

Church of the Holy Spirit Ballyroan

3rd October 2021

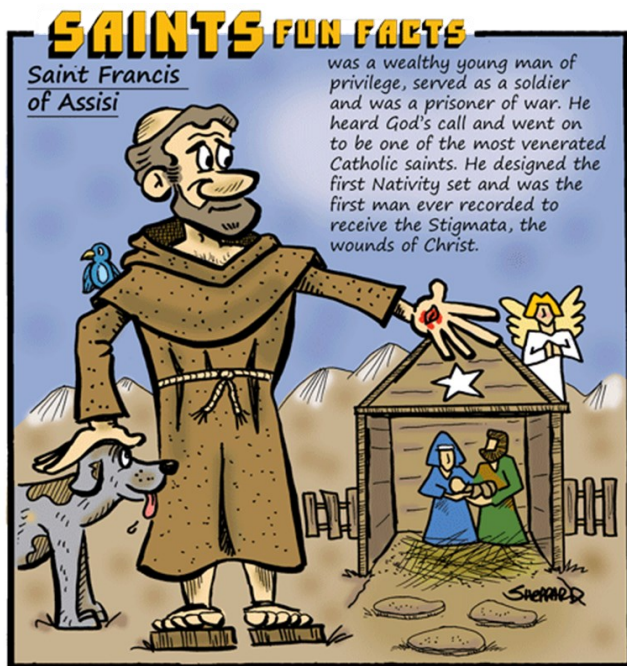
27th Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year B)



St Francis of Assisi (1181 - 1226)

Francis was the son of a prosperous cloth merchant in Assisi, but when his father objected to having his goods sold without his consent to pay for the restoration of a church, Francis gave back everything he had ever been given, even his garments.

He began a life of poverty, living by begging and he



preached to all the love of God and the love of the created world.

With a small group of likeminded young men, they saw the Gospel stories of the rich young man, whom Jesus told to sell everything, Jesus telling his disciples to take nothing with them on their journey and Jesus saying that his followers must also carry his cross. And on that basis, they founded an order. Francis went to Rome himself and persuaded the Pope Innocent III to sanction it in 1209.

Because Francis was wearing an old brown garment begged from a peasant, tied round the middle with string, that became the Franciscan habit. Ten years later 5,000 men were wearing it.

St. Francis of Assisi

born 1181/82, Assisi, duchy of Spoleto [Italy]—died October 3, 1226, Assisi; canonized July 16, 1228.

Bereavements

We extend our sympathy to the families of Margaret (Peggy) Farrell and Anne Marie Darker whose funerals took place during the week.

"Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord and let perpetual light shine upon them".



Readers Roster - 2nd & 3rd October

Saturday: David Meade : Joan McCarthy

Sunday: Helen Vysotska : Gerry Moore



Readers Roster - 9th / 10th October

Saturday: Margaret Howett : Tessa Dagg

Sunday: Hilary Kenny : Ann Walsh

Saints of the Day 2nd—8th Oct

Saturday: The Guardian Angles

Sunday: Of the Day

Monday: St. Francis of Assisi

Tuesday: St. Faustina

Wednesday: St. Bruno (Priest)

Thursday: Our Lady of the Rosary

Friday: Of the day

Finance Corner

1st Collection last week : €1055

Shrine : €885

Crosscare: €1878

We thank you for your generosity to this collection.

Some envelopes for CROSSCARE are available at the back of the church.

Mass Intentions 2nd / 8th October

Saturday: John Usher (A)

Sunday: Eibhtin MacPhaidin (A)

Eugene Donohoe (A)

Monday: Bea & Paddy Cusack (10th A)

Tom Ryan (RIP) : Mattie Moloney (2nd A)

Tuesday: Mass Association—DECEASED

Wednesday: Mass Association— LIVING

Thursday: Willie Drennan (14 A):

Burden Family (Special Intention)

Friday: Willie Hannon

Vacancy for Parish Sacristan

[The Church of the Annunciation, Rathfarnham](#) has a vacancy for a **part-time Sacristan** (21 hours per week).

The successful candidate will provide a high level of support to the Parish Team and the Parish Community by being responsible for the upkeep of the Church and premises as well as the maintenance and preparation for services on a day-to-day basis during weekdays as well as other compatible duties.

Main responsibilities:

- Preparing the Church for daily Mass and other services e.g., weddings, baptisms and funerals and other liturgies where required.
- Opening and closing the church
- Ordering/administering/stock control of church supplies
- Ensuring that the cleanliness and general condition of the church premises is maintained to a safe and acceptable standard

The successful candidate should have a good awareness and understanding of working in a church and of the Catholic liturgy and awareness and alertness of fire, health and safety regulations including the anti-covid regulations.

A full job description is available on www.rathfarnhamparish.ie

Contract: This is a 1 year fixed-term contract and a 6 months' probation period would apply.

Hours of Work: 21 hours per week, including w/ends.

Remuneration: Salary is negotiable

If you are interested in this position, please email your letter of application and current CV to:

mfc7534@gmail.com

For the attention of : **Fr. Martin Cosgrove,**

Moderator Rathfarnham Grouping of Parishes,

Publications.

The Irish Catholic newspaper (€2.50), The Messenger (€2) other Books and booklets are available for sale at the back of the church.

Some background to the Gospel of Mark (that we are reading on Sundays at this time):
by Deacon Frank

Mark's Gospel is the earliest of the four Gospels written about 65- 73 CE. At the time of the Jewish war with the Romans that led to the destruction of the second Jewish Temple in Jerusalem, and just after the Roman persecutions under Emperor Nero, of Christians when the lives of St Peter, St Paul and many others were taken. This may have prompted the writing- stories about famous people and events in the ancient world are passed on orally, but as the first eye witnesses die, people begin to see how important it is to write things down for later generations and this is what all the four Gospel writers did.

The Gospel or book is anonymous, but in the Second Century, Christians were writing according to Mark...



Scholars think that, the writer might be the man, John Mark, who was a companion of St Paul. He was a relative of Barnabas and his mother hosted meetings of the early Church in her home, so he would have met St Peter also. Imagine how excited he might have been listening in?

U3A

Next meeting of the **U3A** group will be on Monday 4th Oct at 10.30am in the Ruah.

Parish Information

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Parish Office Opening hours:

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Closed on Tuesdays

Mass Times

Monday - Friday: 10am
Saturday: 6pm
Sunday: 10am