

Church of the Holy Spirit Ballyroan

30th April 2023

fourth Sunday Of Easter



The active retirement singers will be meeting on Sunday the 30th of April at 7.30 in the Ruah Centre . Come one, Come all to what is proving to be a very successful and fun evening. Don't miss out!

Our Gospel reading is from John Chapter. 10:1-10. 'The Good Shepherd'

(It's Vocations Sunday too!)

This story is only found in the Gospel of John. It portrays Jesus as the 'Good Shepherd.' As you may know, John's Gospel was the last and the most spiritual. The shepherd in the ancient, and nomadic world, never left his sheep. The image of the shepherd was powerful and was used interchangeably with king, both had to find safety for those who followed them. The words 'God, King and Shepherd' have been used interchangeably in our Bible.

King David in the Old Testament had been a shepherd in his earlier life. The parable of the shepherd's sheep is a parable about the Kingdom of God. Jesus is being proclaimed as a king, in John's Gospel. The Kingdom of God is a Kingdom of love, and we are being invited to 'enter the gate,' enter a deeper relationship with Jesus.

In the final paragraph of the Gospel, we read '**I am the gate. Whoever enters by me will be saved...I came that they may have life and have it abundantly.**'

By Deacon Frank Browne

(Ref: www.tarsus.ie)

U3A

Learn, laugh, live

" U3A trip to Ennistymon on Monday next. Bus will depart from rear of Ruah Centre on Monday 1st May @ 10.30. am." Thank you, June.



TROCARE BOXES

Please return Trocaire boxes to the church if you have them at home. They can be left in the Sacristy before or after all Masses. Many thanks



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Bereavement Support

National Bereavement Support for Adults

2 meetings for the bereaved will be held in the month of May

1. Ballyroan, the Ruah Centre, Monday 8th May at 7.30pm
2. Rathfarnham, Parish Centre, Friday 26th May at 11.45 AM.

These meetings are to support grieving people for as long as it takes on their journey of loss.



THIS WEEK END 29th and 30th saying Vincent de Paul will hold their monthly outdoor collection on SAT/ SUN 6th. and 7th MAY



Fr. Michael and the parish team wish to extend our sincere condolences to Paddy & Bernie Drennan and their extended family on the Loss of Fr. Michael Drennan SJ. His good works will live on in all our hearts. Fr Mike Drennan SJ is a former Director of Manresa and has practised extensively as a counsellor and as a spiritual director. He was Secretary General of the Conference of Religious of Ireland (CORI) from 2003 to 2007. Since then he has been engaged in administrative work in the Irish Jesuit Province. He will be sadly missed by all who knew him. May his gentle soul rest in peace.

Mass Intentions 29th— 05th May

Sat 7pm: Eilis Cahill (M.M) Aileen O' Donoghus (R.I.P)

Sun 10am: Special Intention (I) Ronan Delaney (R.I.P.)

Sun 12pm: John Hoppkins (R.I.P) Josie Barrett (R.I.P.)

Mon: Bank Holiday

Tue: Mass Association for Deceased

Wed: Mass Association for Living

Thu: Mary Brown (A) Margaret Molloy (A) Donna McGinty (R.I.P.) Eileen O'Donoghue (R.I.P.)

Fri: Special Intention (Deceased)

Whitefriar Street Church

ANNUAL ORGAN RECITAL SERIES 2023



Sundays in May at 7.00 p.m.

May being the Month of Our Lady, each recital will include works in honour of the Blessed Virgin Mary

- Sunday at 7.00 7th May** Peter McBride, of St Joseph's, Terenure
Works by Bach, Reger, Jongen, Peeters, and Schmidt
- Sunday at 7.00 14th May** David Leigh, of St Patrick's Cathedral, Dublin
Works by Bach, Jongen, Alain, Weitz, and Harvey
- Sunday at 7.00 21st May** Gerard Gillen, Titular Organist Emeritus, St Mary's Pro-Cathedral
Works by Cornet, Muffat, Bach, Peeters, Pärt, and Hakim
- Sunday at 7.00 28th May** Aleksandr Nisse, of St Mary's Pro-Cathedral, Dublin
Works by Franck, Saint-Saens, Florentz and Improvisations

Entrance Free - Retiring Collection
Busses for Aungier Street: 9, 14, 15, 122, 16, 65b, 68
LUAS: St Stephen's Green

Parish Information

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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