



Church of the Holy Spirit

Ballyroan

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MASS TIMES

Vigil Mass: Sat 7.00 Sunday:
9.00, 10.30, 12.00

Mon – Saturday: 10.00 am

Morning Prayer: 7.30 am in the
Ruah Centre

EXPOSITION

After 10.00 Mass each Tuesday

What are the Readings in today's Mass saying to us ?

Look at God's word to Jeremiah in the first Reading: "Before I formed you in the womb, I knew you....." Is God saying the same to us and what does that mean for me?

St Paul in the second reading is challenging us to look at our lives in the light of Love.

Look at the reaction of the people in the Synagogue to Jesus in the Gospel. Full of approval at first and then the realisation that "This is Joseph's son, surely?" See Jesus' response: "A prophet is never accepted in his own country.." Is there a message there for us in our relationship with Jesus and with others?

Perhaps we can take time to reflect on these readings during the week and share our thoughts/prayers with others.

FEAST DAYS THIS WEEK

Tues: St Agatha, virgin and martyr
Wed: Ss Paul Miki and Companions, martyrs
Thurs: St Mel, bishop
Fri: St Jerome Emiliani
St Josephine Bakhita, virgin.

2nd / 3rd February, 2013

-Congratulations to all the students from the parish schools who attended Mass in the Church during the **Catholic Schools' Week**. They were a credit to themselves and their teachers.

-Congratulations, once again, to Paul Black for organising the concert last Monday, featuring Kathy Nugent. It was thoroughly enjoyed by all.

The next concert takes place on **Monday 25th February at 12.25. Claudia Boyle returns for this concert.** Since her last appearance in November, Claudia has gone on to win the Maria Callas Competition in Verona, Italy.

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

-**There will be a "Do this in Memory of Me"** meeting for Group A on Wednesday at 8.00 pm in the Ruah Centre.

-The next **"Do this in Memory Me"** Mass takes place this Sunday at 12.00 noon.

-**The ACCORD collection** replaces the SHARE collection this weekend. Accord depends on your generosity as this collection counts for 20% of its annual income.

-The **Iona Centre, Knocklyon** are holding a number of Talks for the Year of Faith. Fr. Martin Henry from St Patrick's College, Maynooth, will speak on the topic of "Where is Your God" on Monday, February 4th at 8.00 pm. Fr. John Harris OP, will speak on the topic of "The Experience of Faith: what St. Thomas Aquinas can teach us" on Monday, 18th February at 8.00.

-There will be a coffee morning in the Community centre on next Saturday from 10.30 – 1.00 to help fund a little boy, Alex Pickford, to have a operation in the US which is not available in Ireland.

-**South Dublin Libraries** invite men and women over 55 years to form focus groups to give ideas on how to improve its services. This project is being run by the Dept. of Health. Anyone interested in being part of the Ballyroan Group contact Ballyroan Library 4941900 and ask for Helen Brennan.

MASS INTENTIONS:

Saturday 7.00 pm –Maire Dempsey (A) and Brendan Granville (A); Sunday 9.00- Jim Graham (A); 10.30-Betty Cantwell (1st A); 12.00-Denis Somers (1st A); Mon 10.00-Special Intention;Tuesday 10.00-The O'Toole family (A);Wed 10.00- Peter Burke RIP; Thurs 10.00-Kathleen Lynch (A); Friday 10.00-Isobel Murphy RIP; Sat 10.00-Maire Finnegan RIP.

Recently deceased: Brid Sharkey, Terry Sudway and Rosaleen Ward O'Shea