



# St Peter's Church, Phibsborough

## Parish Newsletter

Easter Day of the Lord's Resurrection: 31 March 2024

### MASS INTENTIONS

#### Easter Sunday, 31 March

*Easter Novena List*

Noel Hannon (RD)

Anne & Philip Murray (D)

Michael & Larry O'Sullivan (D)

Mary & Thomas McCabe & Family (D)

Eileen, Thomas, Thomas Jnr, Edward & Kathleen Doyle (D)

#### Easter Monday, 1 April

*St Ceallach (Celsus), bishop is not celebrated this year*

*Easter Novena List*

Michael & Ann Lawrence (SI)

McDonagh & Lawrence Families (SI)

#### Easter Tuesday, 2 April

*St Francis of Paola, hermit is not celebrated this year*

*Easter Novena List*

Michael & Ann Lawrence (SI)

McDonagh & Lawrence Families (SI)

Meclin Cardozo (1st A)

Eamon & Ethel Somers (A)

Mills Family (D)

#### Easter Wednesday, 3 April

*Easter Novena List*

Michael & Ann Lawrence (SI)

McDonagh & Lawrence Families (SI)

Joe & Clare Somers (A)

Thomas & Kathleen Somers & Family (D)

#### Easter Thursday, 4 April

*St Isidore, bishop & doctor of the Church is not celebrated this year*

*Easter Novena List*

Michael & Ann Lawrence (SI)

McDonagh & Lawrence Families (SI)

Fr Joseph Haugh (A)

#### Easter (First) Friday, 5 April

*St Vincent Ferrer, priest is not celebrated this year*

*Easter Novena List*

Michael & Ann Lawrence (SI)

McDonagh & Lawrence Families (SI)

Kathleen, John & David Cullen (D)

#### Easter Saturday, 6 April

*Easter Novena List*

Marion Grehan (SI)

Michael & Ann Lawrence (SI)

McDonagh & Lawrence Families (SI)

### JESUS CHRIST HAS RISEN. ALLELUIA!!!

*"This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad."*

Today, the overwhelming love of God is being poured out on all people. The church joyfully proclaims that Jesus has broken the chains of death and has triumphantly risen from the dead.

The *"grain of wheat falls to the ground and dies and produces much fruit."* In Jesus' resurrection, all humanity gets a second chance. Now alive in the Spirit, Jesus seeks to be fruitful in us.

The proof that Jesus is risen is not the empty tomb. Rather, it is the transformed lives of the disciples. When the crucifixion loomed, they denied and deserted him and fled in fear. Now re-grouped, the Risen Christ has not only appeared to them, He has empowered them with his Spirit and they fearlessly go out to the whole world to share their new found life with others, a new life that is filled with evidence of his living presence within them. It is a life that is Christ-like in its' generous loving, forgiveness, and humble service of others. There, is the evidence that Jesus has risen and is still alive among us. By our lives, people will know that He is Risen.

Pope Francis writes *"Christ's resurrection is not an event of the past; it contains a vital power which has permeated the world. Where all seems to be dead, signs of resurrection suddenly spring up. It is an irresistible force."* ... *"Such is the power of the resurrection, and all who evangelise are instruments of that power."* (The Joy of the Gospel, 276).

Through the death and resurrection of Jesus that divine power is unleashed within us through Baptism. In renewing our Baptism promises we are renewing our commitment to let Christ live within us. When we are compassionate and forgiving and caring and understanding and when we work for justice and peace and reconciliation, we give witness to the presence of the Risen Lord within us. Our lives are the living proof that he is risen and alive within us.

Hence, the story of the resurrection is not complete until Christ is risen in you and me.

*"We are an Easter people, and Alleluia is our song."* St Augustine

Fr Kevin O'Shea CM



### IN LOVING MEMORY

Please remember in your prayers all those who died recently especially John Corbett (Connaught Parade), Kathleen (Kay) McCabe (Charleville Road), Thomas Abbey (Navan Road), Pablo Silva & Martin Ryan.

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, 31 March 2024

## FIRST READING

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles

Peter addressed Cornelius and his household:

“You must have heard about the recent happenings in Judaea; about Jesus of Nazareth and how he began in Galilee, after John had been preaching baptism. God had anointed him with the Holy Spirit and with power, and because God was with him, Jesus went about doing good and curing all who had fallen into the power of the devil. Now I, and those with me, can witness to everything he did throughout the countryside of Judaea and in Jerusalem itself: and also to the fact that they killed him by hanging him on a tree, yet three days afterwards God raised him to life and allowed him to be seen, not by the whole people but only by certain witnesses God had chosen beforehand. Now we are those witnesses – we have eaten and drunk with him after his resurrection from the dead – and he has ordered us to proclaim this to his people and to tell them that God has appointed him to judge everyone, alive or dead.

It is to him that all the prophets bear this witness: that all who believe in Jesus will have their sins forgiven through his name.’

The Word of the Lord.

## RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Response: Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Give thanks to the Lord for he is good,  
for his love has no end.

Let the sons of Israel say:  
‘His love has no end.’

The Lord's right hand has triumphed;  
his right hand raised me up.  
I shall not die, I shall live  
and recount his deeds.

The stone which the builders rejected  
has become the corner stone.  
This is the work of the Lord,  
a marvel in our eyes.

## SECOND READING

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Colossians

Since you have been brought back to true life with Christ, you must look for the things that are in heaven, where Christ is, sitting at God's right hand. Let your thoughts be on heavenly things, not on the things that are on the earth, because you have died, and now the life you

have is hidden with Christ in God. But when Christ is revealed – and he is your life – you too will be revealed in all your glory with him.  
The Word of the Lord.

## SEQUENCE (optional)

Christians, to the Paschal Victim offer sacrifice and praise.

The sheep are ransomed by the Lamb;  
and Christ, the undefiled,

hath sinners to his Father reconciled.

Death with life contended: combat strangely ended!

Life's own Champion, slain, yet lives to reign.

Tell us, Mary; say what thou didst see upon the way.

The tomb the Living did enclose;

I saw Christ's glory as he rose!

The angels there attesting;

shroud with grave-clothes resting.

Christ, my hope, has risen; he goes before you into Galilee.

That Christ is truly risen from the dead we know.

Victorious king, thy mercy show!

## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia!

Christ, our Passover, has been sacrificed;  
let us celebrate the feast then, in the Lord.

Alleluia!

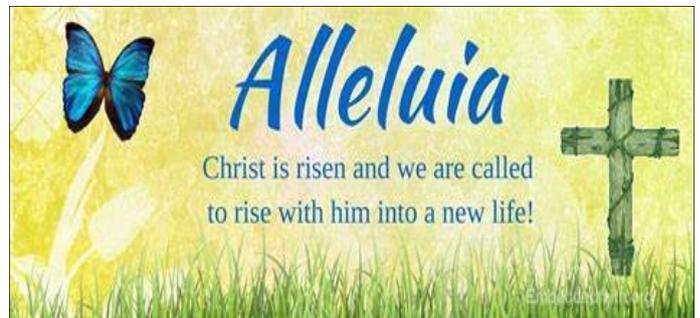
## GOSPEL

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John

It was very early on the first day of the week and still dark, when Mary of Magdala came to the tomb. She saw that the stone had been moved away from the tomb and came running to Simon Peter and the other disciple, the one Jesus loved. ‘*They have taken the Lord out of the tomb*’ she said ‘*and we don't know where they have put him.*’ So Peter set out with the other disciple to go to the tomb. They ran together, but the other disciple, running faster than Peter, reached the tomb first;

he bent down and saw the linen cloths lying on the ground, but did not go in. Simon Peter who was following now came up, went right into the tomb, saw the linen cloths on the ground, and also the cloth that had been over his head; this was not with the linen cloths but rolled up in a place by itself. Then the other disciple who had reached the tomb first also went in; he saw and he believed. Till this moment they had failed to understand the teaching of scripture, that he must rise from the dead.

The Gospel of the Lord.



## COLLECTIONS - Sunday 24 March

Parish (1st Collection, incl. Online) = €1,327.94

Envelopes (Online/Easy Payments) = € 429.20

Share (2nd Collection) = € 386.20

Thank you for your support to the parish and the Diocese.

## SPRING FORWARD...

... did you  
remember?



## WEBCAM LIVE-STREAMING

The webcam is scheduled to turn on 5 minutes before Masses/Services and turn off 5 minutes afterwards. If the camera hasn't turned on by the scheduled time, please refresh the page by clicking the image to turn on to live-stream.