

Church of the Holy Spirit Ballyroan

04th December 2022

Second Sunday Of Advent



Our Gospel reading is from St Matthew 3: 1-12

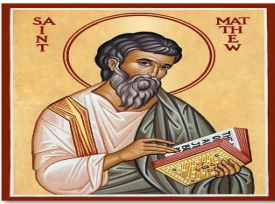
This Sunday is the second week of Advent. Our Gospel story introduces us to the important person, John the Baptist. The early Christians saw John as the man who prepared the way for Jesus. Scholars believe Jesus was originally a follower of John, all four Gospels refer to Jesus' baptism directly or indirectly by John. Jesus' public ministry only began after the arrest of his mentor John. But while John's message was about repentance and conversion, Jesus' message developed upon this, with the message of God's mercy and compassion.

Matt 3:11 'I baptise you with water...but the one who is more powerful than I is coming after me...He will baptise you with the Holy Spirit and fire.

The early Christian community were looking back after experiencing the glorified (risen Christ) in their lives and were making sense and links between the words of the prophets like Isaiah and all that was to happen with the coming of Jesus into the world (divine becoming human).

Can we bear witness to the message of Jesus in our lives. Is there anyone that you need to show compassion and understanding to in your life?

By Deacon Frank Browne



SVP are holding our annual Christmas appeal indoors in the Church of The Holy Spirit Ballyroan on 10th and 11th December

BCYC Cordially invite Active Age and Men's Shed to our Christmas Choir Event

“Christmas Choir Inclusion with Corus”

At Ballyroan Community & Youth Centre

Marian Road, Rathfarnham, Dublin 14

On Thursday December 15th at 12 noon—1pm

(Tea and Coffee served during the event)

RSVP FAO of Mark Garvey, Manager BCYC by 5pm

Friday 9th of December 2022 email: reception@bcyc.ie / 01 495 8576

(numbers will be limited)

Sitting at 11.45 am

Comhairle Contae
Atha Cliath Theas
South Dublin County Council



Night Fever Vigil

In

The Church of the Holy Spirit

On

Friday night 9th of December 2022

Any time between 7pm – 9pm



Saplings is holding its annual Christmas Bakesale, coffee morning and raffle in the Ruah Centre after all masses the weekend of 3/4 December. All the monies raised go towards funding therapeutic services and supports for the children. Ballyroan Parish's ongoing support has made a big difference to all the children and their families.

Remembrance flower on the altar at Christmas

A Red flower in remembrance of our loved ones. This will be placed on the altar, and prayed for at all the Christmas masses will be available to purchase at the back of the Church over the next four weeks and can be collected after the Christmas Masses. The surplus funds will go to the charity Mary's Meals.

Mary's Meals is feeding 2.3 million children with a life changing meal each school day in the 20 poorest countries in the World.

Unfortunately due to supply chain issues we were unable to get Poinsettia. However we have gotten

Cyclamen an equally lovely red flower.



THE UNIVERSITY OF THE THIRD AGE



The Christmas meeting of U3A members will take place on Monday next 5th December @ 10.30 am in the Ruah Centre . All Members welcome to join in on some festive fun!

Finance Corner

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| 1st Collection : | €1315 |
| 2nd Collection (Share) | €925 |
| Shrine: | €905 |
| Crosscare | €2415 |

Tap & Donate :

October 2022 : €953.00 from 107 transactions. This is split 60% to the Common Fund and 40% to Share.
The Share collection over the weekend of 22 and 23 October was for the Mission Sunday and €96.13 from the above went there .

Mass Intentions 26th—2nd December

Sat 7pm: Eddies Whelehan (A) Phyllis Dundon (M.M.) Brenda Hederman (A) Tim Scanlon (A)

Sun 10am: Dermot Connaughton (A) Des Bradley (A) Judy Brennan (A) Margaret Goonan (L)

Sun 12pm: Betty Maher (A) Mary Fox (A) Jim O D'wyer (A) Colm Curran (M.M.) Patricia Cahill

Mon: Michael Hanlon (R.I.P.) Liam & Mary Brady(A)

Tue: Mass Association (Deceased)

Wed: (Mass Association (Living)

Thu: Jim O 'Dwyer (A) Kay Dowling (Birthday remembrance R.I.P.) Christopher Comiskey (A)

Fri: Cecilia Durcan (R.I.P.) Bishop Martin Drennan (R.I.P.)

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".

Saints of the Day 26th —2nd December

Saturday: St. Francis Xavier

Sunday: St John Damascene

Monday: Of The Day

Tuesday; St Nicholas

Wednesday: St. Ambrose

Thursday: The Immaculate Conception Of The Blessed Virgin Mary

Friday: St Juan Diego Cuauhtlatoatzin

Parish Information

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Mass Times

Monday - Friday: 10am

Saturday: 7pm

Sunday: 10am & 12am