

## Parish Notices

### COLLECTIONS

Offertory: €1302

Share: €422

Envelope: €725

### ACCORD DUBLIN

The Annual Collection for ACCORD Dublin, the Marriage Care Service of the Archdiocese of Dublin, will be taken up at all Masses next Sunday, 13th February. It will replace the Share Collection. As no collection was taken up last year, we ask you to be as generous as possible.

### RECENTLY DECEASED

Please pray for the repose of the soul of **Patricia Mullarkey**, Old Bawn, whose funeral was from this Church during the week.



**11th – 19th February 2022 (Fri – Sat)**

Weekdays: 10.00am

Sunday (13th Feb): 3.00pm (with the Sacrament of the Sick)

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**Preacher: Fr Colm Mannion OP**

St. Mary's Priory, Tallaght  
(Director of Vocations and Provincial Promoter of the Rosary)



### SYNOD PRAYER

We stand before You, Holy Spirit,  
as we gather together in Your name.

With You alone to guide us,  
make Yourself at home in our hearts;

Teach us the way we must go  
and how we are to pursue it.

We are weak and sinful;  
do not let us promote disorder.

Do not let ignorance lead us down the  
wrong path

nor partiality influence our actions.

Let us find in You our unity  
so that we may journey together to eternal  
life

and not stray from the way of truth  
and what is right.

All this we ask of You,  
who are at work in every place and time,  
in the communion of the Father and the  
Son,  
forever and ever.  
Amen.

### Mass Schedule

- **Weekdays** – 8.00am, 10.00am and 1.00pm
- **Saturday** – 8.00am and 10.00am + Vigil Sunday Mass 7.30pm
- **Sunday** – 8.00am, 10.00am, 12.00pm and 6.00pm
- **Polish Mass** – 1st and 3rd Sunday of each month at 4.30pm

# PRIORY NEWSLETTER

St. Mary's Dominican Priory - Tallaght, 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday of the Year (C), 6<sup>th</sup> FEB 2022

## THE LORD'S PARTNER

This Gospel passage opens with Jesus doing what we would expect him to be doing. He was teaching the word of God and people were listening to him eagerly. That is everyone but Peter and his companions. They were washing their fishing nets after a bad night. They had caught nothing for all their troubles. “Not to worry”, thought Jesus and he borrowed Peter's boat as a pulpit for his sermon.

Jesus did not bring the ‘good news’ to Peter's crew. He invited him to throw out the newly washed nets for a catch. Peter and his men in their two boats knew perfectly well that no fish was going to be foolish enough to get caught. Peter wanted Jesus to know that he was all wrong about fishing so he pointed out to him what a foolish favour he was asking. He should listen to Peter, not interfere. And Jesus did not interfere; he let Peter cast out the sparkling net.

There was such a good streak in Peter. He respected Jesus no end so, calling him “Master” he let go of his nets and began what he thought was going to be such a futile action. How wrong he was.



Two things happened. First, he enclosed a great shoal of fish. Not just a few big fish but a whole shoal. Second, their nets were breaking. They had to seek assistance from the fishermen in the second boat to help them and both boats almost sank with the huge catch. Now Peter was embarrassed. He fell at Jesus' feet as the sinner he felt he was and addressed him by his most religious name “Lord”.

Two things followed on this miracle immediately, neither of which Peter was expecting. Jesus told him not to be afraid but to have courage. Why? Because Jesus was going to have Peter help him in their work together. From now onward they would help each other and help so many people be saved. This is an excellent time to work out where you fit into the divine plans. As Jesus just said: “Do not be afraid”

Read full commentary by +Fr. Paschal Tiernan at  
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