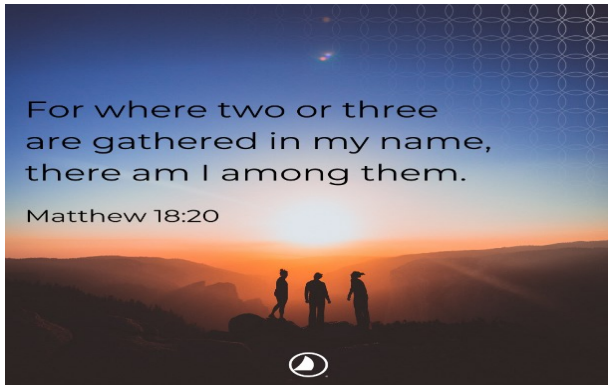


Church of the Holy Spirit Ballyroan

3rd of September 2023

Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Times



Our Gospel reading is from Matthew Chapter. 18:15-20.

Jesus tells his disciples, where two or three are gathered in my name, I am there among them. While approximately in 80AD, when the Gospel was written, there were small local church communities of perhaps up to 50 people. Everyone would have known each other, and there must have been great enthusiasm and joy for the message of Jesus Christ. Imagine people coming together in Jesus' name, to experience his living Spirit in their lives.

Despite the absence of many younger people, we still come to Mass in greater numbers than when the early Church met.

But are we as excited as them, with the Gospel's good news and open to experiencing the presence of Jesus' Spirit in our lives?

Are we able to share our faith with others?

Can we gently challenge those who have hurt us or dismiss our faith in Jesus?

But importantly, can we forgive others and be always willing to leave the door open to reconciliation?

By Deacon Frank Browne

Ref. José A. Pagola, 'A Commentary on the Gospel of Matthew 2012, & www.tarsus.ie.

WELCOME BACK

We are delighted to announce Fr. Michael is back safe and sound after a very successful trip to India. He is very much looking forward to meeting you all again this weekend. He is working on a little piece to explain all about his trip in the coming weeks.

Fr Michael and the parish team wish to thank Ger Healy, Joan McCarthy and Brona Silke who led our parish in prayer in Fr. Michael's absence. It is very clear how successful the morning prayers are with the sheer numbers who come out to enjoy the experience.

Ger, Joan and Brona thank you for your dedication to our church and community. It is so great appreciated by all of us.

THANK YOU

A meeting for the bereaved, whether the loss is recent or long ago, will take place on Monday the 11th of September at 7.30 to 8.30 pm in the Ruah centre.

This is a friendly meeting and confidentiality is assured. ALSO:

A six week programme "Living With Loss, Living After Loss" will take place from Tuesday 26th of September to the 31st of October at 7.30 to 9 pm.

If you wish to commit to this programme please fill in the form at the back of the Church and drop it in the box provided.

Details. Contact no 087 9341781

Helpline number is : 085 1479130



Bethany
Bereavement Support

National Bereavement Support for Adults

**FINANCE CORNER
COLLECTIONS**

5/6 August

1st Collection: €1,205

2nd Collection: €915

12/13 August

1st Collection: €1,440

2nd Collection: €990

15 August (Holy Day)

1st Collection: €260

2nd Collection: €200

19/20 August

1st Collection: €1,400

2nd Collection: €964

26/27 August

1st Collection: €1,220

2nd Collection: €900

SHRINE

€3945 (August)

TAP & DONATE

(Please consider using the Tap and Donate machines in the church as a means of contributing to the collections)

SPECIAL COLLECTION

Please note, the next special collection which will be the **Annual Crosscare** collection will take place on the weekend of 16/17 September. This will replace the Share collection at the weekend Masses.

Apostolate of Our Lady of Fatima



13th of September 2023 @2pm

The Church of The Holy Spirit

Ballyroan, D14 KP60

Adoration of the blessed sacrament ,Fatima Prayers,
Rosary, Confessions , Divine Mercy, Way of the
Cross, Benediction and Holy Mass.

Enrolment of Brown Scapular

Celebrant:

Fr Oisín Emanuel CFR

Fr. Piaras McLochlainn P.P.

All are very welcome

**CROSSCARE ANNUAL COLLECTION
16/17 SEPTEMBER 2023.**

The annual collection for CROSSCARE will take place next weekend at all Masses. This collection will replace the Share collection. Crosscare is the social support agency of the Archdiocese of Dublin. It provides accommodation support to homeless families and individuals, food services, youth services and support for migrants and refugees. Your support for this collection would be greatly appreciated at this time.

**Simon Morgan (Baritone)
& Maria Geheran (Piano)**

'A journey of songs'

A journey of songs, through the Classical and Romantic era, and right up to the Golden Age of Hollywood. This promises to be a colourful and wide ranging musical recital.

Monday 25th September 2023 @ 12.05pm
at the Ruah Centre



Tickets €10 at the Ruah Centre

Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday

~ 10.30-11.15am ~

Concert in aid of our Pastoral Centre and bringing great music to our parish.

Mass Intentions 09th Sep— 15THSep

Sat 7pm: William Hannon (A) Thomas Stratton (A) Terry Cooney (A) Brenda Warren (A) Neill Finnerty (Get Well soon)

Sun 10am: Rose Hackett(A) Special Intention (L) Paddy Hannigan (A) Terry Cooney (A) Declan Aherne (A)

Sun 12pm: Miriam Masterson (A) Deirdre Cunningham (M.M) Victoria San-Martin&deceased members of San Martin Family

Monday :Peggy Connaughton Special Intention (L)

Tuesday: Grainne Wall– Melly Special Intention

Wednesday: Eileen Cahill Special Intention (L)

Thursday: Angela Byrne (R.I.P.)

Friday: Billy Halligan (R.I.P)

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Mass Times

Monday - Friday: 10am

Saturday: 7pm

Sunday: 10am & 12am