

St Peter's Church, Phibsborough Parish Newsletter

Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time: 13 July 2025

MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday, 13 July

St Henry is not celebrated this year
Gabriel, Eucharia & Family (T)
Monica Milner (MM)
Jean Barron (BR)
Brigid & Dave Nessens (A)
Padraig O'Sullivan (4th A)
Rosaleen Murphy (RD)
Ludmila Cihlarova (D)

Monday, 14 July

St Camillus de Lellis, priest Angela Harrington (A) Phelim Galligan (D)

Tuesday, 15 July

St Bonaventure, bishop & doctor of the Church Mary Connolly (1st A)

Wednesday, 16 July

Our Lady of Mount Carmel Phyllis Somers (MM) Jimmy Hannon (1st A)

Bertha Finneran (1st A)

Joe Hannon (RD)

Noel McDonagh (RD)

Hannon Family (D)

Kennedy Family (D)

Sheila Fernandez (D

Thursday, 17 July

Dermot Vaughan (SI)
Alan Murray (MM)
Brigid & John Penston (A)

Friday, 18 July

James (A), Peggy, Georgie & Rita McKee (D)

Kathleen, John & David Cullen (D)

Saturday, 19 July

Rosaleen Kelly (1st A)

JESUS, THE GOOD SAMARITAN, BRINGS THE COMMAND-MENTS TO LIFE

Panorama of God's Design for the 10 Commandments

In Reading 1 (Deuteronomy 30) Moses conveys God's Word to the people. They are called to obey the revealed pattern for humankind. This brings peace of mind, and a happy conscience, summed up in love of God and of neighbour. The same teaching is assumed in the Gospel (Luke 10). A powerful parable shows love flowing into care for a victim of robbery, maimed and left in a wretched condition. The Good Samaritan's active and generous aid helps him and saves his life. St Augustine sees Jesus himself as the true Good Samaritan saving all people from the attacks of the devil, and the fierce trauma of sin. Reading 2 (Colossians 1) sings of Jesus, our Saviour, "making peace by his blood on the Cross."

Secret of happiness: living the full extent of the Commandments

We ponder the Commandments and try to live them. The *Catechism of the Catholic Church* in full length or shorter versions is a most helpful guide. These are a few examples: To adore God; following a loving obligation, to attend Mass on Sundays and Holydays (1st, 3rd, Cmdts); to respect human life; to preserve this life from conception to natural death (5th Cmdt); to avoid lying, to believe the truths of our Faith, to make true reports, to live the truth "that sets one free" (8th Cmdt). We all seek to love God and bring love to others both materially, as in the parable, and spiritually as e.g. by prayer, example, wisdom, correction, accompaniment, not least in family and local parish.

"God must be loved first, in order that one's neighbour, too, may be loved in God". St Bernard

Fr Eamon Flanagan CM

TAX RELIEF DONATIONS

As a registered charity St Peter's Parish can claim tax relief on donations of €250 or more in any one year at a rate of 31% (no matter what rate of tax you pay). It applies to all cheque/cash and online donations which are made in instalments over the year or as one donation during that time. Please fill in a CHY 4 Cert available from the Church, Parish Office or online at: www.stpetersphibsboro.ie/.../Vincentian-Fathers.... Please return the completed cert to the Parish Office. Thank you for all your support.

THIS WEEK

- Monday weekly Mass and Novena in honour of Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal takes place at 7.00pm.
- Adoration Exposition of the Most Blessed Sacrament takes place after Saturday 10.30am Mass (except if there is a funeral).
- The monthly collection for St Peter's Conference of the SVP will take place at all Masses this weekend.

LITURGICAL READINGS FOR: Sunday, 13 July 2025

FIRST READING

A reading from the Book of Deuteronomy

Moses said to the people: 'Obey the voice of the Lord your God, keeping those commandments and laws of his that are written in the Book of this Law, and you shall return to the Lord your God with all your heart and soul.

'For this Law that I enjoin on you today is not beyond your strength or beyond your reach. It is not in heaven, so that you need to wonder, "Who will go up to heaven for us and bring it down to us, so that we may hear it and keep it?" Nor is it beyond the seas, so that you need to wonder, "Who will cross the seas for us and bring it back to us, so that we may hear it and keep it?"

No, the Word is very near to you, it is in your mouth and in your heart for your observance.'

The word of the Lord.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Response: Seek the Lord, you who are poor, and your hearts will revive.

SECOND READING

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Colossians 1

Christ Jesus is the image of the unseen God and the firstborn of all creation, for in him were created all things in heaven and on earth: everything visible and everything invisible, Thrones, Dominations, Sovereignties, Powers – all things were created through him and for him. Before anything was created, he existed, and he holds all things in unity.

Now the Church is his body, he is its head. As he is the Beginning, he was first to be born from the dead, so that he should be first in every ay; because God wanted all perfection to be found in him and all things to be reconciled through him and for him, everything in heaven and everything on earth, when he made peace by his death on the cross. The Word of the Lord.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia!

The sheep that belong to me listen to my voice, says the *Lord*, I know them and they follow me.

Alleluia!

Or: Alleluia, alleluia!

Your words are spirit and they are life: you have the message of eternal life.

Alleluia!

GOSPEL

A reading from the Gospel according to Luke

There was a lawyer who, to disconcert Jesus, stood up and said to him, 'Master, what must I do to inherit eternal life?' He said to him, 'What is written in the Law? What do you read there?'

He replied, 'You must love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your strength, and with all your mind, and your neighbour as yourself'. 'You have answered right,' said Jesus 'do this and life is yours.'

But the man was anxious to justify himself and said to Jesus, 'And who is my neighbour?'

Jesus replied, 'A man was once on his way down from Jerusalem to Jericho and fell into the hands of brigands; they took all he had, beat him and then made off, leaving him half dead. Now a priest happened to be travelling down the same road, but when he saw the man, he passed by on the other side. In the same way a Levite who came to the place saw him, and passed by on the other side.

But a Samaritan traveller who came upon him was moved with compassion when he saw him. He went up and bandaged his wounds, pouring oil and wine on them. He then lifted him on to his own mount, carried him to the inn and looked after him. Next day, he took out two denarii and handed them to the innkeeper. "Look after him," he said "and on my way back I will make good any extra expense you have."

Which of these three, do you think, proved himself a neighbour to the man who fell into the brigands` hands?' 'The one who took pity on him' he replied. Jesus said to him, 'Go, and do the same yourself.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

IN LOVING MEMORY

Please remember in your prayers all those who died recently especially Noreen Rodgers, Phyllis Somers, Monica Milner and Ray Bradley.

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.**

COLLECTIONS - Sunday 6th July

Parish (1st Collection, incl.Tap/Online/Payzone) = €1,437.75

Envelopes (incl. Online/Payzone) = € 197.00

Share = € 256.41

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

VINCENTIAN PARISH PILGRIMAGE TO KNOCK

Join us and encourage others, as we pilgrimage to Knock on **Saturday**, **13 September** to honour our Blessed Lady and give thanks for the many blessing we receive. Bookings now at the Parish Office Cost: €60 per person (to be paid in full at time of booking) includes tea break and evening meal. For more details please ring 838 9708 or info@stpetersphibsboro.ie.

Online bookings can also be made at the following link: https://platform.payzone.ie/customer/10002/product-list/details/118.