

Church of Our Mother of Divine Grace, Ballygall
Sunday, 19th April 2020 Second Sunday of Easter/
Divine Mercy Sunday.

All Services are viewable only online. Unless specified they are broadcast from Ballygall church.

Monday 20th April to Sunday 26th April.

Mon	10.00	Special Intention
Tues	10.00	Paul Cottrel and Eamonn Byrne
Wed	10.00	Thomas Arnold
	7.30pm	Eucharistic Holy Hour
Thurs	10.00	Lillian & Jack Gaughran. Bernie & John Finnerty. Ellen Walsh
Fri	10.00	Christopher and Margaret Wyse.
Sat	10.00	For All Our Parishioners and Your Intentions.
	6.30 pm	Months Mind Remembrance: Peter McGuire, Anniversaries: John & Sheila Cunningham.
Sun	9.30	Mass will be available on website. (www.rednuns.com).
	11.00	Mass from Iona Road – Web service only (www.ionaroadparish.ie).

Recently Deceased

We remember in our thoughts and prayers the family and friends of recently deceased, Dominic Whelan, Anthony Lynch, Kathleen Melody, Catherine O’Kane, Jean Loughney, Noel Hopkins & Brendan Hueston.

Easter Offerings

Offerings can be made online through our website, www.ballygallparish.ie or alternatively, you can continue to use your family offering and dues envelopes and drop them into the post box at Fr. Joseph’s house. Alternatively, hold on to them and we will be in a position to accept them all when our church re-opens.

Trocaire Boxes: This time of year, Trocaire would usually get back tens of thousands of boxes but that will not be possible this year, at a time when the developing world needs our help the most. If

you can, please donate online or over the phone. Please do hold onto your boxes until further notice and we will be in contact about

how to return them when it will be safe for people to do so. Donations can be made online at <https://www.trocaire.org/donate/make-a-donation>



Divine Mercy Sunday

On the first Sunday after Easter, we celebrate the feast of Divine Mercy.

The Divine Mercy image is that of the Risen Christ appearing in the upper room to the Apostles after the resurrection. His hand is raised in blessing and forgiveness, his heart radiating love and mercy.

Unfortunately, any planned public celebrations for this feast will not take place this year. However, for prayers and more information on the Divine Merch visit www.divinemercury.org or tune in to TV station EWTN.

Eucharistic Holy Hour

Join us every Wednesday evening at 7.30pm for an hour of Eucharistic adoration that concludes with Benediction. This can be view on our parish website.

News from Archbishops House

We are being asked about First Communions and Confirmations. We can only begin to speak of timetables for these Sacraments when it will be possible once again to hold large gatherings of people, especially children and this is unlikely for some months.

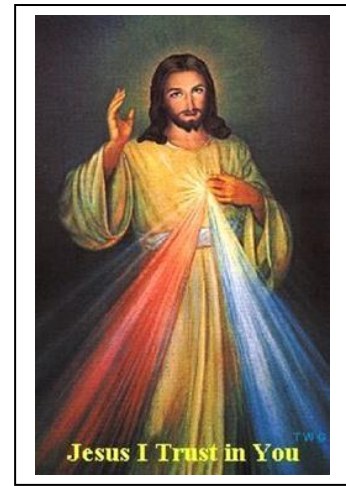
Funeral arrangements: There still seems to be confusion about funeral arrangements, despite the very clear guidance from the healthcare authorities. Restricted funeral services or Masses may be held in Churches for those who die in these days, including those who died from the Covid-19 virus. This is current diocesan policy. I draw your attention to an article in the Irish Independent, sponsored by the Irish Association of Funeral Directors: *“Among the biggest disruptions to normal life in the current crisis are the changes to the funeral rituals that are ingrained in our culture. Official guidelines mean that funeral **Masses and services** in Ireland are now private and restricted to a maximum of 10 immediate relatives, with social distancing being enforced at all times.”*

Supports for Older and Vulnerable People

COVID-19 community supports are now in place to ensure vulnerable members of the community are reached and helped at this time. These comprise the local authority, Health Service Executive, County Champions, An Post, Community Welfare Service, An Garda Síochána, other State organisations, charities and other stakeholders.

Dedicated helplines are focused specifically on ensuring that the cocooning elderly, vulnerable members of the community or those living alone can access deliveries of groceries, medicine and fuels. Please try to ensure any vulnerable or elderly people in your parish to may need help are aware of these services. We have also included of support services for women and families who may be at risk in the home at this difficult time as well as mental health on line support services

<https://www.dublindiocese.ie/covid-19-support-line-for-older-people/>



Thank you for your patience and support in this difficult time.