Father has loved me, so I have loved you. Remain in my love. If you keep my commandments you will remain in my love, just as I have kept my Father's commandments

and remain in his love. I have told you this so that my own joy may be in you and your joy be complete. This is my commandment: love one another, as I have loved you. A man can have no greater love than to lay down his life for his friends. You are my friends, if you do what I command you. I shall not call you servants any more, because a servant does not know his master's business; I call you friends, because I have made known to you everything I have learnt from my Father. You did not choose me, no, I chose you; and I commissioned you to go out and to bear fruit, fruit that will last; and then the Father will give you anything you ask him in my name. What I command you is to love one another.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

PHIBSBOROUGH (PANAMA) SCOUTS

As part of a heritage project and website for the 19th/36th Phibsborough Scout Group anyone with items of memorabilia (including old photographs, souvenirs, old uniforms, badges etc...) are invited to contact Vincent Cahill at:

1936heritage@gmail.com.

WELCOME BACK TO MASS

FROM MONDAY 10 MAY

Mass Times: Monday: 10.30am & 7.00pm (Novena to our Lady of the Miraculous Medal)

Tuesday to Saturday: 10.30am

FROM SUNDAY 16 MAY

Mass Times: Sunday: vigil 6.30pm (Sat), 8.00am, 10.00am, 11.30am

Restricted numbers continue to apply (max 50 people per Mass)

All services online at: www.churchservices.tv/phibsboro or www.stpetersphibsboro.ie/live-stream

FROM SATURDAY 15 MAY

Confessions: Saturday 11.00am - 12.30pm and at any other time on request

THE PARISH OFFICE IS STILL CLOSED TO THE PUBLIC

We are working from behind closed doors but available Monday to Friday from 11.00am – 12.00pm for collections only.

For Mass Cards etc... please ring (01) 838 9708. Otherwise email: info@stpetersphibsboro.ie.