



St Peter's Church, Phibsborough

Parish Newsletter

Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time: 24 July 2022

MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday, 24 July

World Day of Grandparents and the Elderly
St Sharbel Makhluf, priest & St Declan, bishop are not celebrated this year

Sr Gerard Egan (MM)
Michael Fitzmaurice (1st A)
Paddy Mills (A)
Mary & Tommy Donnelly (A)
Clare & Joe Somers (D)

Monday, 25 July

St James, Apostle
Dan O'Regan (RD)
Maura Darcy (1st A)
Michael Fitzmaurice (1st A)
James Irwin (A)

Tuesday, 26 July

Ss Joachim & Anne, parents of the Blessed Virgin Mary
James Dolan (SI)
Sr Veronica O'Doherty (MM)
Sean O'Neill (MM)
Marc Murphy (BR)
Kathleen, Charles & Carmel Gallagher (A)

Wednesday, 27 July

Timothy Hartigan (1st A)
Declan Hughes (2nd A)

Thursday, 28 July

St Peter Chrysologus, bishop & doctor of the Church
Iona, Luka & Noel Maguire (SI)
Eileen Hyland (A)

Friday, 29 July

Ss Martha, Mary & Lazarus
Lily Power (A)
Brian & May Darcy (D)
Kathleen, John & David Cullen (D)

Saturday, 30 July

St Justin De Jacobis, bishop
Bridie Heavey (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

Some people like haggling, others find it just embarrassing. In the first reading from Genesis Abraham haggles - successfully - with God to save Sodom and Gomorrah from "fire and brimstone". Starting with 50, the bidding arrives at a reduction to 10 just persons. (In the event, not in the reading today, only two just people - Lot and his wife - were found). The Gospel provides a practical model of how Jesus prays, and how we should pray, with the words known the world over. There follows a parable, akin to the haggling of Abraham, only this time over a late-night request for three loaves of bread, illustrating the importance of persistence in prayer.

But remember that there is much more to the Lord's Prayer than asking for what we want. In today's gospel (Luke) there are five petitions. The version we usually say is based on Matthew's gospel. It has seven petitions. Here it is:

*Our Father in heaven
May your name be held holy,
Your kingdom come.
Your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
And forgive us our debts,
As we have forgiven our debtors,
And do not put us to the test,
but save us from the Evil One.*

Christians of every stripe all over the world pray the Lord's Prayer every day, often more frequently. Don't allow a day to pass without saying this Prayer - composed by God's Son and made in heaven. Provident Father, with the prayer your Son taught us on our lips every day, we ask, we seek, we knock at your door.

Fr Padraig Regan CM

PATRICIAN ON THE SACRED HEART

Organised by the Legion of Mary this is a wonderful forum to build up knowledge of our Catholic faith. The topic is 'The Sacred Heart'. There will be a brief paper on the Sacred Heart, then we gather to talk about what we've heard. After tea and light refreshments we resume with a paper from the priest on the topic. Everyone welcome to the Frank Duff Room on Tuesday 26th July at 7.30pm.

VINCENTIAN FAMILY PILGRIMAGE TO KNOCK

Saturday, 10 September 2022

Anyone interested in travelling by coach on the pilgrimage is requested to give names to the Parish Office as soon as possible so that we can gauge numbers and make bookings in good time. The pilgrimage will include a tea/coffee break en-route and a meal on the way back. All protocols with regard to health will be in place in keeping with HSE guidelines at the time.

MASS TIMES:

Monday: 10.30am & 7.00pm (Novena to our Lady of the Miraculous Medal)
Tuesday to Saturday: 10.30am
Sunday: vigil 6.30pm (Sat), 8.00am, 10.00am, 11.30am

CONFESSIONS:

Saturday 11.00am - 12.30pm and at any other time on request
Monday from 6.30pm onwards

REPOSITORY:

(in Office) Monday to Thursday from 10.00am to 12.00pm
(in Church) Mon evening, Fri morning, Sat evening, Sun morning

LITURGICAL READINGS FOR: Sunday, 24 July 2022

FIRST READING

A reading from the Book of Genesis

The Lord said,

'How great an outcry there is against Sodom and Gomorrah! How grievous is their sin! I propose to go down and see whether or not they have done all that is alleged in the outcry against them that has come up to me. I am determined to know.'

The men left there and went to Sodom while Abraham remained standing before the Lord. Approaching him he said, *'Are you really going to destroy the just man with the sinner? Perhaps there are fifty just men in the town. Will you really overwhelm them, will you not spare the place for the fifty just men in it? Do not think of doing such a thing: to kill the just man with the sinner, treating just and sinner alike! Do not think of it! Will the judge of the whole earth not administer justice?'*

The Lord replied, *'If at Sodom I find fifty just men in the town, I will spare the whole place because of them.'*

Abraham replied,

'I am bold indeed to speak like this to my Lord, I who am dust and ashes. But perhaps the fifty just men lack five: will you destroy the whole city for five?'

'No,' he replied 'I will not destroy it if I find forty five just men there.'

Again Abraham said to him, *'Perhaps there will only be forty there.'*

'I will not do it' he replied 'for the sake of the forty.'

Abraham said,

'I trust my Lord will not be angry, but give me leave to speak: perhaps there will only be thirty there.'

'I will not do it' he replied 'if I find thirty there.'

He said, *'I am bold indeed to speak like this, but perhaps there will only be twenty there.'*

'I will not destroy it' he replied 'for the sake of the twenty.'

He said, *'I trust my Lord will not be angry if I speak once more: perhaps there will only be ten.'*

'I will not destroy it' he replied 'for the sake of the ten.'

The Word of the Lord.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM Ps 137

Response: On the day I called,
you answered me, O Lord.

1. I thank you, Lord, with all my heart,
you have heard the words of my mouth.

Before the angels I will bless you.

I will adore before your holy temple.

2. I thank you for your faithfulness and love
which excel all we ever knew of you.

On the day I called, you answered;

you increased the strength of my soul.

3. The Lord is high yet he looks on the lowly
and the haughty he knows from afar.

Though I walk in the midst of affliction

you give me life and frustrate my foes.

4. You stretch out your hand and save me,
your hand will do all things for me.

Your love, O Lord, is eternal,

discard not the work of your hands.

SECOND READING

A reading from the second letter of St Paul to the Colossians

You have been buried with him, when you were baptised; and by baptism, too, you have been raised up with him through your belief in the power of God who raised him from the dead. You were dead, because you were sinners and had not been circumcised: he has brought you to life with him, he has forgiven us all our sins. He has overridden the Law, and cancelled every record of the debt that we had to pay; he has done away with it by nailing it to the cross.

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 you received is the spirit of sons, and it makes us cry out,
'Abba, Father!'

Alleluia!

GOSPEL

A reading from the Gospel according to Luke

Once Jesus was in a certain place praying, and when he had finished one of his disciples said,

'Lord, teach us to pray, just as John taught his disciples.'

He said to them,

'Say this when you pray:

"Father, may your name be held holy,

your kingdom come;

give us each day our daily bread,

and forgive us our sins,

for we ourselves forgive each one who is in debt to us.

And do not put us to the test."

He also said to them,

'Suppose one of you has a friend and goes to him in the middle of the night to say, "My friend, lend me three loaves, because a friend of mine on his travels has just arrived at my house and I have nothing to offer him"; and the man answers from inside the house, "Do not bother me. The door is bolted now, and my children and I are in bed; I cannot get up to give it you." I tell you, if the man does not get up and give it him for friendship's sake, persistence will be enough to make him get up and give his friend all he wants.

'So I say to you: Ask, and it will be given to you; search, and you will find; knock, and the door will be opened to you. For the one who asks always receives; the one who searches always finds; the one who knocks will always have the door opened to him. What father among you would hand his son a stone when he asked for bread? Or hand him a snake instead of a fish? Or hand him a scorpion if he asked for an egg? If you then, who are evil, know how to give your children what is good, how much more will the heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to those who ask him!'

The Gospel of the Lord.

COLLECTIONS - Sundays

Parish (1st Collection, incl. Online)

Weekly Envelopes (incl. Online/Easy Payments)

Peter's Pence (3 July) / Share (2nd Collection)

3rd July

= €1,473.72

= € 351.70

= € 205.21

10th July

= €1,103.18

= € 555.70

= € 260.61

17 July

= €1,066.86

= € 485.70

= € 284.43

Thank you for your continued support to the parish.