



St Peter's Church, Phibsborough

Parish Newsletter

Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time: 21 July 2024

MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday, 21 July

St Lawrence of Brindisi, priest & doctor of the Church is not celebrated this year

Nance Hehir (A)

John Heaslip (A)

Michael, Mary & William Twyford (A)

Michael & Larry O'Sullivan (D)

Gertie, John & Martina Tyrrell (D)

Monday, 22 July

St Mary Magdalene

Elizalde Abella (SI)

Ernesto Capa (SI)

Luis Ebesate (SI)

Vincent Linehan (RD)

Holy Souls

Tuesday, 23 July

St Bridget of Sweden, religious, Patron of Europe

Maureen & Jack Naughton (A)

Wednesday, 24 July

St Sharbel Makhlūf, priest

St Declan, bishop

Frank Ecock (BR)

Holy Souls

Thursday, 25 July

St James, Apostle

Mollie Haugh (A)

James Irwin (A)

Friday, 26 July

Ss Joachim & Anne, parents of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Bertha Finneran (MM)

Marc Murphy (BR)

Kathleen, Charles & Carmel Gallagher (A)

Kathleen, John & David Cullen (D)

Saturday, 27 July

Marion Grehan (Thanksgiving)

As he stepped ashore he saw a large crowd and he took pity on them because they were like sheep without a shepherd, and he set himself to teach them at some length. Mark 6:34

There are many images of God in the bible. In today's readings, we have an image of a God as a shepherd who cares for his people. In the first reading from Jeremiah the Lord says: *the remnant of my flock, I myself will gather from all the countries where I have dispersed them and bring them back to their pastures. They shall be fruitful and increase in numbers. I will raise up shepherds to look after them and pasture them. No fear, no terror for them any more. Not one shall be lost. Jeremiah 23 1-6*

The responsorial psalm tells us that *the Lord is my Shepherd there is nothing I shall want. If I should walk in the valley of darkness no evil would I fear. Psalm 22*

The Gospel tells us something very special about Jesus as a good shepherd. Jesus is concerned for the welfare of the apostles. Jesus said to them: *you must come away to some lonely place all by yourselves and rest for a while; There were so many people coming and going that the apostles had no time even to eat. The Gospel then tells us: they went off in a boat to a lonely place where they could be by themselves.*

But the people knew where they were going and walked to the place on foot. When Jesus reached the shore and saw the crowd waiting for him, he had pity on them because they were like sheep without a shepherd. Jesus set about teaching them at some length. That incident shows us the flexibility of Jesus to the needs of the people. In reaching out to the crowd that had successfully disrupted his plans, Jesus demonstrated what compassionate leadership looks like. In the process, he taught the disciples how to be sensitive to the needs of others; how to put the needs of others before everything else including rest.

Fr Mark Noonan CM

VINCENTIAN FAMILY PILGRIMAGE TO OUR LADY'S SHRINE, KNOCK, CO. MAYO

Saturday 14th September 2024

Cost: €60.00 per person (same price as 2023)
(includes coach fare, tea/coffee & scones on the way and dinner on return journey at the Longford Arms Hotel)

Tickets are now available in the Parish Office, Mon - Fri from 10am - 12pm

Full payment is required to secure a seat

LITURGICAL READINGS FOR: Sunday, 21 July 2024

FIRST READING

A reading from the book of the Prophet Jeremiah

'Doom for the shepherds who allow the flock of my pasture to be destroyed and scattered' – it is the Lord who speaks! This, therefore, is what the Lord, the God of Israel, says about the shepherds in charge of my people:

You have let my flock be scattered and go wandering and have not taken care of them. Right, I will take care of you for your misdeeds – it is the Lord who speaks!

But the remnant of my flock I myself will gather from all the countries where I have dispersed them, and will bring them back to their pastures: they shall be fruitful and increase in numbers.

I will raise up shepherds to look after them and pasture them; no fear, no terror for them any more;

not one shall be lost – it is the Lord who speaks!

See, the days are coming – it is the Lord who speaks

when I will raise a virtuous Branch for David,

who will reign as true king and be wise,

practising honesty and integrity in the land.

In his days Judah will be saved and Israel dwell in confidence.

And this is the name he will be called: 'The Lord—Our-Integrity.'

The Word of the Lord.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Response: The Lord is my shepherd;
there is nothing I shall want.

SECOND READING

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Ephesians

In Christ Jesus, you that used to be so far apart from us have been brought very close, by the blood of Christ. For he is the peace between us, and has made the two into one and broken down the barrier which used to keep them apart, actually destroying in his own person the hostility caused by the rules and decrees of the Law.

This was to create one single New Man in himself out of the two of them and by restoring peace through the cross, to unite them both in a single Body and reconcile them with God. In his own person he killed the hostility. Later he came to bring the good news of peace, peace to you who were far away and peace to those who were near at hand. Through him, both of us have in the one Spirit our way to come to the Father.

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!

GOSPEL

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark

The apostles rejoined Jesus and told him all they had done and taught. Then he said to them,

'You must come away to some lonely place all by yourselves and rest for a while'; for there were so many coming and going that the apostles had no time even to eat. So they went off in a boat to a lonely place where they could be by themselves. But people saw them going, and many could guess where; and from every town they all hurried to the place on foot and reached it before them.

So as he stepped ashore he saw a large crowd; and he took pity on them because they were like sheep without a shepherd, and he set himself to teach them at some length.

The Gospel of the Lord.

IN LOVING MEMORY

Please remember in your prayers all those who died recently especially Jimmy Hannon (former Minister of the Eucharist, St Peter's), Sr Angela Doyle DC (former choir leader, St Peter's), Mary Connolly (sister of Fr Sean Farrell CM), Bridget Ryan, Joan Wylde and Maureen Connell.

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.**

PATRICIAN MEETING

The Patrician is a wonderful forum to build up knowledge of our Catholic faith. The topic this month is 'Our Lady of Consolations'. There will be a brief paper on the topic, then we gather to talk (or listen) about what we have heard followed by a cup of tea and light refreshments. Everyone is very welcome to come along to St Peter's Club on Tuesday 23rd July at 7.30pm. The Patrician is organised by the Legion of Mary.

COLLECTIONS - Sunday 7 July

Parish (1st Collection, incl. Online)	= €1,401.33	= €1,562.19
Envelopes (Online/Easy Payments)	= € 357.70	= € 427.70
Share (2nd Collection)	= € 383.55	= € 239.28
SVP (Monthly Collection)		= € 549.30

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

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INTERCESSION FOR PRIESTS

The Annual Mass as part of the Intercession for Priests takes place on in St Peter's on Thursday 8th August at 7.00pm. Sr Briege McKenna will be present to lead the intercessions.