

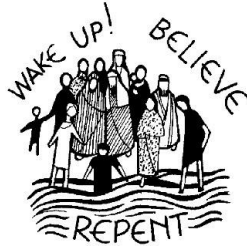


Church of the Holy Spirit, Ballyroan

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1st SUNDAY OF ADVENT

COME AND PREPARE



The Church will be open on each Thursday of Advent to welcome all those who wish to avail of the Sacrament of Reconciliation.

“COME BACK TO ME WITH ALL YOUR HEART...”

EVENTS IN THE PARISH FOR THE WEEK

Prayer of Blessing for the Advent

Wreath at home:

Lord our God, we praise you for your Son, Jesus Christ: he is Emmanuel, the hope of the peoples, he is the wisdom that teaches and guides us, he is the Saviour of every nation. Lord God, let your blessing come upon us as we light the candles of this wreath. May the light and the wreath be a sign of Christ's promise to bring us salvation. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen

TUESDAY:

-The Parish Theology course continues on Tuesday after the 10.00 am Mass in the Ruah Centre.

WEDNESDAY:

-There will be a Confirmation meeting for all parents whose children are making their Confirmation this year on Wednesday at 8.00 pm in the Ruah Centre.

THURSDAY:

There will be Confessions in the Church from 7.00 – 8.00 pm on Thursdays

FRIDAY:

This Friday is the first Friday so the Padua Society will bring Communion to the housebound after the 10.00 Mass.

ST VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY HAS ITS INDOOR COLLECTION NEXT WEEK WHICH WILL REPLACE THE SHARE COLLECTION.

AS THIS IS THE IN PREPARATION FOR THE DEMANDS OF CHRISTMAS, PLEASE GIVE GENEROUSLY.

-Christmas Cards and Christmas Mass Bouquets will be available and poinsettias, like last year, can be ordered in the Ruah Centre on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday next week, after the 10.00 am Mass.

-The Children's liturgy takes place at the 12.00 Mass next Sunday.

-St Pius X Church is hosting a performance of Haydn's Creation with the Jubilate Choir and the orchestra of St Cecilia on Sunday 15th December at 8.00 pm. Tickets are €20.00 and can be had from Helena Downey 0876561411.

-Congratulations to the boys of Colaiste Eanna on the performance of Elvis the Musical. A good night was had by all.

- Message for the housebound and their carers.

Following a meeting of the Padua Society, the members would like to invite any parishioner who is housebound either permanently or temporarily for whatever reason and who would like to have Holy Communion on First Fridays or on Sundays, to let the parish office know so that they may be included for visits.

DATE FOR YOUR DIARY:

The Christmas market, in conjunction with the Library and the Community Centre, takes place on 18th December from 6.30 – 8.30. Different choirs will sing Christmas carols, there will be mulled wine and mince pies and Santa has been invited.

Readers for next weekend

7.00 pm: Tessa Dagge
Margaret Howett
10.00 am: Anne Walshe
Barry Coll
Sean McCarthy
12.00: Joan Lavelle
Grainne Hagan
Cathy O'Leary

The third person on the list will say the Prayers of the Faithful

Feast days for the Week

Tues: St Francis Xavier
Wed: St John Damascene
Fri: St Nicholas
Sat: St Ambrose

MASS INTENTIONS:

Saturday 7.00 pm-Dr Michael McAuley (A); Sunday 10.00-Mary Fox (A) and Des Bradley (A) ; 12.00-Ciaran Maher (1st A) and Michael Maher(A) ; Mon. 10.00-Myra O'Kelly (A) ; Tues. 10am -John Finlay (A) (A); Wed. 10.00-Annie Tisdell (A); Thurs. 10am -Jim Carr (A); Fri. 7.30 am Altar List; 10am-Funeral Mass for Jonathon Donovan.

Anniversaries: Frances McManus and Eddie Whelehan
Recently deceased: Brendan Conway, Jonathan Donovan and Brendan Elworthy