

PARISH OF THE HOLY SPIRIT BALLYROAN NEWSLETTER

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4th Sunday of Easter
Day of Prayer for Vocations
2nd/3rd May 2009

Monday 4th May

As Monday is a bank holiday
Mass will be at **11am only**.

First Penance

Congratulations to all the girls and boys who made their First Penance here in the Church last Tuesday night. They will receive their First Holy Communion on **Sat. 23rd May**.

Baptism

The annual information evenings for Baptism Teams will take place on **Tues 5th May** in Holy Family, Kill O' Grange, 8-9.30pm and Thurs. **7th May** in Clonliffe College, 8-9.30pm.

Eucharistic Ministers

The rota for May/June is now available for collection in the sacristy.

Ballyroan Community Care

The annual Spring/Summer Outing for Senior Citizens/Active Retired will take place on **Wed. 20th May** from 9-9pm. The trip is a cruise on Lough Gill on the Rose of Innisfree. Cost €35, includes Tea and Scones and 4 course Evening Meal in the Longford Arms Hotel. Further details contact Marie @ 4947808.

Sympathy

We offer our sympathy to the family of Michael McCarthy who died during the week.

Knock Pilgrimage

The Diocesan Pilgrimage to Knock is on **17th May**. Further details on church notice boards.

Rathfarnham Parish Fete

The fete will take place on Sat. **16th May** in High School, Rathgar from 11am - 3pm. All welcome.

Pastoral Centre/Community Centre

A meeting took place in the library during the week between members of the Management of South Dublin County Council Community Dept., the Residents' Association, the Management Committee of the Community Centre, Ballyroan Parish and a number of local Councillors/TD. As agreed with SDCC the Community Centre was vacated in Jan. '09 to enable the work to commence on site in Feb. '09. It then appeared that the project had become a casualty in the recession much to the annoyance and frustration of the local community. We are now happy that SDCC are committed to the project and the work will be funded. The Community Centre will be refurbished (along with the building of the Pastoral Centre) and reopened, as soon as possible, to enable the good work done voluntarily by groups such as the

Community Care, Meals on Wheels to continue into the future. SDCC apologised to the community for any hurt and frustration the delay in the project has caused to the community.

Quiz Night

The Umbrella Foundation is holding a charity quiz night on **Wed. 6th May** in St. Jude's GAA Club at 8.30pm. Tables of 4 cost €40. Further details from Jim Fox @ 087 259 1482.

Thank You

Maureen Murray wishes to thank all those who supported her recent coffee day in aid of Sr. Rose Carmel's Romanian Mission, €4070.30 was raised.

*May we know and follow
the vocation to which you
have called each of us.*