

St Peter's Church, Phibsborough Parish Newsletter

Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time: 13 October 2024

MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday, 13 October

Prisoners' Sunday

Michael Foley (RD)

Hilary Smith (MM)

Kathleen Heffernan (MM)

Eddie Lawrence (MM)

Patrick McCabe (A)

Teresa & James Murphy (A)

Michael & Larry O'Sullivan (D)

Monday, 14 October

St Callistus I, pope & martyr
Sr Clare Murphy (A)

Tuesday, 15 October

St Teresa of Avila, virgin & doctor of the Church, Patron of Spain

Martin Gilroy (2nd A)

Kathleen Hanlon (A)

Wednesday, 16 October

Ss Hedwig, religious, Margaret Mary Alacoque, virgin & Gall, abbot & missionary

E.O. Thomas (RD)

John Boyle (A)

Thursday, 17 October

St Ignatius of Antioch, bishop & martyr Walter & Kathleen Murphy (A)

Friday, 18 October

St Luke, Evangelist

Suzanne Miller (SI)

Kathleen, John & David Cullen (D)

Saturday, 19 October

Ss John de Brébeuf, Isaac Jogues, priests & Companions, martyrs

St Paul of the Cross, priest

Marion Grehan (Thanksgiving)

HEART OF THE MATTER: DESIRING WHAT'S RIGHT, REMOVING OBSTACLES

Foreword

Recently I was asked what inspires me to get up every day. I've thought a lot since about that question. I hope I try daily to serve God and neighbour. The 1st Reading from about 70 BC (Wisdom 7) sees the desire for God, God's purpose, as above all earthly riches. In Reading 2 (Hebrews 4) Scripture is shown as searching our heartfelt leanings, and draws us on to a full determined way of God's plan.

Answer to the greatest question

In today's Gospel (Mark 10) a man asks Jesus about life and its goal. But "something is lacking". He's very rich and is not ready to change. His fault is not in his reluctance to dispossess himself, but in falling short as a disciple, in desire for God and his plan. (Matthew's account of this story pitches the call of a special vocation for the man, in today's terms a vow of poverty).

Daily practice going forward

- 1. We seek to keep the commandments of our Catholic Church, having a good content of prayer each day, and not only in October, we try to say the daily Rosary to experience the life of Christ and the intercession of Mary.
- **2.** Disciples of Jesus have desire for God. "Oh God, you are my God, for you long." (Ps. 62)
- **3.** We oppose our appetites, that are evil, or lead us away from God, granting that we have human needs, but not out of abuse or excess. We keep a good balance, through prayer, activity, leisure, family and community.

"The Christian life is the continuation of the life of Christ in us. Let us therefore give ourselves to God and desire to live a holy life." **St John Eudes** (1601-1680).

Fr Eamon Flanagan CM

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

Two Adoration Lay Committees are being developed in order to increase the practice throughout the Archdiocese. You are welcome to an Information Meeting, 8.00pm - 9.30pm in one of three locations:

Mon 14 Oct Holy Child Centre, Whitehall

Wed 16 Oct Parish Centre, Kilmacud

Thu 17 Oct Holy Redeemer Hall, Bray

See poster in the church for further details of how to attend.

REMEMBRANCE MASS

Saturday 2nd November 2024 at 6.30pm

All are welcome

ST BERNADETTE - RELIC PILGRIMAGE

The **Relics of St Bernadette** will visit:
Mary Immaculate, Inchicore, Oct 23-24, and
Adam & Eve's, Merchants Quay, Oct 25-26.
For more information, visit: www.stbernadette.ie.

LITURGICAL READINGS FOR: Sunday, 13 October 2024

FIRST READING

A reading from the Book of Wisdom

I prayed, and understanding was given me; I entreated, and the Spirit of Wisdom came to me. I esteemed her more than sceptres and thrones; compared with her, I held riches as nothing. I reckoned no priceless stone to be her peer, for compared with her, all gold is a pinch of sand, and beside her silver ranks as mud. I loved her more than health or beauty, preferred her to the light, since her radiance never sleeps. In her company all good things came to me, at her hands riches not to be numbered. The Word of the Lord

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Response: Fill us with your love that we may rejoice.

SECOND READING

A reading from the letter of to the Hebrews

The word of God is something alive and active: it cuts like any double-edged sword but more finely: it can slip through the place where the soul is divided from the spirit, or joints from the marrow; it can judge the secret emotions and thoughts.

No created thing can hide from him; everything is uncovered and open to the eyes of the one to whom we must give account of ourselves.

The Word of the Lord.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia!
Blessed are you, Father,
Lord of heaven and earth,
for revealing the mysteries of the kingdom
to mere children.
Alleluia!

GOSPEL

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark

Jesus was setting out on a journey when a man ran up, knelt before him and put this guestion to him,

'Good master, what must I do to inherit eternal life?' Jesus said to him,

'Why do you call me good? No one is good but God alone. You know the commandments: You must not kill; You must not commit adultery; You must not steal; You must not bring false witness; You must not defraud; Honour your father and mother.' And he said to him.

'Master, I have kept all these from my earliest days.'
Jesus looked steadily at him and loved him, and he said,
'There is one thing you lack. Go and sell everything you own
and give the money to the poor, and you will have treasure in
heaven: then come, follow me.'

But his face fell at these words and he went away sad, for he was a man of great wealth.

Jesus looked round and said to his disciples, 'How hard it is for those who have riches to enter the kingdom of God!'

The disciples were astounded by these words, but Jesus insisted, 'My children,' he said to them, 'how hard it is to enter the kingdom of God! It is easier for a camel to pass through the eye of a needle than for a rich man to enter the kingdom of God.' They were more astonished than ever.

'In that case' they said to one another 'who can be saved?' Jesus gazed at them.

'For men' he said 'it is impossible, but not for God: because everything is possible for God.'

Peter took this up. 'What about us?' he asked him. 'We have left everything and followed you.' Jesus said, 'I tell you solemnly, there is no one who has left house, brothers, sisters, father, children or land for my sake and for the sake of the gospel who will not be repaid a hundred times over, houses, brothers, sisters, mothers, children and land – not without persecutions – now in this present time and, in the world to come, eternal life.' The Gospel of the Lord.

IN LOVING MEMORY

Please remember in your prayers all those who died recently especially Michael Foley (Cabra Road) & Austin Lynch (former weekday reader at St Peter's).

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 -	Sun 29 Sept 8	& Sun 6 Oct
Parish (1st Collection, incl. Online)	= €1,533.20	= €1,188.13
Envelopes (Online/Payzone)	= € 748.20	= € 282.20
Share (2nd Collection)	= € 312.84	= € 278.83

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

SVP COLLECTION

St Peter's Conference of the Society of St Vincent De Paul will have their monthly collection at all Masses this weekend, 12th/13th October.