



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

September 13, 2020
Twenty-fourth
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*



St Peter asked the Lord how often he had to forgive his brother and Jesus responded with a parable to demonstrate how far we must go in forgiving others. In the parable we are presented with a king who had two servants, the first of whom owed the king an enormous sum of money equivalent to €10m, while the second servant owed the first servant a very small sum of money, about €15. The first servant was pardoned of his debt by the king but then he refused to pardon the second servant despite the example and generosity that had been shown to him. There is a reminder that if we are to expect forgiveness from God and from others then we ourselves must forgive those who we perceive to have wronged us.

The parable is a reminder that we cannot abuse the mercy of God: just because we have been forgiven of one sin doesn't give us licence to go and commit another act of wrong-doing. God does indeed love each of us, but his love and mercy are not to be taken for granted and cannot be taken lightly. At the same time, the forgiveness we extend to others cannot be mere words but must be genuine and from the heart, which means that there can be no resentment, only genuine love for the other person no matter what they may have done. This is a part of the Lord's Prayer which we must put into action every day – *forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us.*

We are called to remember the covenants with God who forgave humankind again and again, despite their sinful ways. Peter had asked if he had to forgive his brother just seven times but Jesus' response that he should forgive seventy-seven times was saying that there should be no limit to the amount of times we are to forgive, especially when the person seeking forgiveness is genuine.

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THIS WEEK'S LITURGICAL CALENDAR

Sunday 13: Ordinary Time – Sunday 24
Monday 14: Exaltation of the Holy Cross
Tuesday 15: Our Lady of Sorrows
Wednesday 16: Saints Cornelius & Cyprian
Thursday 17: St Albert of Jerusalem
Friday 18: Ordinary Time – Week 24
Saturday 19: Ordinary Time – Week 24

A SAINT OR TWO THIS WEEK...

MARTYRS POPE ST CORNELIUS & ST CYPRIAN, BISHOP

Cornelius was elected pope in 251 and was martyred under the persecutions of Emperor Gallus in 253. During the persecutions under the Roman emperors, many Christians left the faith to save their lives, eventually returning to the faith before they died or when the persecutions eased. Cornelius and Novatian clashed over this with Novatian maintaining that such people should not be re-admitted to the faith, whereas Cornelius was more pastorally sensitive and forgiving. Part of this clash saw Novatian have himself elected as pope in opposition to Cornelius (Novatian was anti-pope from 251 to 258).

Caecilius Cyprianus was born in North Africa at the start of the third century and became a lawyer before converting to Christianity, being appointed bishop of Carthage in 249. He is remembered with Cornelius because he supported Cornelius in the struggle against Novatian and was beheaded on September 14, 258, on the instruction of Emperor Valerian.

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
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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.

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.

CULTURE NIGHT 2020

We hope that Whitefriar Street Church will be part of the annual Culture Night events. The church will hopefully remain open on Friday, September 18, until 9.00pm.

The good you do today may be forgotten tomorrow.
Do good anyway.

St Teresa of Kolkata

PARISH OFFICE

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

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