

Our Mother of Divine Grace Church, Ballygall

Part of the Glasnevin Grouping of Parishes
(Glasnevin, Iona Rd, Corpus Christi, Ballymun Rd & Ballygall)
Third Sunday of Advent 12th December 2021

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Mass Schedule Week Commencing Monday 13th December 2021. Also available online www.ballygallparish.ie		
Monday	10.00	Ethna Ryan.
Tuesday	10.00	Special Intention
Wednesday	10.00	Paddy Goold/ Ronan Beakey
	7.00pm	Online Carol Service with our Family Mass Group
Thursday	10.00	Evelyn Curran
Friday	10.00	John Byrne
Saturday	10.00	Christine Kellegher
	6.30pm	Months Mind Remembrance Michelle Frances Kershaw, Linda Parnell, Ronald Keogh & Elizabeth Harvey.
Sunday	10.00	Deceased members of the Fearn & Fields Family. David Byrne, Kathleen, William & Noel Rock. Bridget Kelly & James Allen.
	11.30	Paddy & Norah Cooper, Paddy Courtney & Deceased family members, Walter & Mary Connolly and deceased family members. Patrick Lynch.

Recently Deceased

We remember in our prayers, recently deceased Lochan Mulhall, Esther Bichler, Tony Wilson & Peadar Doran. May they rest in peace.

St Vincent De Paul Annual Collection.

This weekend, 11th/12th December, St Vincent de Paul will be holding a church collection in the hope to raise funds for people who are struggling this Christmas. This collection will replace the normal Share Collection. Our local conference "St Ciaran's" wish to thank you for your support during the year and especially in this collection.

Help the Homeless Appeal

Our thanks to those who have donated clothing that will be useful to the homeless on our streets. If you have yet to do so, please leave them in by Thursday morning as they will be collected at lunchtime. Socks and other items of underwear (small or medium size please), hats, gloves or scarfs, **NEW ONLY ITEMS** please. These can be left in the porch during the week. We will arrange to have them delivered to the homeless centres at the weekend. Please refrain from leaving any other items of clothing other than those listed above.

Christmas Market

Scoil Chiarain will hold their Annual Christmas Market on Monday 13th December from 10.30 to 11.30am. Tea & Coffee will be available, Social Distancing and Mask wearing will be observed.

Christmas Carol Service

Our thanks to some of our Family Mass group for proposing to have a carol service this year. This will take place on **Wednesday 15th December at 7pm** but will be online only **Penance Service**

We have arranged with the Franciscan friars to have our Advent/Christmas Penance Service on Wednesday 22nd December at 7.30pm. They are looking forward to joining us for the celebration.

Christmas Mass Times

We hope to have 6.30 & 8.30pm Mass Christmas Eve and 10.00 & 11.30 Masses on Christmas Day. No tickets. Come early as we will be adhering to all NPHECT Covid Protocol. If you are nervous about the Church being very busy on that day you may wish to attend Mass any morning both before and after Christmas Day. 10.00am Mass will be celebrated daily.

On Line Appeal For Families In Food Poverty - December 2021

Crosscare helps people with food parcels and meals in our cafes and food banks in the short term, and we work with them to move out of food poverty in the long term.

We keep in touch with families, helping them to help themselves. We help them with budgeting, healthy eating, and long-term housing and welfare support they may need, giving them the dignity and independence to provide for themselves. Due to Covid restrictions, the online appeal for donations replaces the food collection in parishes in previous years. Your ongoing support for Crosscare makes a huge difference to those most in need. We are asking for donations to continue this vital work at Christmas and into 2022. Please help us to help them. Support our appeal to end food poverty by giving what you can online at www.crosscare.ie/donate or call 01 8360011

Prayer for the Synod

2021 – 2023 is time for a new Synod in the church. Instead of being Rome based it is intended to be people based and all baptised are invited to take part in a process of praying, listening and sharing their joys and dreams for the church. As we take on this Synodal Process we are invited to pray the prayer that has been used for many gatherings of synods in the past. This prayer invites the Holy Spirit to be at work in us so that we may be a community and a people of grace. For the Synodal pathway from 2021 to 2023, we will use this prayer. You may like to use it as a daily prayer for the success of the synod.

We stand before You, Holy Spirit, as we gather together in Your name.

With You alone to guide us, make Yourself at home in our hearts;

Teach us the way we must go and how we are to pursue it.

We are weak and sinful; do not let us promote disorder.

Do not let ignorance lead us down the wrong path nor partiality influence our actions.

Let us find in You our unity so that we may journey together to eternal life and not stray from the way of truth and what is right.

All this we ask of You, who are at work in every place and time, in the communion of the Father and the Son, forever and ever. Amen.