



St Peter's Church, Phibsborough

Parish Newsletter

Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time: 5 October 2025

MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday, 5 October

St Faustina Kowalska, virgin is not celebrated this year

Betty & Ralph Murphy (A)

Monday, 6 October

St Bruno, priest

Michael Foley (1st A)

Shay & Pat Murphy (A)

Tom, Rita & Kevin Murphy (A)

Angel Ramos (A)

Willie Pollard (A)

Tuesday, 7 October

Our Lady of the Rosary

Holy Souls

Wednesday, 8 October

Holy Souls

Thursday, 9 October

St John Henry Newman, priest & St John Leonardi, priest

Ss Denis, bishop & Companions, martyrs

Holy Souls

Friday, 10 October

Ger Larkin (B)

Eamon Peters (BR)

Kathleen, John & David Cullen (D)

Loduvico & Espirita Ursua (D)

Saturday, 11 October

St John XXIII, pope & St Canice, abbot

Matthew Staton (B)

Martin Reilly (B)

Special Intention

Marie Sinclair (SI)

John & Mary Milner (A)

FAITH CHANGES US

Faith will not change the circumstances of our lives. Instead, it changes us. Living in faith does not shield us from the pain and difficulties of life, it does not undo the past, and it will not guarantee a particular future. Rather, faith is the means by which we face and deal with the circumstances of life - the difficulties and losses, the joys and successes, the opportunities and possibilities. Faith, however, is not lived out in the abstract. It is practiced day after day in ordinary everyday circumstances.

Some days when the pain and heaviness of life seem more than we can carry is by faith, relationship with Jesus, that we get up each morning and face the reality of life. Other days present other circumstances. When we feel the pain of the world and respond with compassion by feeding the hungry, housing the homeless, speaking for justice; when we experience the brokenness of a relationship and offer forgiveness and mercy; when we see the downtrodden and offer our presence and prayers - in all those we have lived, seen, and acted by faith. Then there are days when we feel powerless, lost, and do not know the way forward. By faith we sit in silence and wait. We live by faith not because we have *enough* faith but because we have faith, any faith, even mustard seed sized faith. That is all we need. Jesus believes that. So should we.

The question is not how much faith we have, but, rather, how we are living the faith we do have? How is our faith, our relationship with Jesus, changing our lives, our relationships, the lives of others? If it is not, more of the same will surely make no difference. The mustard seed of faith is already planted within us. It is Christ himself. He has withheld nothing from us. We already have enough. We already are enough. We do not need more faith. We need more response to the faith, the Christ, the mustard seed, the relationship we already have.

Michael K. Marsh

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(taken from 'Intercom')

HONOURING THE SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY... AND PRAYING FOR MARRIED COUPLES

St Paul compares marriage to the love of Jesus Christ for his bride the Church. The Church honours the dignity of marriage as an expression of God's love between couples. On one Sunday of each month we will pray for God's continual blessing on married couples especially those who are celebrating anniversaries during the month. Couples with anniversaries in October are welcome to give their names to the parish office to be prayed for on Sunday 26th October at 10.00am Mass. Phone 01 838 9708 or email: info@stpetersphibsboro.ie, giving your first names and the date of your wedding.

WAITING OVER... WORK BEGINNING!

Remedial work on the floor of the Church and other improvements will begin on Tuesday 28th October. The last Masses in the Church before the work begins will take place on Saturday evening 18th and Sunday 19th October. We will begin celebrating Mass in the temporary Mass Centre (St Peter's Club) on Monday 20th October. Mass times will remain the same for weekdays and weekends.

Please remember the works in your prayers. Progress reports will be issued from time to time via fliers and on the website: www.stpetersphibsboro.ie.

THIS WEEK

- **Monday:** Weekly Mass and Novena in honour of Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal takes place at 7.00pm. Confessions from 6.30pm. Rosary at 6.40pm.
- **Saturday:** Adoration - Exposition of the Most Blessed Sacrament takes place after 10.30am Mass on Saturday (**except if there's a funeral**).

LITURGICAL READINGS FOR: Sunday, 5 October 2025

FIRST READING

A reading from the book of the Prophet Habakkuk

How long, Lord, am I to cry for help while you will not listen;
to cry 'Oppression!' in your ear and you will not save?

Why do you set injustice before me, why do you look on where
there is tyranny? Outrage and violence, this is all I see, all is
contention, and discord flourishes.

Then the Lord answered and said,

'Write the vision down, inscribe it on tablets to be easily
read, since this vision is for its own time only: eager for its own
fulfilment, it does not deceive; if it comes slowly, wait, for come
it will, without fail.

*'See how he flags, he whose soul is not at rights, but the upright
man will live by his faithfulness.'*

The Word of the Lord.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Response: O that today you would listen to his voice!
Harden not your hearts.

Come, ring out our joy to the Lord;
hail the rock who saves us.

Let us come before him, giving thanks,
with songs let us hail the Lord.

Come in; let us bow and bend low;
let us kneel before the God who made us
for he is our God and we
the people who belong to his pasture,
the flock that is led by his hand.

O that today you would listen to his voice!
Harden not your hearts as at Meribah,
as on that day at Massah in the desert
when your fathers put me to the test;
when they tried me, though they saw my work.

SECOND READING

A reading from the second letter of St Paul to Timothy

That is why I am reminding you now to fan into a flame the gift
that God gave you when I laid my hands on you. God's gift was
not a spirit of timidity, but the Spirit of power, and love, and self-
control.

So you are never to be ashamed of witnessing to the Lord, or
ashamed of me for being his prisoner; but with me, bear the
hardships for the sake of the Good News, relying on the power
of God.

Keep as your pattern the sound teaching you have heard from
me, in the faith and love that are in Christ Jesus. You have
been trusted to look after something precious; guard it with the
help of the Holy Spirit who lives in you.

The Word of the Lord.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia!

Speak, Lord, your servant is listening:
you have the message of eternal life.

Alleluia!

Or

Alleluia, alleluia!

The word of the Lord remains for ever: What is this word?
It is the Good News that has been brought to you.

Alleluia!

GOSPEL

A reading from the Gospel according to Luke

The apostles said to the Lord, '*Increase our faith*'.

The Lord replied,

'Were your faith the size of a mustard seed you could say to
this mulberry tree,

"Be uprooted and planted in the sea", and it would obey you.

'Which of you, with a servant ploughing or minding sheep,
would say to him when he returned from the fields, *"Come and
have your meal immediately"*? Would he not be more likely to
say,

*"Get my supper laid; make yourself tidy and wait on me while I
eat and drink. You can eat and drink yourself afterwards"*? Must
he be grateful to the servant for doing what he was told?

So with you: when you have done all you have been told to do,
say, *"We are merely servants: we have done no more than our
duty"*.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

COLLECTIONS - Sunday 28th September

Parish (1st Collection, incl. Tap/Online/Payzone) = €1,282.88

Envelopes (incl. Online/Payzone) = € 431.00

Share = € 271.32

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

IN LOVING MEMORY

Please remember in your prayers all those who died recently
especially Marie Antoinette (Tetty) Brady (née Holt) (formerly
of Connaught Street).

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.**

VISIT OF RELICS OF ST CARLO ACUTIS

Our Lady of Dolours, Glasnevin

Saturday 4th Oct. from 6.00pm - 9.00pm and on Sunday 5th
Oct. from 9.00am - 4.00pm.

Christ the King, Cabra

Sunday 5th Oct. at 6.00pm. Welcome ceremony, blessing with
relics and adoration.

Monday 6th Oct. 6.45pm - 7.30pm. Guided adoration.

Most Precious Blood, Cabra West

Monday 6th Oct. 3.30pm - 4.30pm. Blessing of mobile phones.

Tues 7th Oct. 6.45pm - 7.30pm. Family Prayer night with
Living Rosary.