

Our Mother of Divine Grace Church, Ballygall

Part of the Glasnevin Grouping of Parishes

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

31st Sunday in Ordinary Time, 31st October 2021

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Mass Schedule Week Commencing Monday 1st November 2021. Also available online www.ballygallparish.ie		
Monday	10.00	Special Intention
Tuesday	10.00	Holy Souls
Wednesday	10.00	Kathleen Mongan/Richard & Anthony Bunce
Thursday	10.00	Pat & Ned Kearns/ Carmel Byrne
Friday	10.00	Altar List of the Dead
Saturday	10.00	Leo Kelly & Jackie Allen
	6.30pm	Bridie & Chris Tevlin; Brendan Farrell
Sunday	10.00	Carmel Byrne; Christopher & Christine O'Neill; O'Neill & Patterson family

November – Month of the Holy Souls

Monday 1st November (**All Saint's Day**) has traditionally been a Holy Day of Obligation. The obligation to attend Mass still doesn't apply in these Covid times. We will only have the 10am Mass as normal (no vigil Mass).

Tue 2nd is the **Feast of All Souls**. There is a great tradition of attending church or visiting a graveyard in these days achieving a plenary indulgence for our loved ones who have died. We will be continuing with the simplified rite of forgiveness after 10am Mass each Saturday until we are permitted to celebrate individual confession.

November: Altar lists of the Dead

Our thanks to those who distributed envelopes to all houses in the parish during the week. If you haven't got an envelope yet, there are some available in the porch. These can be returned with names to be remembered during November and each First Friday of the month throughout the coming year.

November: Annual Mass for the Deceased (Sept 2020 – Aug 2021)

We will be celebrating two Masses this year to remember those who died during the past year. This is in keeping with limited numbers being safely permitted in the church. Letters have been sent to families during the week inviting them to attend. The first will be this Friday at 7.30pm. Family only to attend please if possible. All Masses can be viewed online and this is a great way for others to join us especially from afar.

Trócaire Special Appeal for East Africa – November 6th & 7th November

The Bishops of Ireland have called for a national Church collection on the 6th and 7th of November to support Trócaire in providing life-saving aid to vulnerable communities in East Africa and DRC, where millions of people are being pushed to the edge of starvation. Trócaire teams are already responding on the ground, and are ready to provide more life-saving assistance but need more resources.

This Emergency Appeal will replace the SHARE collection next weekend. For more information see www.trocaire.org.

Update on Return to Mass

Thank you to the Stewards, Eucharistic Ministers and Readers who joined us to discuss the return to 'normal church services' last Tuesday.

We are still being urged to be careful despite allowances for full capacity in church.

With this in mind we are continuing to keep the same safety measures at all church services. Hand sanitising and mask wearing are mandatory for all.

We will continue to keep every second seat empty. We will continue to fill each seat from the main aisle out to the wall to ensure maximum capacity keeping social distance.

Ventilation is paramount. With this in mind some doors will be kept open despite the cold weather. The church will continue to be sanitised after each Mass.

The area for private prayer will continue to be only at the back of the church. The church will continue to be open 'til later in the evening to facilitate private prayer.

Thank you to the stewards and volunteers for facilitating this.

11.30 Mass update

We hope to have the 11.30am Mass back, beginning the First Sunday of Advent (29th November) but in order to facilitate this we need more volunteers as stewards to enable the safe celebration of Mass. If you would like to volunteer contact the Parish Office.

Thank you for your understanding and patience. It's a difficult time but due to our parishioners and volunteer stewards things are going really well and it's only through all of us doing the correct thing that our church has been able to stay open.

Mission Sunday

On behalf of Pope Francis, thank you for supporting World Mission Sunday. Your kindness means that overseas missionaries can continue to share the love of God with some of the world's most marginalised and vulnerable people. If you value the work of overseas missionaries, you can donate €4.00 by texting the word 'Mission' to 50300. Alternatively donate at www.missio.ie or call Missio Ireland on 01 497 2035. To learn more, go to www.missio.ie.

Here in Ballygall: Thank you for your generous support of €1775 towards the missions last weekend and to those who are still sending in donations.

Church Shop

The Shop will be now be open after Mass on both Wednesday and Friday Mornings from 10.30 to 11.00. Many thanks to our volunteers.

Diary 2022

The diary is now ready for Mass bookings. Please ring the parish office during office hours.