

Church of Our Mother of Divine Grace, Ballygall

Part of the Glasnevin Grouping of Parishes
(Glasnevin, Iona Rd, Corpus Christi, Ballymun Rd & Ballygall)

Sunday, 2nd August 2020: 18th Sunday of Ordinary Time

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Monday 3rd to Sunday 8th August.

Mon	10.00	(Bank Holiday)	John McDonald, Chris O'Hara
Tues	10.00	(St. John Vianney)	Colette Whittle, John Kinsella
Wed	10.00	(Basilica St Mary Major)	Special Intention
Thurs	10.00	(Transfiguration of the Lord)	Cathal Bryan
Fri	10.00	(First Friday)	Altar List of the Dead
Sat	10.00	(St. Dominic)	Dowdall & Ryan families. (Deceased)
	6.30 pm		Tommy Monahan, Bridie Woods, Tom Colfer
Sun	9.30	Redemptoristine Monastery (www.rednuns.com).	
	10.00	John Monaghan	
	Please note that our 11.30am Mass has not resumed for the moment.		
	11.00	Broadcast Mass from Iona Road www.ionaroadparish.ie .	
12.00 & 6.30pm	Broadcast Mass from Our Lady of Dolours www.glasnevinparish.ie		

Recently Deceased

We remember in our prayers the family & friends of recently deceased, Marion Lawlor, late of Hillcrest Park.

Bank Holiday Weekend

Our best wishes to all those who may be taking a break this weekend. Not only are we reminded to drive safe but this year we are encouraged to stay safe. Face coverings are becoming the norm especially when we cannot keep 2 metres apart in shops and on public transport. (In church we are strongly recommended to wear masks).

The church will be open as usual after mass (when sanitised) until late. Plenty of time for you to come in for private prayer. Again, remember to keep a safe distance from others.

Volunteers for helping with Mass

Our thanks to those who have come on board to help with stewarding, cleaning as well as Ministers of the Word and Eucharist. Your support is essential for us to stay open for Mass, especially during the week. "Let's keep the bug out of Ballygall".

First Friday Visits

Not up and running yet. Holy communion may be brought by family members/ministers of the Eucharist. For the moment the sacrament of the Sick & Confession is "on hold".

Funerals are still private celebrations with a cap of 50 attendees composed of family members & relatives only. Funeral Masses are celebrated at 11am until restrictions are lifted. Neighbours and friends can view online or remain outside the front of the church keeping Social Distancing, refraining from embracing, etc. There they can participate by listening through the speakers. Holy communion will also be brought out to those who wish to receive.

Church Opening

For the moment the obligation to attend Sunday Mass still does not apply.

The church is open for private prayer from 12.00 to 6.00pm (approx.) daily. We try to reopen by 11am until after 8pm.

On Saturday evenings the church will close at 5.30pm to facilitate preparation for Mass.

Please adhere to the HSE guidelines & restrictions and advice in porch.

Weekly Donations to Parish & Diocese.

Thank you to those who are continuing to support the parish, the priests & the diocese in different ways, through the Family Offering envelopes and online. For those who attending weekday mass instead of Sunday we have bags left out for the 1st & 2nd collections at the doors on the way out from Mass. People are leaving in Family Offering envelopes via the post-box at the church shop and at the carpark exit door as well as the presbyteries.

Last week we lodged for the 1st collection €680, and for the 2nd collection €450.

Baptisms

Baptisms take place on Saturdays only.

People will be advised of times available.

The monthly meetings will be postponed for the moment.

Other Updates

Mass intentions, mass cards and other shop items can be booked through the sacristy/office this week from Tue - Fri 9.30 to 12.30 by phoning the office @ 01 8369291 or by email.

If you need to speak to one of the priests please contact them directly (see contact details above).

Youth 2000 – Summer E-Festival

This years festival takes place on 14th – 16th August. Theme: The Lord is my Strength & my song, Ps 118:14. Register for free on www.youth2000.ie

Seeing your Life through the Lens of the Gospel Mt 14:13-21

1. The news of the death of John the Baptist prompted Jesus to go off and be alone, but the crowds followed him. Despite his personal sorrow, he was able to reach out in compassion to the crowd. Perhaps there have been times when you have put personal preferences and desires to one side, in order to reach out to another. What was it like for you when you were able to do this?
2. When Jesus saw the crowd, he recognised their need and responded to them. Who has been a Jesus-person for you, someone who recognised your need and reached out to you? For whom have you been a Jesus-person?
3. The scene symbolises the Eucharist, reminding us of the sacred meal to which all believers are invited, in order to receive nourishment from the Lord. How has the Eucharist been a source of nourishment for you?
4. When the disciples became aware of the problem, they wanted to send the crowd away, but Jesus told them: 'You give them something to eat.' They thought what they had was insufficient, but Jesus used the little they had to feed the crowd. When we give the little we have to a situation, the results are open beyond our expectations. Have you had this experience?

John Byrne OSA