

Church of Our Mother of Divine Grace, Ballygall Parish

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

Easter Sunday 9th April 2023

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Easter Sunday Masses

The Triduum concludes with the Mass of the Resurrection on Holy Saturday at 8.30pm.

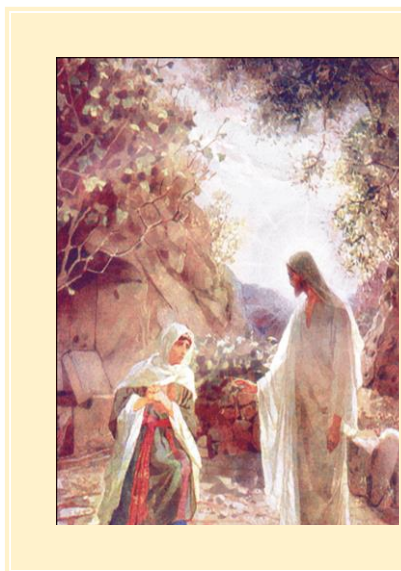
10.00 & 11.30am Masses are offered for all intentions of Easter Mass Bouquets and the people of the parish.

Happy Easter - Alleluia Alleluia - Today is a great day.

We have just celebrated the Easter Triduum, the high point of the Christian year. Here in Ballygall, a group of fantastic people worked very hard to ensure its smooth running. From the Liturgy group, planning the different ceremonies, to those who read and volunteered to help, lead and assist in anyway. Those who helped make the church look so well for Easter time, by preparing our Sacred Space & flower arrangements. A sincere thank you to the collectors and parishioners who delivered the Easter Cards & dues envelopes, the Parish Pastoral Council, the Franciscan fathers, the ministers of the Word and Eucharist, the Choir, and all who exercised their ministry so well. Here in the church, a special thank you the team of volunteer sacristans & our parish secretary Mary. We would like to take this opportunity to wish you all the peace of the risen Lord. There are too many to mention, but everyone's contribution of their time and talent is so important in building up the life and liturgy of this Christian Community.

Easter Dues

The priests of the Parish wish to express their sincere thanks and gratitude to all who have sent in their Easter Dues, your support is greatly appreciated.



Mass Intentions This Week

Monday 10.00am Deceased Members of the Power Family.
Tuesday 10.00am Funeral Mass – Paul Price.
Wed 10.00am Funeral Mass – Myles Finnegan
Thursday 10.00am Funeral Mass – Una Barry
Friday 10.00am Caroline Doyle
Saturday 10.00am Con O'Connor
6.30pm Vigil Frank & Chrissie O'Connor, Derek McDonald
Vanessa Elizabeth McDonald, Lauren Kelly,
Mary & Anthony Campelli and deceased family.
Anthony & Mary Smith.

Sunday 16th April

10.00am Available
11.30am Mick Quinlan, Charlie McGill, Bernadette Farrell, Liam Harbison
Gertie McPhillips, Maureen Lyons. Christopher Flood.

Easter Monday (& Easter Week)

Monday 10th to Friday 14th April Mass at 10.00am only, 7.25 am Mass will resume as normal on Monday 17th April). Parish office also closed until the 14th April.

Archbishop Farrell, Chrism Mass Thursday

“The *Building Hope* initiative involves people and priests creating a joint mission—a mission together—in which new pastoral areas will comprise a number of parishes in partnership. This necessarily involves a ‘letting go’ of the past and an embrace of what is to come. For this pastoral initiative to be successful, there needs to be a *shared* appreciation of the rationale, and a shared conviction of the necessity to embrace change. We are embracing a renewed way of being Church”.

Trócaire

If you can, please donate online or over the phone.

Donations can be made online at

<https://www.trocaire.org/donate/make-a-donation>.

Boxes can also be left into the sacristy after Mass.

Recently Deceased

We remember those who have died this week, especially, Paul Price, Myles Finnegan, Una Barry and Michelle McKeown. May they Rest in Peace.

Ballygall Parish Reading Group

We invite you to join our first meeting will take place on the 13th April in the Oratory at 7.30pm. We welcome your thoughts and ideas. If you need to pick up a copy of the Sacred Heart Messenger, copies are available in the sacristy after 10.00am mass.

Diocesan Pilgrimage to Knock 2023, which will be led by Archbishop Farrell, will take place on **Saturday, April 29**.

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Rolling the Stone

Just like the women on their way to anoint the body of Jesus on Easter Sunday morning, Timmy and Jack asked themselves, "Who will roll back the stone?" Years of carrying the weight of self-loathing, poor self-image, playing the blame-game, and seething with anger and bitterness had led them both down the path of negativity and self-destruction.

Then they spoke powerfully and movingly of their 'Aha moment'— their moment of realisation that there were people who really cared for them and who were willing to help them turn their lives around and start afresh.

Outside Support

Their *Via Dolorosa* – their road to recovery – was demanding and unrelenting. Their wives, families, friends and health professionals walked-the-walk with them. Like the proverbial phoenix, they arose from the ashes of addiction and depression. They experienced a resurrection and a new life. Timmy graduated from UCC with a degree in Youth Support Work and followed that with a Master's in criminology. Jack acquired a degree in construction. He now has his own company and, with his wife, has also set up a very successful car-washing business.

The Real Presence

Those people who supported and encouraged these two men are powerful witnesses to the risen presence of Jesus among us. Every day, in big and small ways, the risen Lord reveals himself through the goodness of his followers. Today, as we look at the Easter Candle burning brightly, we give thanks for the people in our lives who are light, hope and love for us.

As the Easter water is sprinkled over us, we think of those who inject us with new life, who nourish and support us with kindness and compassion.

When we crack open our Easter eggs, we remember Jesus, bursting out of the tomb, bringing new life into the world. His love has no end.

We are Easter People.

Alleluia is our song! ■



Summary

Jesus calls us to look around us and rejoice that he is risen and lives among us.

The people who supported and encouraged Timmy and Jack are witnesses to the risen Jesus among us.

Question

Who will roll back my stone?

Prayer

Lord, I thank you for all those people with whom I live, and who enrich my life.



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Sat 8 Apr Holy Saturday : Sun 9 Apr Easter 1 : Mon 10 Apr Weekday : Tue 11 Apr St Stanislaus : Wed 12 Apr Weekday : Thu 13 Apr St Martin : Fri 14 Apr Weekday : Sat 15 Apr Weekday : Sun 16 Apr Easter 2.



SUNDAY LETTER

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"Jesus Christ is risen. Alleluia! He lives among us. Alleluia!"

On this Easter Sunday, the most important feast of the Christian year, choirs and congregations all over the world joyfully sing the beautiful verse from Psalm 117,

"Give thanks to the Lord for he is good, for his love has no end."

Three days ago, we stood on the hill of Calvary looking up at the crucified figure of Jesus, the only Son of God, our brother and redeemer. This supreme act of love, of laying down his life for all people, was the price he paid to open the gates of eternal happiness to us.

"The stone which the builders rejected, has become the corner stone." (Psalm 117)

Today, we look into the empty tomb. Unlike the broken-hearted Mary Magdalene who cried out, 'we don't know where they have put him', Jesus calls us to look around and rejoice that He is risen, and lives amongst us.



RESURRECTION

On a Wednesday evening, in October 2022, Timmy and Jack, two Northsiders from Cork city (the 'Two Norries') told their story of resurrection and new life on RTE1's 'Nationwide' program. They were heavy drinkers, drug addicts, and were in and out of prison. Timmy's lowest point was when he was found at the bottom of Blair's Hill where he had overdosed on heroin. In a cell in Cork's Bridewell Garda station, where Jack was being held for robbery, he threw himself on the ground in despair and desolation.