

**St Aidan's Parish Church**

**Mass Times**

**Sunday Masses** Saturday Vigil 6.00 pm, Sunday 10.00 am and 12 Noon.

**Holyday of Obligation** Vigil 7.30pm, 10.00am and 7.30pm

**Weekdays** 8.15am (Monday to Friday) and 10.00 am (daily)

**Confessions** After all Saturday Masses

**Parish Ministers' Rota**

**14th February 2010**

Mass	Eucharistic Ministers	Readers
<b>Vigil</b>	B. Higgins, E. Lynn, S. Woods.	P. Devine.
<b>10.00am</b>	E. Grattan, E. Campbell	J. Sneddon, K. McGinley
<b>12 Noon</b>	J. McCann, J. Slavin	E. Pearson, P. Allison

**Today's Mass**

Today's readings focus on three different people who come to believe. Before they came to faith, they all respond with fear, with hesitation, or with a deep sense of their own unworthiness. Yet they become convinced of the reality of the presence of God, and it's a presence to which they have to respond.

Isaiah was given a vision of God enthroned above, surrounded by the heavenly court. The prophet trembled before such holiness and was deeply conscious of his own sinfulness, but once purged of his uncleanness he was ready to be sent to preach the message of a holy God to an unjust society.

Paul was called by the Christ whom he had persecuted and this turned his view of the world upside down. He was aware of his past failings but this did not deter him, for he was convinced that he had been called by Christ to be his apostle to the Gentiles.

Simon Peter was neither prophet nor scholar, but a rough fisherman. He was reluctant to Jesus' command to cast his nets again. The abundant catch of fish which almost burst the nets was for Peter the sign of a divine presence and he was afraid: "Leave me, Lord; I am a sinful man." But Jesus is not so easily put off. Peter, his fears allayed, is convinced by his experience of the divine presence in Jesus and leaves everything and follows Him.

**Collection for Haiti**

**The second collection TODAY will be for the work of SCIAF in Haiti  
Please be as generous as you can.**

# St Aidan's Parish Bulletin

*5th Sunday of Year C*

*7th February 2010*



*"Do not be afraid, from now on  
it is men you will catch."*

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**Week 5 of Year 2, Sundays Year C**

**Tuesday 2nd February Feast of the Presentation of the Lord.** This feast, 40 days after Christmas, was formerly called Candlemas because candles were blessed on this day before the candlelight procession that was held to mark the Lord's presentation in the Temple., 40 days after his birth, in accordance with Jewish Law.

**Friday 5th February St Agatha.** Martyred at Catania in Sicily, probably during the persecution of Decius. She is among the saints commemorated in the Roman Canon.

**Saturday 6th February St Paul Miki and Companions.** Born in Japan about 1565, Paul Miki entered the Society of Jesus and was a successful preacher of the Gospel. He was tortured and crucified at Nagasaki on 5th February 1597 along with 25 companions, 6 of whom were European Franciscan missionaries, the rest were laypeople, one from Korea and the others from Japan.

**N.B. 8.15am Mass (Monday to Friday) restarts on Monday 8th February.**

**50th Anniversary**

All members of the Anniversary Committee who have email addresses are asked to send details of their email address to staidanswishaw@live.co.uk or to give a note of their address and phone number to the parish house to facilitate the circulation of minutes etc.

**Anniversary Newsletter**

A new edition of the Anniversary Newsletter is now available. Please take a copy for each family so that you are up to date with what's happening.

**Youth Club**

**St Aidan's Youth Club is now full with 90 members. Anyone wishing to join the Club will have to go on a waiting list. For further details contact Cathy on 01698 383553.**

**This Sunday is Education Sunday**

which starts off Catholic Education Week. The Theme this year is *'The Shining Light of Christ'*.

The focus of Catholic Education Week this Year is on emphasising the vision and the values of Catholic schools.

A leaflet, prepared by the Head Teacher, has been distributed to parents of St Aidan's Primary. Copies are available at the church door.

Marriage Preparation Course 2010 will take place on Saturdays 20th and 27th March. See poster on notice board for details.

**Our Lady Of Lourdes**

**Celebrations at Carfin Grotto**  
**Wednesday 10th February 7.30pm**  
**Marian Torchlight Procession**  
**Thursday 11th February 10.00am**  
**Mass in St Francis Xavier Church**  
**11.30am Eucharistic Adoration in Glass Chapel until 4.00pm**  
**1.00pm Mass and Sacrament of the Sick in St Francis Xavier Church.**

**Please pray for:**

**The Recently Deceased:** Eddie Higgins, Angus McLean, Nancy Burns, Margaret Scullion, Patrick Arley (Snr), Susan Paton, Barbara Devanny, Jim Dale.

**The Anniversaries and Month's Mind of:** Billy Wilson, Thomas & Mary O'Neill, John Francis Feenan, James Cassidy, Danny Hawkins, Joe Rooney, Joseph & Anthony Crumley, Elizabeth Sanders, Joseph Carroll, Elizabeth McCloy, Francis & John Murphy, Arthur, Sarah, Mary & May Grant, Betty Taylor.

**Haiti Update from SCIAF**

**Up to 200,000 people were killed and up to 3 million have lost their homes.**

Immediately after the disaster struck, our partners on the ground began to distribute tents and food supplies that they already had in stock. Many of them had lost loved ones and seen all that they owned turn to rubble. The following day, an emergency response team from *Caritas Internationalis* - the global network of Catholic aid agencies of which CIAF is a part - made its way to Haiti. They conducted a full assessment of the situation to work out how best to respond in order to make the biggest impact.

Among their initial distribution were 200,000 blankets, tablets for water purification and storage as well as food, hygiene kits and shelter for 12,000 people. Within the first few days the two operating theatres at one of the main hospitals were rehabilitated and working round the clock. Six mobile clinics were also set up to help care for thousands of injured people.

Today, over 100,000 people living in 20 small and one major makeshift camps are receiving our food

packages (containing items such as rice, beans, sardines, milk, juice and cooking oil), cooking materials, hygiene kits, first aid and medical supplies, shelter and clean water supplies.

A ship carrying 15,000 tons of food, shelter and other essentials berthed at Port-au-Prince on 2nd February.

*Caritas* has also started a 'cash for work' programme, employing local people to help clear debris from the streets and to dig latrines at the temporary camps.

In the coming months much more will need to be done to rebuild communities and people's lives. With your support we will be there to respond.

**The second collection at all Masses today will be for SCIAF's Haiti Appeal.**

**You can also donate to the appeal at [sciaf.org.uk](http://sciaf.org.uk) or 0141 354 5555.**

**White Mass.**

A Mass for all Health Care Workers will be held on Our Lady of Lourdes Church Lourdes Avenue Cardonal on Sunday 14th February at 3.00pm.

**PARISH NOTICES**

**BINGO** Live bingo in the hall every Sunday at 7.30pm.

**STALL** In the hall after both Sunday Masses.

**MEN's CLUB** meets in the hall every Thursday at 7.30pm. Men's Club monthly Mass is held on the 1st Thursday of the month. .

**RCIA** The RCIA Team meets on Monday 8th February at 7.30pm in Parish house. Intimations for the sick, the recently deceased, anniversaries and all other items for the bulletin must reach the Parish priest by Thursday for inclusion in the next bulletin. We acknowledge the assistance of *Intercom* and of Redemptorist Publications in the preparation of this bulletin.