Remember Remember the Month of November

As we look towards November, the traditional month of the Holy Souls, we warmly invite you to begin preparing your Altar List of the Dead.

This is a special time in our parish community to remember and pray for our deceased family members and friends. All those named on the Altar Lists will be specially remembered in the Masses offered here throughout November.

Please take some time over the coming weeks to write down the names of your loved ones. You can drop your completed list into the parish office at your earliest convenience. Envelopes for this purpose are available at the doors of the church.

Remembering those who have passed can often bring up complex emotions. Please feel free to reach out and discuss with a priest what you are experiencing. Our priests are here to listen and support you during the upcoming season of remembrance.

Advance Notice

The Annual Mass for those who have died in the Parish (Nov '25-Oct '26) will take place on

Saturday 21st November at 6:30pm.

Because so many funerals went to other churches this year, compiling the list is more difficult than usual..
We will publish the list in good time to allow for corrections to be made in advance.

Temporary Receptionist Position

St Peter's Church, Phibsboro is currently recruiting a temporary receptionist.

The role is

one-year fixed term,
on a part time basis.

Letters of application with enclosed C.V should be sent to:

Marion McCormack, Administrator;
St Peter's Church,
Phibsboro, D07 FW29

email:
marion.mccormack@stpetersphibsboro.ie

A job description will be sent to all candidates on application.

Fr. Paschal Scallon CM
Parish Priest
Tel: 01 8102566
Email:`pp@stpetersphibsboro.ie

Parish Office
Tel:01 8389708
Email:info@stpetersphibsboro.ie

Mrs Marion McCormack
Administrator
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Saint Peter's Church NEWSLETTER

October 2026

Happy St Vincent's Day!

And many happy returns! That exchange is as valid as any like it. Happy birthday; happy new year; happy Easter…and many happy returns! And, of course, most often that is exactly what happens. There is a next time, and another anniversary brings us back to where it all began.

It seems to stretch a point, though, when it is applied in another context. Normally, one wouldn't expect to hear, "Happy installation day, and many happy returns!" Except in this case, this is what's happening. Having served as parish priest in St Peter's once before, I am living at least one of the good wishes entailed in, 'many happy returns.' At the risk of stretching a point, I could be compared to a leap year baby. But if they only get to celebrate their birthdays every four years, imagine the discombobulation of coming back around after seventeen years! If I were a planet, I'd be out there beyond Jupiter.

It's wonderful to be back. It's wonderful to have received such a warm welcome. And it's wonderful to return to St Peter's at a time when the Vincentian Community in Ireland is reflecting intensely on the future of the mission we received in and from Phibsborough in 1838.

We are about as many or as few as we were back then. We are as many or as few as the group that gathered around St Vincent de Paul in the 1620s. It has been 400 years since the Vincentian dream, the vision in the mind and soul of a priest from the southwest of France began to take shape, a desire that the compassion and care of Christ might be spoken and heard in the experience of everyone, especially those made to feel discarded and forgotten.

On this St Vincent's day, I wish you a very blessed and happy feast day, and yes…many happy returns.

Paschal Scallon CM, PP

Retreat

The Vincentian Annual Retreat will take place from the 4th-9th October. It is a sacred time of withdrawing and renewing, please keep the confreres in your prayers during this important time

Prison Sunday

We have a prison on our doorstep, and it is a Christian duty to be more aware of the experiences of the men and women there and also their families. We are finalising an event for the week of Prison Sunday (Oct 11th) More soon.

Welcome

A new group from the area, the "Phibsborough Community Choir" are going to be rehearsing in the Mass Centre from the 15th October. So don't worry if you hear a very different sound coming from 4/6 Cabra Rd of an evening. its not that our own St Peter's Singers have gone off message. The latter's beautiful singing remains at the heart of our worship

Generosity in *Action*

September Update (3 Sundays)

- Parish
  1st Collection, (Cash, Card, Payzone) =
  € 2,041.72
  Envelopes (Cash, Payzone) =
  € 689.50
- SVP
  (Monthly Collection) =
  € 683.51
- Share
  (2nd Collection) =
  € 442.46

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

You can help

It takes many hands and hearts to keep our mission running smoothly! If you are a regular contributor, you can boost your support. By completing a quick form for the **Charitable Donation Scheme**, we can claim back the tax on your gifts. It costs you nothing extra, but hugely helps our parish. Scan the QR code today!

October Novena to Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal

This October, join us for three special Monday night Novenas at 7:00 p.m. We are marking three things together: the month of the Rosary, the month of the foreign missions, and the launch of the five-year preparation for the bicentennial of the Miraculous Medal.

Inspired by the words given to St Catherine Labouré 200 years ago — *"You have been entrusted with a mission"* — each evening will explore a different theme to help us live that call today.

The three-week programme begins on Monday, 5 October 2026, and continues on 12 and 19 October. (Please note there is no gathering on the Bank Holiday, 26 October). All are very welcome.

This Months Events

10:30 am Friday October 2nd

Mass of the Sacred Heart,
Followed by devotions and Novena

10:30 am October 3rd

Mass of the sick
with Anointing

7:30 pm Mass Centre, October 6th

A meeting of the readers with
Fr. Paschal Scallon

All Masses, October 18th

An opportunity to hear the experience of Mission in the 21st Century

Early warning! October 25th

The clocks go back, and a Bank holiday next day. Enjoy the well earned rest

Regular Devotions

Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal Novena

Monday
6:40pm Rosary
7:00pm Mass
7:30pmNovena

Sacred Heart of Jesus Novena

First Friday
10:30am Votive Mass of the Sacred Heart with Novena

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

Saturday
11:00am-12:30pm

Ethnic Chaplaincies

African Chaplaincy

1st Sunday
2:00pm Mass

Church organisations

Get Your Organisation Listed
To have your organisation listed here, please send an email to **info@stpetersphibsboro.ie** and include the following details:

- Organisation name
- Meeting time and location
- Contact name
- The purpose of your group

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Sacraments

Mass

Sunday
Saturday Vigil
6.30 pm
Sunday Morning
8.00 am
10.00 am
11.30 am
Monday
10.30 am
7.00 pm
Tuesday to Saturday
10.30 am
Holy Days
10.30 pm
6.30 pm

Penance

Saturday
11:00 am—12:30 pm
Monday
7:00pm 'till 8pm
or by arrangement
01 8102566

Marriage

By Arrangement

Anointing of the Sick

1st Saturday of the Month
1030 am with Mass
or on request
01 8102566

Baptism

4th Sunday of month at 12.30pm