

PARISH INFORMATION

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You can find us on Facebook and Twitter

CHURCH SERVICES

The Eucharist:

Monday to Friday: 10.00 am

Saturday Vigil: 7.00 pm

Sunday: 10.00 am and 12.00pm

Sacrament of Reconciliation:

6.30 – 6.55 on Saturday evenings

Baptisms:

Third Sunday of every month, contact

Parish Office

REFLECTION FOR THE EPIPHANY

The Magi were led to Christ by the light of a star.

But they saw the star only because
They were not afraid to travel in the dark.
The fact is, we cannot see the stars
In the bright light of day,
But only in the darkness of night;
And the darker the night,
The brighter they shine.
In a sense, all of us are night-time
travellers.

However, we need no longer fear the
darkness.

A light has come into the world,
A light that shines in the dark,
A light that no darkness can overpower.

Saints of the Week:

Tuesday 07-JAN:

St. Raymond of Penyafort, Priest



UPCOMING EVENTS

* Preparation for **first confession** and **first communion** is the 12:00 Mass on Sunday the 12th of January.

* Preparing for receiving the gifts and fruits of the Holy Spirit at **sacrament of confirmation** Sunday January 19th at 12:00

* Prayer for **Christian Unity Week** is the 18th to the 21st of January.

* Catholic Schools Week is 26th January - 2nd February

From January 2020, when the Vincent de Paul collection takes place apart from Diocesan and Parish collections no other fundraising event will take place in the Church or Ruah centre. The St Vincent de Paul collection usually takes place on the second Sunday of every month.

Many thanks for your understanding.
Fr. Peter

Poinsettia at Christmas

The Parish Pastoral Council would like to sincerely thank all the Parishioner's who had poinsettia placed on the alter over Christmas in memory of their loved ones. As well as having their loved ones prayed for at all the Masses over Christmas, the poinsettia provided a beautiful sea of red on the alter. The surplus funds raised came to €540 which has been donated to the charity "Marys Meals". This generous gift will be used to bring life changing daily school meals to 25 children for the next year in Gold Camp Public School in Liberia, one of the poorest countries in the world.



Eucharistic Ministers

At a meeting of the Eucharistic Ministers it was suggested that at the 10.00 and 12.00 Masses on Sundays communion should be distributed from the centre aisle of the Church as well as from the altar. Parishioners that need assistance receiving communion should let a minister or usher know and their needs will be seen to.

Two chalices will be available at all Masses except for the 10.00 Mass on Sunday when there will be four chalices. At the 12.00 Mass on Sundays communion will be under one species only

PARISH FUNDRAISING - LUNCHTIME CONCERTS

Mairead Buicke (Soprano) and Anthony Byrne (Piano), two of Ireland's most outstanding artists join forces to bring a lunchtime concert of Opera and Song to the Ruah Centre Monday 27th of January at 12.05 Tickets €10 at the Ruah Centre Tuesday-Thursday 10.30-11.15



CHURCH OF THE HOLY SPIRIT BALLYROAN

5th January 2020

SECOND SUNDAY OF CHRISTMAS



PARISH RAFFLE - WIN A TRIP TO LOURDES

Tickets are on sale after Mass at the back of the for a trip to Lourdes for two people with Jet Travel. The tickets are non-refundable and are for Lourdes only. This gift includes flight and accommodation to the amount of €2000.

There are further prizes:

A Crib; A Voucher for 150 euro, A €50 voucher for Shannon's Pharmacy donated by Criofan Shannon; Christmas voucher sponsored by Peter Massey and assorted goods sponsored by Supervalu Ballyroan

The draw will take place on February 11th, the feast of our Lady of Lourdes after the 10.00 Mass.

Tickets cost 5 euro for ten tickets. Please leave your name and contact details on the ticket. Proceeds from the raffle will go to the parish.

Thanks very much to the donors.



Colour in at Mass:

Children are always welcome at mass with families. Colouring pencils are available for colouring in by children during mass.

Anyone wishing to become a Minister of the Word of Minister of the Eucharist can leave their names with Averna in the parish office. Eucharistic ministers are particularly needed for.

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday:

7.00: Michael Moore (A) and Tommy and Peggy Rossiter (A)

Sunday:

10.00: Julia and William Aherne (A) and Eileen Griffin (MM)

12.00: Moira Prone (A), William Kelly (A) and John Bolger (MM)

Monday: Brennan Family Deceased Members

Tuesday: John and Christine Nelson, Nora Fleming (A)

Wednesday: Martin and Winifred Ryan

Thursday: Marie Reddy (A)

Friday:

READERS' ROTA - 11/12 Jan

Saturday: Gerry Moore, Hillary Kenny

Sunday:

10.00 Brenda Warren, Joan Moore

12.00 Children, Children

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS - 11/12 Jan

Saturday: Joan McCarthy, Tess Flynn, Teresa McGreal, Maureen Murray, Eithne O'Riordan

Sunday:

10.00 Michael Keogh, Anne Keane, Liz Coyne
Phyllis McCathy, Val Beirne,

12.00 Averna Lahart, Kay McEvoy, Dolores Halpin,
John Whelan, John Brosnan

SUNDAY COLLECTIONS LAST WEEK

1st Collection (Common Fund) €1205

2nd Collection (Share) €1150

Shrine: €655

Thank you for your continued support and generosity.

Mass Cards and Parish Memorial

Mass cards are now available in the back of the Church, the Sacristy, and the Parish Office.

CHRISTMAS DUES

The Christmas Dues go towards the Diocese and the parish. If you wish to contribute, envelopes can be collected in the porch of the Church and left into the box at the end of the Church, the offering plate at Mass, the Sacristy, or the parish office.

Thank you for your generosity.

Mass times for the Feast of the Epiphany:
7.30AM in Ruah Centre, 10.00AM in the Church,
Evening mass in Rathfarnham at 7.30PM



In Memoriam

Michael Fleming, Tom McCabe, Cora Mooney, Theresa McMenamin

May their souls and the souls of all the faithfully departed Rest in Peace

HOLIDAY COLLECTIONS

1st Collection (Common Fund) €4585

2nd Collection (Share) €4205