

Church of Our Mother of Divine Grace, Ballygall

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

Sunday, 23rd August 2020: 21st Sunday of Ordinary Time

Parish Website www.ballygallparish.ie

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Monday 24th to Sunday 30th August.

Mon	10.00	Special Intention
Tues	10.00	Anne O'Donohoe
Wed	10.00	Lily Dwyer
Thurs	10.00	Margaret Callan
Fri	10.00	Annie (Nancy) Bourne
Sat	10.00	Philip Quinlan
	6.30 pm	Months Mind Remembrance Francis Higgins, Helmut Erb, Marion Lawlor, Sally Campbell
Sun	9.30	Broadcast Mass from Redemptoristine Monastery www.rednuns.com .
	10.00	Gerry O'Reilly, Eugene, Helen & Fran Walsh.
	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, Joseph Mooney, Hillcrest Park and Una Ryan, formerly of Glasnevin Park.

Baptisms

We welcome into our faith community, recently baptised, Luke O'Connor, Jasmine O'Doherty, Dahlia Bruce & Reece Walsh.

Baptisms take place on Saturdays only. People will be advised of times available.

The monthly meetings will be postponed for the moment.

Funerals are still private celebrations & as we use the same entrance and exit door we are still limited to a total of 50 people being present, the 50 attendees are 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.

COVID-19 update – Dublin Diocese

"The situation regarding Religious Services in places of worship (including Funerals) remains unchanged (i.e. pods of up to 50 with social distancing etc.). (Here in Ballygall we are able to accommodate up to 100 people safely at our regular Masses) The limit of 6 is for indoor settings in homes and applies to funeral related events in private homes (e.g. Wakes etc.)."

It is important that we strictly adhere to these norms. For your convenience, I reprint them below:

"Where the size of the premises allows for a capacity of greater than 50 this may be permitted only where:

Social distancing guidelines are adhered to

The premises can be subdivided into distinct sections (cordoned or marked appropriately) of not more than 50 persons in each section

There is a minimum of 4m between sections

Each section having its own entrance/exit route

There are separate arrangements for elements of the service involving close contact, e.g. the distribution of Holy Communion

Strictly no movement of people between sections before, during or after the service

The premises is well-ventilated.

Account must also be taken regarding the risk of congregation by people outside before and after any services, having regard to outdoor overall limits on mass gatherings and arrangements for staggered exiting after ceremonies

The use of face coverings is strongly recommended for such indoor settings".

The use of facemasks: I am being asked if the wearing of facemasks is obligatory during religious services. As you will see from above the use of face coverings by all those attending indoor religious services if is **strongly recommended**. This means that non-wearing of face coverings should only occur in exceptional circumstances. In certain circumstances, (and this would include smaller Churches or places that are not well ventilated) the wearing of face coverings is obligatory by virtue of the general norms and is legally binding.

Archbishop Diarmuid Martin

Schools Re-opening

With schools (hopefully) returning later this week, we are meeting with the principals of our local schools to re-schedule dates for Confirmation and First Holy Communion. Parents will be notified as soon as possible. Please keep the children and their families in your prayers.

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.

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.

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.

A Student's Prayer for a New School Year

Lord Jesus, I ask for Your help as I begin this new school year.

Guide and Protect Me.

Open my eyes to the new challenges that this new school year brings.

Allow me to experience Your presence in the many blessings You put before me.

Open my heart and mind to new friends and new teachers.

Give me a generous spirit to be enthusiastic with my studies and courage to accept new opportunities.

Help me to be attentive to my teachers and let me experience Your presence in my new friends. Jesus, inspire me to do my best this year!

ACCORD Dublin – Courses for August

Please note while we had to cancel many planned pre-marriage courses due to Covid-19, we continued to look after couples affected, either by rescheduling or by offering private courses via Zoom. Our "regular" courses are recommencing on **21/22 August** - although with reduced numbers to allow for social distancing, and with the usual Covid-19 mitigation measures. Our courses are available for booking at www.accorddublin.ie; any couple unable to find a suitable course can contact us at adminmarriageprep@accorddublin.ie.

Marino Institute of Education – Spirituality & Human Development

Interested in studying theology, but need a flexible programme to suit your needs? Marino instituted provides a year/2 year part-time evening course on Tuesday evenings from 7pm and 3 Saturdays during the year. For more details see

www.mie.ie/en/study_with_us/undergraduate_programmes/certificate_in_spirituality_human_development/ or www.mie.ie which is their main website.

DCU BA in Theology and Religious Studies - Scholarships Available

DCU is also providing a Theology and Religious Studies course aimed at mature students, with lectures on Thursday evenings and a number of Saturdays throughout the year. For 2020/21, the programme will feature blended learning, with online and in-person learning opportunities. Scholarships are available for new incoming students. More info at www.dcu.ie/dc300, or contact Brad Anderson (brad.anderson@dcu.ie)

Maynooth: Part-time Higher Diploma in Theological Studies

Interested in studying Theology in 2020? The one year, part-time Higher Diploma in Theological Studies at St Patrick's College, Maynooth is now offered as a "Blended Learning" programme. Suitable for those with an undergraduate degree in any discipline (or equivalent). The course will run from September to May, with online lectures taking place on Wednesday evenings, complimented with self-directed study. There will also be 6 residential weekends over the course of the year. More details of the programme are available at:

<https://maynoothcollege.ie/courses/higherdiploma-in-theological-studies>

For admission to the course or other details, please contact Barbara Mahon, at the SPCM - Admissions Office at: admissions@spcm.ie 01 -708-4772 N.B. If COVID-19 restrictions make the weekend residential impossible, these will be held virtually.