



St Peter's Church, Phibsborough

Parish Newsletter

The Most Holy Body & Blood of Christ: 22 June 2025

MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday, 22 June

(Corpus Christi)

Sean Maguire (BR)

Jaroslav Pruska (RD)

Monday, 23 June

Mary Faye (A)

Tuesday, 24 June

The Nativity of St John the Baptist

John Paul Brennan (BR)

Angela Moloney (A)

Fionn Cullen (A)

Wednesday, 25 June

Holy Souls

Thursday, 26 June

Bl. Mary Magdalene Fontaine, Mary F. Lanel,

Teresa M. Fantou, Joanne Gerard, Margaret

Rutan & Companions, virgins & martyrs

Terry Whelan (RD)

Holy Souls

Friday, 27 June

The Most Sacred Heart of Jesus

World Day of Prayer for Priests

Kathleen, John & David Cullen (D)

Holy Souls

Saturday, 28 June

Immaculate Heart of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Joan O'Sullivan (1st A)

Sheila Kavanagh (A)

THE REAL PRESENCE OF CHRIST

*The Lord Jesus took some bread, he broke it and said,
'This is my body, which is for you; do this as a memorial of me.'*

In the same way he took the cup after supper, and said,

*'This cup is the new covenant in my blood,
do this as a memorial of me.'*

Catholic Christians believe that Jesus meant what he said. The Bread is changed into Christ's body. The wine is changed into Christ's blood.

Paris: Monday of Holy Week 2019, a fire ravaged and almost destroyed Notre Dame Cathedral.

Six days later at the Church of Saint-Eustache, one km from Notre Dame, Archbishop Michel AUPETIT celebrated the Mass of Easter Sunday.

In his homily the Archbishop said that when he got news of the fire, his first thought was for the safety of the body of Christ in the Blessed Sacrament.

His first question: **"WHERE IS THE BODY OF THE LORD?"**

The Archbishop reminded Easter Sunday Mass-goers that Notre Dame was not built to house relics or treasures; it was built for celebration of Mass and to house the Body of Christ.

"It is for this Body, veiled under the appearance of a crumb of bread, that the cathedral was built. What is more precious, the cathedral or that consecrated Bread?"

Rebuilding Notre Dame was a priority, he said, but such efforts must not overshadow the very reason for the existence of Notre Dame.

The whole Christ is truly present -- body, blood, soul, and divinity -- under the appearances of bread and wine; the glorified Christ who rose from the dead.

We mean this when we speak of the "Real Presence" of Christ.

Fr Padraig Regan CM

THIS WEEK

- Monday - weekly Mass and Novena in honour of Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal takes place at 7.00pm.
- Wednesday - tea & coffee in the Chapel of Adoration after 10.30am Mass.
- Adoration - Exposition of the Most Blessed Sacrament takes place after Saturday 10.30am Mass (except if there is a funeral).

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>.

LITURGICAL READINGS FOR: Sunday, 22 June 2025

FIRST READING

A reading from the Book of Genesis 1

Melchizedek king of Salem brought bread and wine; he was a priest of God Most High.

He pronounced this blessing:

'Blessed be Abraham by God Most High, creator of heaven and earth, and blessed be God Most High for handing over your enemies to you.'

And Abraham gave him a tithe of everything.

The Word of the Lord.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM Ps 109

Response: You are a priest for ever,
a priest like Melchizedek of old.

The Lord's revelation to my Master: 'Sit on my right:
I will put your foes beneath your feet.'

The Lord will send from Zion your sceptre of power:
rule in the midst of all your foes.

A prince from the day of your birth on the holy mountains;
from the womb before the daybreak I begot you.

The Lord has sworn an oath he will not change.
'You are a priest for ever, a priest like Melchizedek of old.'

SECOND READING

A reading from the first letter of St Paul to the Corinthians

This is what I received from the Lord, and in turn passed on to you:

that on the same night that he was betrayed,
the Lord Jesus took some bread, and thanked God for it and broke it, and he said,

'This is my body, which is for you; do this as a memorial of me.'

In the same way he took the cup after supper, and said,
'This cup is the new covenant in my blood. Whenever you drink it, do this as a memorial of me.'

Until the Lord comes, therefore, every time you eat this bread and drink this cup, you are proclaiming his death.

The Word of the Lord.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia!

I am the living bread which has come down from heaven,
says the Lord. Anyone who eats this bread will live for ever.
Alleluia!

GOSPEL

A reading from the Gospel according to Luke

Jesus made the crowds welcome and talked to them about the kingdom of God;

and he cured those who were in need of healing.

It was late afternoon when the Twelve came to him and said,
'Send the people away, and they can go to the villages and farms round about to find lodging and food; for we are in a lonely place here.'

He replied,

'Give them something to eat yourselves.'

But they said,

'We have no more than five loaves and two fish, unless we are to go ourselves and buy food for all these people.'

For there were about five thousand men. But he said to his disciples,

'Get them to sit down in parties of about fifty.'

They did so and made them all sit down.

Then he took the five loaves and the two fish, raised his eyes to heaven, and said the blessing over them; then he broke them and handed them to his disciples to distribute among the crowd.

They all ate as much as they wanted, and when the scraps remaining were collected they filled twelve baskets.

The Gospel of the Lord.

IN LOVING MEMORY

Please remember in your prayers all those who died recently especially Alan Murray (St Jarlath Road, husband of Noeleen, St Peter's staff) and Phyllis Somers (Great Western Square).

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.**

CHURCH REMEDIAL WORKS

The planned works will now not begin in June as we had hoped. A small number of outstanding issues are yet to be finished. Work to prepare St Peter's Club as a temporary Mass Centre are still ongoing as well. We now expect that the work in the Church will commence in September.

COLLECTIONS - Sunday 15th June

Parish (1st Collection, incl. Tap/Online/Payzone) = €1,324.22

Envelopes (incl. Online/Payzone) = € 250.80

Share = € 329.97

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

HOME VISITS

Within St Peter's Parish, families/homes may have a 'home visit' of the statue of Our Lady (blessed in Knock) for a few weeks at a time. This service aids prayer life for the glory of God and honour of Christ's Mother, and trust for graces in prayer. The Association of Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal arranges this service. Contact Mary Hayes, Coordinator or Fr Eamon Flanagan CM at 086 3581185.