



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

August 9, 2020
Nineteenth 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*



He went towards them, walking on the lake

In the gospel, we read of how Jesus demonstrated his power over the physical forces of nature by calming the wind and walking on water. He had sent the disciples ahead of him in the boat while he took time on his own to converse with the Father, a reminder of the importance of prayer and making time for that personal connection with God. When he came to the lake, the boat was making slow progress due to the wind and so Jesus walked to them on the water, and this so took them by surprise that they thought they were seeing a ghost. Peter, initially with a certain bravado, begins to walk on the water but he starts to doubt and so sinks into the lake. When the Lord gets into the boat the wind dies down and the disciples bow down before him acknowledging that he is the Son of God, a profession which Peter would make on behalf of the group at a later date.

In the tradition of the time, seas represented chaos and the fight of evil against good and so the episode shows that Jesus triumphs quite easily over chaos and evil. The Church is often represented by a boat – the barque of Peter – and so the wind represents those things which assail the Church. In this case, Peter stepping into the water shows a certain bravery, but one which is only truly successful if it is built on a solid foundation of faith and which has Jesus Christ at the centre of its vision.

The Lord is always with us whether it be in mighty power or in gentle breeze and, as with the disciples, he also says to us, *'Do not be afraid'*. While God is the Creator of all that is, he doesn't always make his presence known in a great show of power but is also to be seen and felt even in the quietest and most still moments in life, particularly when we take time to pray to him and lay out our problems before him.

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THIS WEEK'S LITURGICAL CALENDAR

Sunday 9:	Ordinary Time – Sunday 19
Monday 10:	St Lawrence
Tuesday 11:	St Clare
Wednesday 12:	Ordinary Time – Week 19
Thursday 13:	Ordinary Time – Week 19
Friday 14:	St Maximilian Kolbe
Saturday 15:	Assumption of the B.V.M.

A SAINT OR TWO THIS WEEK...

ST LAWRENCE, DEACON AND MARTYR

Lawrence was one of the seven deacons in Rome under Pope St Sixtus II, and was martyred three days after the pope in 258. Following the death of Pope Sixtus, Lawrence was ordered to turn over to the Roman authorities the treasures of the Church. He quickly distributed whatever wealth there was to the poor of Rome and, according to tradition, presented the poor to the authorities as the treasure of the Church. Lawrence was martyred by being roasted alive on a grid-iron. He is remembered in the Roman Canon of the Mass (Eucharistic Prayer I).

ST CLARE, VIRGIN AND RELIGIOUS

Clare was born in 1193 in Assisi, in the central Italian region of Umbria, and left home at the age of eighteen to join St Francis of Assisi. Influenced by his ideas, she established the first convent of Franciscan nuns – today known as the Poor Clares – at San Damiano, close to Assisi, and spent the rest of her life in that convent. She died in 1253 and was canonized two years later.

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@whitefriarstrectchurch.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 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 in the 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

There will be times when we will have to close the church gate while Mass is being celebrated because of the numbers permitted to be in the building. Please be understanding if our sacristans have already closed the gate when you arrive.

THANK YOU

We continue to be extremely grateful to all those who have made donations to keep the church going over these last number of months. You are remembered in our prayers and at Mass.

SOCIETY OF ST VINCENT DE PAUL

The Society of St Vincent de Paul have been unable to hold their monthly church gate collections though they continue to receive requests for help during these uncertain and financially difficult times for many households, particularly as families prepare for children returning to school. Donations can be put in an envelope and marked 'St Vincent de Paul' and given in at the Church Shop or by donating online at: www.svp.ie

PARISH OFFICE

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