

## BALLYROAN PARISH NEWSLETTER

17<sup>th</sup>/18th September 2011

### **Coffee Mornings**

Thank you to all who supported the Coffee Morning for the Hospice in the Ruah Centre on Wednesday we raised over €500. Thanks, too, on behalf of Therese Beggan whose coffee morning raised €2,300 and well done to the other families who also hosted coffee mornings around the parish. The

Annual Collection for Crosscare replaces the Share Collection this weekend. Crosscare is involved in a wide variety of social projects in the Archdiocese of Dublin. Since it was founded over 70 years ago, it has continued to seek to redress poverty and social exclusion. In reaching out to those most in need Crosscare operates 11 programmes throughout the Diocese.

The Children's Liturgy will resume at the 12 Mass this weekend. And well done to the organising team who did such a lovely job last weekend at the coffee morning in aid of the Orphanage in Zambia.

**Bethany Support Group** - have their monthly meeting at 8pm on Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> September in the Ruah Pastoral Centre. It is open to all and is a professional and confidential service for all who are feeling the effects of grief and loss.

**Our Church Cleaning.** Having done a big job on the church floors just before First Holy Communion we want to maintain it in the lovely condition it is in, a few of our wonderful volunteers have retired and it's not fair on the others to have to do extra work. We really do need a few people to volunteer as a sign of solidarity and ministry.

### ***Parish Harvest Fayre:***

*All systems are go for our Fayre - just a reminder that there will be no 12 Mass that day. The Fayre starts with the Rathfarnham Band and who knows we may have a visit from a few celebrities - a certain Sam comes to mind. We have most things covered thanks to the hard work of the organising committee - all we need now is good weather!*

*Some volunteers are required to do a little stewarding around the Church Grounds - our plan is to have two teams so people can enjoy the day and the atmosphere with their families and not be too busy, there will be a meeting for volunteers at 7.30 on Thursday for a ½ hour only! Last year's fayre brought in 10% of our total parish income, so it is important that it go well.*