

**PARISH OF THE HOLY SPIRIT  
BALLYROAN NEWSLETTER**

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**23<sup>rd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary  
Time  
5<sup>th</sup>/6<sup>th</sup> September 2009**

**6pm Sunday Mass**

At the moment I am sad to say it is not possible to resume the 6pm Sunday Mass. Fr. Marco leaves in mid-September and so far I have been unable to obtain the services of a 'resident' priest. Fr. Dan Callaghan has most generously agreed to help us a little bit more than he is doing already. I'll keep you posted if things change. Fr. Brendan

**Theology Course**

The Theology Course being hosted by Ballyroan Parish will re-commence on Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> September 2009 in Colaiste Eanna at 7.30pm. This course started in January 2009, but if you would like to join the course now,

please contact Sr. Margaret Prendergast on 087 232 9144.

**Al-Anon Family Groups**

If someone you care about has a drinking problem..... You can see what it is doing to them. Can you see what it is doing to you?

Contact Al-Anon for help on 01 873 2699 or email [alanonuk@aol.com](mailto:alanonuk@aol.com).

**Meals on Wheels**

Drivers are required for delivery of meals on Wheels, one hour per week, Tuesday to Friday. Please contact Pat Roche on 01 494 6825.

**St Joseph's Young Priests Society** monthly meeting will take place next Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> September in the Presbytery at 7.30pm.

**House-bound Parishioners**

If you or any member of your family is unable

to come to Church due to sickness or old age, please contact the Parish Office and arrangements can be made to bring Holy Communion to them either every day or on Sundays and First Fridays.

**Parish Pastoral Council & Hospitality Group**

Are meeting on Thursday with the Jesuit Outreach to young adults Group - **Slí Eile**-

**Booking of Masses,**

Anniversary or Special Intention Masses may be booked Monday to Friday by calling or contacting the Parish Office between 10am to 12 pm) and on Saturday or Sunday by calling into the Sacristy after all Masses.

**Do this in Memory** parish based First Communion Programme, general meeting will take place in the Church on 15<sup>th</sup> September 2009 at 8pm.

The local conference of **St Vincent de Paul** meets in the back Sacristy of the Church on Monday evenings.

**Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> October  
Feast day of Our Lady of  
the Rosary**

Pope St. Pius V established this feast in 1573. The purpose was to thank God for the victory of Christians at the battle of Lepanto—a victory attributed to the praying of the rosary. Clement XI extended the feast to the universal Church in 1716. Our Lady of the Rosary is the Patroness of Irish Defence Forces.

The Rosary is recited in the Church each day, Monday to Saturday after the 10am Mass. All are welcome.

*"I think a hero is an ordinary individual who finds strength to persevere and endure in spite of overwhelming obstacles."  
Christopher Reeve*