



**WHITEFRIAR STREET CHURCH**  
*The Church of Our Lady of Mount Carmel  
& Shrine of Saint Valentine*

August 25, 2019  
Twenty-first Sunday  
in Ordinary Time

**SACRAMENTS**

**Masses**

**Sundays:**

Vigil 6.00pm

AM: 8.00, 10.30, 11.30

PM: 12.30, 4.00, 7.00

**Weekdays:**

AM: 8.00, 10.00, 11.30

PM: 1.10, 3.00

**Bank Holidays:**

AM: 10.00, 11.30

**Holy days:**

according to the day of the  
week

**Confessions**

**Monday to Friday:**

10.30-11.30; 3.00-4.00

**Saturdays:**

10.30-12.30, 2.00-4.00

**Devotions at 2.30pm**

**Monday: Miraculous**

Medal – Rosary &  
Benediction

**Friday: Exposition of the**

Blessed Sacrament –  
silent prayer

**Saturday: Our Lady of**

Mount Carmel – Rosary  
& Benediction

**St Jude Novena**

Tuesdays at 8.00pm

including blessing with the  
Relics of St Jude and of St  
Thérèse of Lisieux

Living abroad?

Join us for liturgy through  
our webcam.



*Try your best to enter through the narrow door...*

In the gospel, we are presented with the image of many people trying to enter God's house together. Jesus was asked about how many people would be saved and, in response, he urged his listeners to do their best to enter heaven. However, he also said that this was not the easiest thing to do for the door is narrow, and so not everyone will gain entry.

Over the last few Sundays there has been the reminder to be always ready because we don't know when we will be called to give an account of our lives and how we lived the faith. Those who will not believe in Jesus Christ or in his message until it is too late will be left out in the cold, whereas the faithful will enter paradise to take their places along with the prophets of old.

Being faithful to the Lord is not simply a matter of attending Mass once a week and saying a few prayers each day. Being truly faithful to the Lord means allowing the prayers we say and what we hear at Mass to have an effect on our lives, it means allowing the Word of God to change our lives for the better, it means that we must convert our lives more and more to the sort of life the Lord is calling us to live. At all times we must be found living in the presence of the Lord which is what the Lord was pointing at in the gospel passage: those who were outside knocking to get in said that they had once been in his company, in other words there was a time when their faith was strong but they had let it lapse and become mere lip service.

All of this took place while Jesus was on his final journey to Jerusalem. It is a reminder to us that we must live up to our responsibilities as baptised Christians sooner rather than later, and to take an active part in the spread of the Gospel.

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### THIS WEEK'S LITURGICAL CALENDAR

Sunday 25: Ordinary Time – Sunday 21  
Monday 26: Ordinary Time – Week 21  
Tuesday 27: St Monica  
Wednesday 28: St Augustine  
Thursday 29: Beheading of John the Baptist  
Friday 30: Ordinary Time – Week 21  
Saturday 31: Ordinary Time – Week 21

### A SAINT OR TWO THIS WEEK...

#### St Monica and St Augustine

Born in North Africa to a Christian family in 332, Monica married a pagan, Patricius, who was converted due to her gentle ways. She then spent her energies in converting her eldest son, Augustine, who was born in 354. He studied law and spent several years of his life following the ways of Manichaeism, and also fathered a child with his mistress. He was converted through the prayers of his mother, Monica, with the help of St Ambrose, Bishop of Milan, who baptised him in 387. Monica died not long afterwards while Augustine was taking her home to North Africa. Her last words, recorded in Augustine's writings were: *'Lay this body wherever it may be. Let no care of it disturb you: this only I ask of you that you should remember me at the altar of the Lord wherever you may be'* (*Confessions*, Book 9, Chapter 11). In Africa, Augustine was made Bishop of Hippo (today Annaba, Algeria) in 396, where he established communities of priests and nuns. His Rule for religious institutes is the basis for many Congregations and Institutes of Apostolic Life today. He became the greatest of the Latin Fathers of the Church and spent much of his energies fighting heresies. His two best known works are *'The Confessions'* and *'De Civitate Dei'* (*'City of God'*) which are still influential today. He died in 430.

### CHURCH SHOP, MASS OFFICE & GENERAL ENQUIRIES

Sunday: 10.00am - 2.00pm  
Monday to Friday: 8.30am - 5.00pm.  
Tuesday extra: 7.30pm - 8.15pm  
Saturday: 9.30am - 6.00pm  
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### SOCIETY OF ST VINCENT DE PAUL

Members meet each Monday evening to consider requests. For those living within our parish, requests can be made by text to 085 789 8699. For those outside the parish, please ring 01 855 0022.

### Crosscare Annual Collection

Crosscare was founded in 1941 and is the Social Support Agency of the Catholic Archdiocese of Dublin. Crosscare provides a range of social care, community and youth work services across the archdiocese including programmes to help those who are homeless, food services, youth programmes and more. The annual collection replaces the Share Collection (red baskets) at all the Sunday Masses next weekend, August 31 and September 1.

*Ab! How contrary are the teachings of Jesus to the feelings of nature! Without the help of His grace it would be impossible not only to put them into practice, but to even understand them.*

*Saint Thérèse of the Child Jesus and the Holy Face  
Carmelite Nun, Doctor of the Church  
1873 – 1897*

Late have I loved you, O Beauty so ancient and so new: late have I loved you. And see, you were within and I was in the external world and sought you there, and in my unlovely state I plunged into those lovely created things which you made. You were with me, and I was not with you. The lovely things kept me far from you, though if they did not have their existence in you, they had no existence at all. You called and cried out loud and shattered my deafness. You were radiant and resplendent, you put to flight my blindness. You were fragrant, and I drew in my breath and now pant after you. I tasted you, and I feel but hunger and thirst for you. You touched me, and I am set on fire to attain the peace which is yours.

*St Augustine of Hippo  
Bishop & Doctor of the Church  
354 – 430*

### PARISH OFFICE

For certificates of Baptism, Confirmation and Marriage, or to book a baptism or a wedding.  
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### CARMELITE COMMUNITY CENTRE

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