

# Church of the Holy Spirit Ballyroan

3rd April 2022

FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT



## CHURCH PROJECTS

### SEATING

You may notice that the seating at the front of the church is being spaced out to make it safer for people moving into and out of the seats. This will continue throughout the church. The result will be more space and less seats. At present the church will sit 800 comfortably and 1000+ close together. The new arrangement will seat 600 comfortably. This project when finished will make it more comfortable and safer for all those using the church. During this process it may be necessary to remove some seat plaques, if this is necessary the plaques will be replaced on a nearby seat.

### FLOOR COVERING

It is intended to replace the floor covering in the church and this will be done in two stages. First will be the area under the seats. The second stage will be the aisles.

### SACRISTY ROOF

The sacristy roof is undergoing a refit. The felt was worn and degrading which has caused water damage in the sacristy and altar areas. The old felt is being removed along with any wet/rotten roof support. During this process no copper or lead were removed from the sacristy roof.

### RUAH

The Ruah is up and running again and recently had a complete paint makeover. The building is now lovely and clean as anyone who has dropped in will agree. Ongoing maintenance projects are being undertaken and we will keep you informed.

## Reflection for Lent From Fr. Michael: Give God Your Best!

Think about the teachers or coach whom you really respect. You'll give them your best, you'll do anything to make them proud.

God also wants your best effort too.

Imagine the creator of the universe wants a relationship with you... a relationship of faith, hope and forgiveness. God wants to give you his very best, give God the best version of you in return.

Before you could even count...you could count on him!



## THE BUTTERFIELD DISTRICT RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION

The BDRA is organising a Spring Clean Up on Sat 9th April from 10-12. This is our first clean up since 2019. We will gather outside Ruah Centre where litter pickers, bags and gloves will be distributed and return there at 12 for tea, coffee and light refreshments. Everyone is welcome and we really need all the help we can get. Please feel free to join us - even for just 1 hour. Please pass on this message to any other neighbours who may be interested. Thank You

## Saints of the Day 02nd April—8th April

Saturday: Francis of Paola

Sunday: Of the day

Monday: St. Isidore

Tuesday: St. Vincent Ferrer

Wednesday: of the day

Thursday: St. John Baptist De La Salle

Friday: Of the day

## Bereavements

We remember all who recently passed away in our parish. Our thoughts and our prayers are with their loved ones and their families.

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



A meeting of U3A members will take place in the Ruah Centre on Monday next April 4th @ [10.30.am](#).

## Finance Corner

1st Collection: €1,075.00

Shrine: €630.00

Ukraine:

Church Collection: €4,460.00

Coffee Morning: €2,200.00

Donation: €5,000.00

## Mass Cards /Anniversary Masses/Special Intentions

**Mass association cards** for the Deceased and the Living are available at the back of the church.

**Anniversary Masses and Special Intentions** can only be booked through the office.

**Individual Mass cards** that is, a Mass to be offered for a person on an unspecified day/time can only be booked through the office. This mass may be sent to a priest abroad due to the number of requested Masses.

**Very Important: Please note that face masks must be worn when entering the church.**

**Please also ensure you use the hand sanitizer**

**Thank you for your co-operation.**



Dear Parishioner,

A sincere thanks to all Parishioners who supported our Tea and Coffee reception on the weekend of the 19th March in the Ruah Pastoral Centre.

Your most generous contributions raised €6,200, which will feed an extra 339 children with a daily meal for the coming year in the two schools that our group are presently sponsoring, ie Gold Camp Community School in Liberia, and Chitala school in Zambia.

Kind Regards,

John Shortt

## Mass Intentions 02ND —8TH Of April

**Sat 7pm:** Brid Quinn (A) Maria Callaghan (A)

**Sun 10am:** Claire Lang (A) Special Intention (L)

**Sun 12pm:** Patrick Brannigan (A) Ann Reddy (A)

**Mon:** Peter Weafer (R.I.P)

**Tue:** Mass Association (Deceased)

**Wed:** Mass Association (Living)

**Thu:** Special Intention (L) Ken Merriman (A)

**Fri:** Damien and Ilish O' Reilly (R.I.P)

## Parish Information

**Parish Priest:** Father Michael Murtagh

**Deacon:** Frank Browne

**Parish Secretary:** Mary McDade

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## Parish Office Opening hours:

Monday - Friday: 10.00am – 12.00 noon

## Mass Times

Monday - Friday: 10am

Saturday: 7pm

Sunday: 10am & 12am