



WHITEFRIAR STREET CHURCH
*The Church of Our Lady of Mount Carmel
& Shrine of Saint Valentine, Dublin 2*

September 6, 2020
Twenty-third Sunday
of Ordinary Time

SACRAMENTS

Masses

Sundays:

AM: 8.00, 10.30

PM: 12.30, 4.00

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:

AM: 10.30-11.30

PM: 3.00-4.00

Saturdays:

AM: 10.30-12.30

PM: 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*

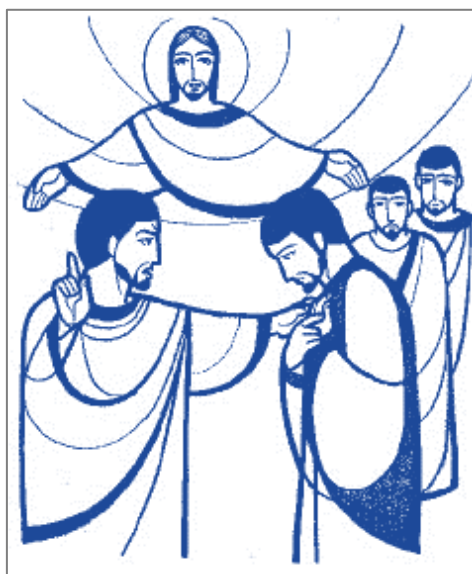
St Jude Novena Mass

Tuesdays at 8.00pm

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

*Living abroad or
unable to attend?*

*Join us for liturgy
through our webcam*




If your brother does something wrong...

In the gospel for the twenty-third Sunday, Jesus echoes the words of Ezekiel in the first reading that we must try to win people back to the right road to eternal life. Ezekiel was told that he was to be a sentry to the House of Israel, that is to say that he was to be a protector or guardian of the faith and how it was lived because without that duty, the faith would be corrupted and the people would live in ways which were not in keeping with God's will for them.

In the gospel passage, the Lord gives a procedure for correcting the actions of another: they are to be spoken to privately in the first instance; they are to be spoken to in the presence of two or three witnesses in keeping with the laws in Deuteronomy if they refuse to listen; it is to be passed to the community for a decision if the wrong-doing persists and the individual still refuses to change their ways; finally, if the person refuses to amend their ways, they are to be treated like the pagans or tax collectors were, in other words they should be cast out and essentially excommunicated from the worshipping community.

However, this doesn't allow us on our own to judge others and cast them aside; that is an action reserved to the community with its leaders because it is a serious action, though one which could, perhaps, bring the sinner back to the right path. It is not the easiest thing to tell people that they are not living in keeping with the Gospel, especially today, and yet that is what we are challenged to do. A way of doing it is to give a very good example of Christian living in our own lives and let others see faith in action, let others see that living the faith is a happy and fulfilling thing and so encourage them to look at how they are living and to change their ways where necessary.

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THIS WEEK'S LITURGICAL CALENDAR

Sunday 6:	Ordinary Time – Sunday 23
Monday 7:	Ordinary Time – Week 23
Tuesday 8:	Our Lady of Dublin
Wednesday 9:	Ordinary Time – Week 23
Thursday 10:	Ordinary Time – Week 23
Friday 11:	Ordinary Time – Week 23
Saturday 12:	Ordinary Time – Week 23

A SAINT OR TWO THIS WEEK...

MEMORIAL OF THE NATIVITY OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY, OUR LADY OF DUBLIN

Though we do not know the year or the day when our Blessed Lady was born, we keep this memorial in her honour. There is also nothing recorded in the four Gospels of her life though there are some stories about her in the gnostic gospels, though nothing can be verified. In July we kept the memorial of her parents, known as Joachim and Anne (Anna), again reminding us of the fact that Mary was a human and was born just like us.

In Whitefriar Street Church, this is also the Memorial of Our Lady of Dublin, the patron of the city. The statue of the Madonna and Child is of oak and is believed to have been carved before the Reformation and may have been in the Cistercian Abbey of St Mary in what is today's Abbey Street. The statue was bought and restored by Fr John Spratt, O.Carm., founder of this church, in the 1800s.

MASS OFFICE, CHURCH SHOP & GENERAL ENQUIRIES

Sunday: 10.00am - 2.00pm
Monday to Friday: 8.30am - 5.00pm.
Tuesday extra: 7.30pm - 8.15pm
Saturday: 9.30am - 5.00pm
Other enquiries: ☎ 01 475 8821
Email: shop@whitefriarstreetchurch.ie

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.

REMAINING VIGILANT

While Covid-19 is a significant threat, we recommend the following to those coming to our church:

- Wear a face mask or face shield while in the building, even during Mass.
- Sanitise your hands when entering the building.
- Keep a safe distance from others and avoid crowding, particularly at the end of Mass or while lighting candles.
- Receive Holy Communion on the open, clean, bare hand only.
- Follow a one-way system in coming to Holy Communion.
- Follow the instructions of our staff in the church and shop.

People can bring a clean bottle of tap water to church and it can be blessed by a priest, or they can buy a bottle in the Church Shop and we will fill it for them (there is no charge for the holy water).

NUMBERS ABLE TO ATTEND MASS

As the numbers able to be in the church at any one time are still severely restricted, there will be times when we will have to close the church gate while Mass is being celebrated. Please be understanding if our sacristans have already closed the gate when you arrive. If attending an anniversary Mass, please arrive at least fifteen minutes early. For those unable to attend due to restrictions on numbers, all our Masses are livestreamed in our website.

I know now that true charity consists in bearing all our neighbours' defects – not being surprised at their weakness, but edified at their smallest virtues.

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

PARISH OFFICE

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