



# Church of the Holy Spirit, Ballyroan

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## Readers for THIS weekend

7.00 pm: Tessa Dagge  
Pat O'Halloran  
10.00 am: Aine Vaughan  
Brigid Keogh  
Irene Heeney  
12.00: Joan Moore  
Sarah Byrnes  
Maeve Duffy  
Third person on the list says the Prayers of the Faithful.

## Readers for NEXT weekend

7.00 pm: Joanne Gannon  
Mary Vaughan  
10.00 am: Barry Coll  
Therese Waterman  
Anne Keane  
12.00: Paula Coghlan  
Grainne Hagan  
Gerard Madden



IN TODAY'S GOSPEL, WE MEET JESUS AS HE HEALS A MAN BORN BLIND FROM BIRTH. WE WONDER AT THE BLIND MAN AS HE GOES FROM BEGGAR TO BELIEVER TO DISCIPLE AS A RESULT OF JESUS' BELIEF IN HIM. HOW DIFFERENT IS HIS RESPONSE TO THAT OF THE PHARISEES.

LORD HELP US SEE OUR OWN BLINDNESS SO THAT WE CAN BE OPEN TO YOUR HEALING TOUCH. GIVE US COURAGE TO PRAISE YOU AS THE BLIND MAN DID IN THIS PASSAGE.

**BALLYROAN LIBRARY: EVENTS**  
Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> April: From show Gardens to real gardens. A talk by Oliver Shurmann on Garden design.  
Monday 7<sup>th</sup> April: Transient Passages, an evening of poetry and music with Pdraig Daly and Tony Bardon.  
Admission is free but booking is essential. Starting time: 7.00 pm

## EVENTS IN THE PARISH FOR THE WEEK

- SUNDAY: -Baptisms at 1.00 pm
- MONDAY: -Confirmation practice (Choir at 10.45) class at 1.00.
- TUES: -Theology Course at 10.30 after the 10.00 Mass.  
-Confirmation practice at 1.00 pm.
- WEDS: -Confirmation choir practice 10.45; class practice at 1.00pm.
- THURS: -10.45 Bethany Bereavement meeting for members in The Ruah Centre.
- FRIDAY: -Confirmation at 11.00 am with Bishop Eamonn Walsh. **NO 10.00 AM MASS.**  
First Friday – Padua society members to meet in the Church at 10.30 before their visits.
- SAT: -Beginning of the Parish Triduum  
-Coffee evening after 7.00 pm Mass in aid of the Bastible/Warren School of dancing.

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- The Parish Mission takes place from Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> until Monday 7<sup>th</sup> April. It will be launched at the 7.00 pm Mass on the Saturday and it will be led by Rev. Dr John Harris OP. Please keep these days free in your diary as this is a very worthwhile Lenten preparation for Easter.
- Forms are still available for the Lenten Eucharistic Adoration in the homes on the 8<sup>th</sup>, 9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> April for those who wish to participate. This allows individuals or families to invite family, friends or neighbours to their homes for about 45 minutes of prayer at any time of the day, in the presence of the Blessed Sacrament
- Sincere thanks to all those who have signed and returned their tax reclaim forms. We would ask those who may have overlooked it to complete and return the form as soon as possible. It is a very important document as it will allow your parish to obtain a rebate from the Revenue Commissioners for the next 5 years at no cost to you. All taxpayers must now send the form to the parish because those who are under the self-assessed system are no longer allowed to claim it themselves.
- The next lunch time concert to be held in the Ruah Centre will take place on Monday 28<sup>th</sup> April at 12.05. Niamh Murray, one of Ireland's leading sopranos, comes for the first time. Tickets 8.00 euro will be on sale on Tues., Wed., and Thursday from 10.30 – 11.15
- CCTV cameras are in operation in the Church so we would advise people that bins in the Church yard are NOT for household rubbish.
- Rotas for readers are now available in the sacristy.

### **MASS INTENTIONS:**

*Saturday 7.00 pm-Kathleen O'Callaghan(A) and Ambrose Somers (A) : Sunday 10.00- Sean Bradley (Month's mind); 12.00-Dick O'Kelly (A, Paddy Egan (A) and Patrick Kenna (A) ; Mon. 10.00 am-William O'Dwyer (A); Tues.10.00-Special Intention; Wed. 10.00-William, Maureen and Joe Fanning (A); Fri: 11.00-CONFIRMATION.  
Anniversaries:Patrick Kenna and Margaret Coyne  
Recently deceased: Oliver Maloney who died in Portugal.*