

Our Mother of Divine Grace Church, Ballygall

Part of the Glasnevin Grouping of Parishes

(Glasnevin, Iona Rd, Corpus Christi, Ballymun Rd & Ballygall)

17th Sunday in Ordinary Time – 25th July 2021

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Mass Schedule Week Commencing Monday 26th July 2021. Also available online www.ballygallparish.ie		
Monday	10.00	Jarleth Mullen
Tuesday	10.00	Special Intention
Wednesday	10.00	Special Intention.
Thursday	10.00	Elizabeth Shortt
Friday	10.00	Special Intention.
Saturday	10.00	Free.
	6.30pm	Month's Mind: Finbar Lynch, Nora Seavers, John O'Toole.
Sunday	10.00	Sally Campbell, Dennis Power & Jenny Brady.

Recently Deceased

We remember in our prayers Richard Doyle Stormanstown Rd, John Newman Glasnevin Ave, Olive Kenny Beneavin Pk, also Noel Cunningham, & Monsignor Conor Ward who died recently.

Baptism Update

In the absence of an update from NPHE and the Government on whether we could resume with Baptisms scheduled for August, it is with great regret, that we will have to postpone these Baptisms until further notice. We will not be in a position to take any bookings until further notice and we thank you for your patience and understanding.

Fr Damian McNeice Farewell

We have mentioned already that Fr Damian will be leaving us at the end of August. It is hoped to make a small presentation to him on behalf of the parish. Envelopes are available in the porch that can be returned with donation included. We hope to make a presentation to him on Saturday, 21st August at the Vigil Mass. As gatherings are restricted we will probably be unable to have a parish celebration at that event that we would like to have. This as you can understand is rather sketchy and will be difficult to organise. We will keep you informed as best we can over the next few weeks as to what is happening.

Pathways:

Exploring Faith as an Adult

Pathways is a two-year, one night a week (Thursdays), course for adults of all ages who wish to explore their faith. It runs from late September to May each year. Beginning Thursday 30th September (7-9.30pm). It is run by the Archdiocese and takes place in DCU St. Patrick's College, Drumcondra Road. There are no exams and no written work. The only requirement is an openness to listening to others and to participate. You can just come along and enjoy! The cost is €400 for the coming year which may be paid in instalments. Ballygall parish subsidises this programme once we are notified of your intention of taking part. Early application is recommended.

For more information, please visit our webpage: www.evangelisation.ie or contact: Eileen Houlahan, CHF, PhD, Director, Pathways Programme, Clonliffe College, Phone: 01 8087594 Email: pathways@dublindioocese.ie

Our Sacristan Retires

Sadie Farrelly has informed us of her intention to retire as sacristan. She has been with the parish for almost 40 years as sacristan. The Tin Church where it all began and for over the past 30 years here in our current building. She will finish on Saturday 31st July. Sadie has always led a quiet lifestyle and wants no fuss as she leaves us. Covid with all its restrictions has aided this and it is with regret that we bid farewell to her over the coming week in a quiet and gentle way respecting her wishes. Thank you Sadie for your support to Ballygall over the years.

The Lough Derg Pilgrim Path

The Lough Derg Pilgrim Path on the lough shore is now open daily. 12km or 8km walk is available. A guided walk experience will be offered on Sunday 25th and Saturday 31st July, with Mass outdoors, weather permitting. Further dates for these guided walks will follow for late August and early September. For bookings and further information email info@loughderg.org or telephone 071 9861518. Or check out their website www.loughderg.org

World Day for Grandparents Day Prayer

I thank You, Lord, for the comfort of Your presence: even in times of loneliness, You are my hope and my confidence, You have been my rock and my fortress since my youth! I thank You for having given me a family and for having blessed me with a long life. I thank You for moments of joy and difficulty, for the dreams that have already come true in my life and for those that are still ahead of me. I thank You for this time of renewed fruitfulness to which You call me.

Increase, O Lord, my faith, make me a channel of your peace, teach me to embrace those who suffer more than me, to never stop dreaming and to tell of your wonders to new generations. Protect and guide Pope Francis and the Church, that the light of the Gospel might reach the ends of the earth. Send Your Spirit, O Lord, to renew the world, that the storm of the pandemic might be calmed, the poor consoled and wars ended. Sustain me in weakness and help me to live life to the full in each moment that You give me, in the certainty that you are with me every day, even until the end of the age. Amen.