



# St Peter's Church, Phibsborough

## Parish Newsletter

Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time: 1 September 2024

### MASS INTENTIONS

#### Sunday, 1 September

Special Intention

Thomas Moriarty (SI)

Kenneth O'Shea (MM)

Rennie Cowman (A)

Joe & Margaret Prendergast (A)

Dan Chambers (A)

Dillie Heslip (BR)

#### Monday, 2 September

*Blessed Louis Joseph François and Companions (John Henry Gruyer, John Charles Caro, Nicholas Colin & Peter Rene Rogue), Priests & Martyrs*

Gerard Fagan (SI)

Conleth (Con) Hayes (A)

Teresa Murphy (1stA)

Paddy O'Malley (A)

Anita Butler (RD)

#### Tuesday, 3 September

*St Gregory the Great, Pope & Doctor*

Generosa Ursua (A)

#### Wednesday, 4 September

Tom Nash (BR)

#### Thursday, 5 September

Special Intention

#### Friday, 6 September

*First Friday*

Cullen Family (D)

#### Saturday, 7 September

Fionn Cullen (BR)

A = Anniversary

B = Birthday

BR = Birthday Remembrance

D = Deceased

GW = Get Well

MM = Months Mind

RD = Recently Deceased

SI = Special Intention

W = Wedding

WA = Wedding Anniversary

### St Peter's Parish - 50 Years

Fifty years ago (1974) St Peter's became the parish Church of the newly established parish of Phibsboro. Fr Tommy Fagan CM was the first parish priest as the Vincentians took on pastoral care of the area, extending the ministry of St Peter's which until then was a centre from which parish missions were conducted throughout Ireland and foreign missions were also supported.

Much has changed in Ireland, the Church and in Phibsboro over the course of half a century. The people of Phibsboro and surrounding areas worked tirelessly with the Vincentians to build up a strong faith filled community: the Eucharist and celebration of the Sacraments have been the strong beating heart of parish life while thriving sodalities (Sacred Heart, Children of Mary, Children's Sodality) enlivened a sense of the living Faith. The parish and the Vincentian Community took seriously the call of Vatican II to be a missionary Church supporting a recently established mission to Nigeria, the ministry to people who are deaf, the Travelling People, refugees, people who were homeless. The vocation of laypeople came increasingly to the fore with local conferences of the St Vincent de Paul, praesidia of the Legion of Mary, and the Ladies of Charity all thriving in the parish. More recently Vincentian Lay Missionaries and the Association of the Miraculous Medal have grown in strength.

The Vincentians and the parish have not always done all things well. Lessons have, hopefully, been learned over the years. As we mark a jubilee of parish life the Irish Church faces many challenges and we as well. The charisms of our Founders St Vincent de Paul, Louise de Marillac, Frederic Ozanam blend faith and humility with the boldness of charity for the service of Jesus in His people with simplicity, sincerity and singlemindedness. These charisms are as precious in today's Phibsboro as they were in Vincent de Paul's Paris. We thank God for all we have received and been blessed with as a parish community and as we mark a milestone we pray that the grace of God will bless us still, to be true disciples of the will of God today and in the years to come.

Fr Eamon Delvin, CM

### INVITATION

St Peter's Parish 50th year celebration of Mass on the  
Feast of St Vincent de Paul,  
Friday 27th September 2024 at 7pm

### 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

Or via the website [www.stpetersphibsboro.ie](http://www.stpetersphibsboro.ie)

- **DONATE** Button - St Peters Parish Pilgrimage

# LITURGICAL READINGS FOR: Sunday, 1 September 2024

## FIRST READING

A reading from the book of Deuteronomy

Moses said to the people: 'Now, Israel, take notice of the laws and customs that I teach you today, and observe them, that you may have life and may enter and take possession of the land that the Lord the God of your fathers is giving you. You must add nothing to what I command you, and take nothing from it, but keep the commandments of the Lord your God just as I lay them down for you. Keep them, observe them, and they will demonstrate to the peoples your wisdom and understanding. When they come to know of all these laws they will exclaim, "No other people is as wise and prudent as this great nation." And indeed, what great nation is there that has its gods so near as the Lord our God is to us whenever we call to him? And what great nation is there that has laws and customs to match this whole Law that I put before you today?'

The word of the Lord.

## RESPONSORIAL PSALM

**Response:** *The just will live in the presence of the Lord.*

## SECOND READING

A reading from the letter of St. James

It is all that is good, everything that is perfect, which is given us from above; it comes down from the Father of all light; with him there is no such thing as alteration, no shadow of a change. By his own choice he made us his children by the message of the truth so that we should be a sort of first-fruits of all that he had created. Accept and submit to the word which has been planted in you and can save your souls. But you must do what the word tells you, and not just listen to it and deceive yourselves. Pure, unspoiled religion, in the eyes of God our Father is this: coming to the help of orphans and widows when they need it, and keeping oneself uncontaminated by the world.

The word of the Lord.

## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

**Alleluia, alleluia! By his own choice the Father made us his children by the message of the truth, so that we should be a sort of first-fruits of all that he created. Alleluia!**

## GOSPEL

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark

The Pharisees and some of the scribes who had come from Jerusalem gathered round Jesus, and they noticed that some of his disciples were eating with unclean hands, that is, without washing them. For the Pharisees, and the Jews in general, follow the tradition of the elders and never eat without washing their arms as far as the elbow; and on returning from the market place they never eat without first sprinkling themselves. There are also many other observances which have been handed down to them concerning the washing of cups and pots and bronze dishes. So these Pharisees and scribes asked him, 'Why do your disciples not respect the tradition of the elders but eat their food with unclean hands?' He answered, 'It was of you hypocrites that Isaiah so rightly prophesied in this passage of scripture: This people honours me only with lip-service, while their hearts are far from me. The worship they offer me is worthless, the doctrines they teach are only human regulations. You put aside the commandment of God to cling to human traditions.' He called the people to him again and said, 'Listen to me all of you, and understand. Nothing that goes into a man from outside can make him unclean; it is the things that come out of a man that make him unclean. For it is from within, from men's hearts, that evil intentions emerge: fornication, theft, murder, adultery, avarice, malice, deceit, indecency, envy, slander, pride, folly. All these evil things come from within and make a man unclean.'

The Gospel of the Lord

## RCIA (RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION FOR ADULTS)

We will soon begin the work of preparation for adults desiring to become Catholics and for those wishing to enter into full communion in the Church. Anyone who is considering this step should contact the parish priest phone 01 8389708 or email: [pp@stpetersphibsboro.ie](mailto:pp@stpetersphibsboro.ie) The program will begin in late Sept.

## IN LOVING MEMORY

Please remember in your prayers all those who died recently especially Mairead Spellman (late of Shandon Park), Brian Duffy (late of Shandon Crescent), Rose McCabe and Willie King (former Sacristan).

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.**

## COLLECTIONS - Sunday 25 August

Parish (1st Collection, incl. Online)	= €1,298.50
Envelopes (Online/Payzone)	= € 430.20
Share (2nd Collection)	= € 307.10

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

**SATURDAY — 2-5pm St Peter's Church Garden**  
**SUNDAY — Workshops in Villa Bank Garden & Scout Hall**

**14-15 September**

**BUZZFEST**

Phibsboro's Sustainability, Biodiversity & Community Event



**Clothes Swap | Repair Café | Sustainable Energy**

**Workshops: Pond-building, Sustainable Fashion & Saving Food**

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