

St Peter's Church, Phibsborough Parish Newsletter

Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time: 23 June 2024

MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday, 23 June

John Dale (B)

Joan Gaffney (BR)

John Paul Brennan (BR)

Noreen Horgan (1st A)

Mary & Mable Roberts (D)

Michael & Larry O'Sullivan (D)

Monday, 24 June

The Nativity of St John the Baptist

John Paul Brennan (BR)

Kathleen Johnston (1st A)

Angela Moloney (2nd A)

Fionn Cullen (A)

Bridie & Wyburn Power (D)

Tuesday, 25 June

May Brennan (BR)

Ellen Crosbie (A)

Wednesday, 26 June

Bl. Mary Magdalene Fontaine, Mary F. Lanel, Teresa M. Fantou, Joanne Gerard, Margaret Rutan & Companions, virgins & martyrs

George Brady (D)

Thursday, 27 June

St Cyril of Alexandria, bishop & doctor of the Church Anthony Flynn (D)

Friday, 28 June

St Irenaeus, bishop & martyr

Sheila Kavanagh (A)

Kathleen, John & David Cullen (D)

William & Teresa Dale (D)

Saturday, 29 June

Ss Peter & Paul, Apostles

Marion Grehan (Thanksgiving)

THE POWER OF GOD

In the Bible, a revelation of God is often signalled by the phrase 'from the heart of the tempest'. Today, in the **Book of Job**, God responds to Job's demand for an explanation of his suffering.

God asks a series of unanswerable questions which compel Job to admit his limits. Anyone making such demands of God is either arrogant or foolish. Job (us too) will never understand God's purposes; but if, like Job, we can say to God 'I have seen you' then new possibilities open up.

In the **Gospel of Mark** there is another tempest. Another occasion for a revelation of the divinity of Jesus. The sea in the Bible is a sign of chaos and evil forces from which only the power of God can save us. This Gospel encourages us to recognise Jesus as God's agent of salvation.

While the boat was about to break up by force of the waves, Jesus was asleep, his head on a cushion. "Master, don't you care; we are going down". Jesus woke up, rebuked the wind, said to the sea 'Be calm'. And it happened. Then the disciples saw who Jesus was. 'Even the wind and sea obey him'.

The world today is disturbed and threatened by wars, climate and other disasters. We need to see Jesus for who He is, and believe what He can do for us.

The poetry of Psalm 106 may assist you get the Gospel message:

"Some sailed to the sea in ships
To trade on the mighty waters...
God spoke; he summoned the gale,
Tossing the waves of the sea
Up to heaven and back into the deep;
Their soul melted away in their distress.
Then they cried to the Lord, and he rescued them from their distress".

Fr Padraig Regan, CM

CHANGE OF MASS TIMES: Monday 24th - Friday 28th June

Due to the Provincial Assembly of the Vincentians which takes place 24th - 28th June, it is necessary to change the times of some Masses this week, as follows:

Monday

10.30am

7.00pm Novena (without Mass)

ollows: Monday 10.30am Tuesday 10.30am Wednesday 10.30am

N.B. Thursday 6.30pm N.B. Friday 6.30pm

Thank you for your understanding.

Fr Eamon Devlin, CM

LITURGICAL READINGS FOR: Sunday, 23 June 2024

FIRST READING

A reading from the book of the Prophet

From the heart of tempest the Lord gave Job his answer. He said:

Who pent up the sea behind closed doors when it leapt tumultuous out of the womb, when I wrapped it in a robe of mist and made black clouds its swaddling bands; when I marked the bounds it was not to cross and made it fast with a bolted gate? Come thus far, I said, and no farther: here your proud waves shall break.

The Word of the Lord.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Response: O give thanks to the Lord, for his love endures for ever.

Some sailed to the sea in ships to trade on the mighty waters.

These men have seen the Lord's deeds, the wonders he does in the deep.

For he spoke; he summoned the gale. Tossing the waves of the sea up to heaven and back into the deep;

their soul melted away in their distress.

Then they cried to the Lord in their need and he rescued them from their distress He stilled the storm to a whisper: all the waves of the sea were hushed.

They rejoiced because of the calm and he led them to the haven they desired. Let them thank the Lord for his love, the wonders he does for men.

SECOND READING

A reading from the 2nd letter of St Paul to the Corinthians Now the new creation is here.

The love of Christ overwhelms us when we reflect that if one man has died for all, then all men should be dead; and the reason he died for all was so that living men should live no longer for themselves, but for him who died and was raised to life for them.

From now onwards, therefore, we do not judge anyone by the standards of the flesh.

Even if we did once know Christ in the flesh, that is not how we know him now.

And for anyone who is in Christ, there is a new creation; the old creation has gone, and now the new one is here. The Word of the Lord.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia!
May the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ enlighten the eyes of our mind, so that we can see what hope his call holds for us.
Alleluia!

GOSPEL

A reading from the Gospel according to Mark

With the coming of evening, Jesus said to his disciples, 'Let us cross over to the other side.'

And leaving the crowd behind they took him, just as he was, in the boat; and there were other boats with him. Then it began to blow a gale and the waves were breaking into the boat so that it was almost swamped. But he was in the stern, his head on the cushion, asleep. They woke him and said to him, 'Master, do you not care? We are going down!'

And he woke up and rebuked the wind and said to the sea

'Quiet now! Be calm!' And the wind dropped, and all was calm again.

Then he said to them, 'Why are you so frightened? How is it that you have no faith?'

They were filled with awe and said to one another, 'Who can this be? Even the wind and the sea obey him.'
The Gospel of the Lord.

'DARING TO HOPE' - Irish Religious Sisters Embracing the Unknown (1923 - 2023)

Told through photographs, videos and stories, the portable exhibition reveals how Sisters often worked within a context of poverty, war, racial discrimination, strict religious and social mores, political unrest and grave injustice. You are invited to view the Exhibition today (Sunday) at No. 8 New Cabra Road between 12.00pm and 5.00pm.

COLLECTIONS - Sunday 16 June

Parish (1st Collection, incl. Online) = €1,380.63Envelopes (Online/Easy Payments) = €585.20Share (2nd Collection) = €352.37

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

IN LOVING MEMORY

Please remember in your prayers all those who died recently especially Francis Peter McInerney (formerly of Phibsborough), Sheila O'Neill and Mary Mitchell.

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.**