



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

February 7, 2021  
The Fifth Sunday in  
Ordinary Time

**SACRAMENTS**

*Under Government  
restrictions*

**Private Prayer**

*Monday to Saturday:*

*11.00am to 2.30pm.*

*Sunday:*

*11.30am to 3.15pm*

**Masses**

*Mass will be available  
live through our website:*

*Monday to Saturday:*

*8.00am, 10.00am,*

*3.00pm*

*Sunday:*

*8.00am, 10.30am,*

*4.00pm*

*Names can be enrolled  
for Mass and will be  
remembered and prayed  
for on the day requested.*

**St Jude Novena**

*This continues to be  
celebrated on Tuesdays at  
8.00pm and will be  
livestreamed in our  
website. The blessing  
with the Relics of St Jude  
and of St Thérèse of  
Lisieux will take place.*

**Confessions**

*Monday to Saturday:*

*11.00am to 12.00pm*

**Baptisms & Weddings**

*Please contact the parish  
office if you have a  
baptism or wedding  
booked at this time.*

*Join us for liturgy  
through our webcam*



Christ healing the mother of Simon Peter by John Bridges

This weekend's gospel passage takes up where we left off last week and we see Jesus leaving the synagogue – where he had released a man from his possession by evil spirits – and continuing on with the rest of the day. A series of miracles and cures took place beginning with St Peter's mother-in-law, who had been in bed with a fever. When they arrived at the house, the disciples told Jesus about the woman and Jesus took her by the hand and helped her up. Immediately she began to wait on Jesus and his companions demonstrating how immediate and complete the healing was – she didn't need any further recuperation or time to regain her strength. The healings and cures continued into the evening and both men and women benefitted from this. Evil demons, too, were cast out but they were not allowed to reveal the Lord's true identity because the people had to come to this themselves through listening and taking to heart the Lord's preaching. During the night, Jesus went to a lonely place to pray to the Father and in the morning, when the disciples came to bring him back to Capernaum to continue the miracles, he headed off with them to other towns to spread the message.

We do not have Jesus with us in the same way as the people in the gospel had, but we do have him present in our tabernacles and present in the words of sacred scripture. We are challenged to listen to the words of Jesus Christ and to put our trust in them knowing that they will bring us healing and comfort and free us from all that would enslave us in this life. The words and message of Jesus Christ are the antidote to the misery and hopelessness which so many people experience in this life, and particularly in these uncertain days of pandemic restrictions.

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### THIS WEEK'S LITURGICAL CALENDAR

Sunday 7: Ordinary Time – Sunday 5  
Monday 8: Ordinary Time – Week 5  
Tuesday 9: Ordinary Time – Week 5  
Wednesday 10: St Scholastica  
Thursday 11: Ordinary Time – Week 5  
Friday 12: Ordinary Time – Week 5  
Saturday 13: Ordinary Time – Week 5

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

#### ST SCHOLASTICA, VIRGIN

Scholastica was born in Umbria, central Italy, in the late fifth century into a wealthy family and was the sister of St Benedict, possibly his twin. She became a nun and eventually was prioress of her monastery near Monte Cassino, on the west coast of Italy, which she ran under the direction and guidance of her brother. Benedict established the Benedictines and Scholastica is regarded as the foundress of the Benedictine Nuns. She died in 543/547.



### MASS OFFICE, CHURCH SHOP & GENERAL ENQUIRIES

Monday to Saturday: 9.30am – 3.00pm  
Items can be ordered by phone or through our online shop and they will be sent out by post.  
Shop and all other enquiries: ☎ 01 475 8821  
Email: [shop@whitefriarstrectchurch.ie](mailto:shop@whitefriarstrectchurch.ie)  
Web: <https://shop.whitefriarstrectchurch.com/>

### 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 strongly recommend and ask all those visiting our church to adhere to the following:

- **Wear a face mask at all times** while in the building no matter how many others are there.
- Wear a face mask when in the confessional.
- Sanitise your hands when entering the building.
- Keep a safe distance from others when seated and avoid crowding, particularly when lighting candles and visiting the Crib.
- Follow the instructions of our staff in the church and shop.

People may 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).

### ACCORD DUBLIN ANNUAL COLLECTION

Next Sunday, February 13 and 14, the annual collection for Accord Dublin – The Catholic Marriage Care Service in Dublin Archdiocese – will be taken up. Accord was established by the Irish Catholic Bishops in 1962 to provide support and advice for those preparing for marriage, counselling and support for those experiencing difficulties in their marriage, and a Relationship and Sexuality Programme for schools.

O how gently and how lovingly dost thou lie awake in the depth and centre of my soul, where thou in secret and in silence alone, as its sole Lord, abidest, not only as in Thine own house or in Thine own chamber, but also as within my own bosom, in close and intimate union.

*Saint John of the Cross  
Carmelite Priest, Doctor of the Church  
1542 – 1591*

### PARISH OFFICE

For certificates of Baptism, Confirmation and Marriage, or to book a baptism or a wedding.

Email: [parish@whitefriarstrectchurch.ie](mailto:parish@whitefriarstrectchurch.ie)

### CARMELITE COMMUNITY CENTRE

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