

# Church of the Holy Spirit Ballyroan

04th of February 2024

Fifth Sunday In Ordinary Times

**Our Gospel reading this week is from St Mark  
Chapter 1: 29-39.**

*In the morning, while it was still very dark, he got up and went out to a deserted place, and there he prayed.*

Our gospel reading gives us another glimpse of what Jesus was like. In Mark's Gospel today, we are told that following his actions the previous day in curing Peter's mother-in-law and many others, Jesus went off early in the morning to a lonely place to pray. After praying he tells his disciples who were looking for him, that he has decided to move on to other towns to preach the message of our loving God.

We discover that when Jesus had to make an important decision, such as choosing his apostles he spent time in prayer. So, if Jesus who was the Son of God needed to spend time in prayer, how much more do we need to do the same.

**When you have an important decision to make, can you pray about it? Prayer can help us to discern how the Lord may be asking us to live our lives.**

*Reflection by Deacon Frank.*



SVP Monthly Outdoor Collections, Saturday 3rd and Sunday 4th February after all Masses.

Ballyroan Parishioners

Coffee Morning

This Coming Tuesday 6th of February

The Ruah Centre

After 10am Mass



At the heart of every good parish community  
there is a hot cup of tea.

Come and relax with friends or make new  
ones.

All are welcome

Thank you

The Ballyroan Parish Team

## Art Class with a Glass

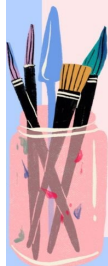
Join us in Bugler's Pub for an evening of fizzing creativity, guided by a Local Artist

Wednesday | Buglers Pub  
7th February | Ballyboden House  
7.30 to 9.30pm | D16XE72

Tickets €40

- Create your Masterpiece to bring home
- Canvas, paint, and brushes are all supplied – no experience required!
- Enjoy some prosecco and some fine food fare
- Come on your own or bring a pal, it's fun and all for a good cause

Book your tickets at:  
artclassfeb2024.eventbrite.ie  
or scan the QR code



Cathal McCabe (Tenor)  
Aoife O'Sullivan (Pianist)

## RUAH CENTRE

Monday 26<sup>th</sup> FEBRUARY 2024 @ 12.05pm



## Songs for Spring

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.

The blessing of St. Blaise According to the Acts, while Blaise was being taken into custody, a distraught mother, whose only child was choking on a fish bone, threw herself at his feet and implored his intercession. Touched by her distress, he offered up his prayers, and the child was cured. Traditionally, Saint Blaise is invoked for protection against injuries and illnesses of the throat. Fr Michael will be Blessing throats on Saturday 3rd of Feb @7.30



## Free Online Reflection & Meditation

Join us for 40 minutes to find healing and hope through the Sunday Gospel. We will do this through input, music, guided prayer etc...to help nourish the soul for the week ahead. Sunday Evenings 6.45p.m. Online via Zoom (4th, 11th, 18th February) Presented By Martina & The Ruah Team <https://www.ruahrest.com/> Further enquiries & bookings to [info@ruahrest.com](mailto:info@ruahrest.com)

## Mass Intentions 03rd feb— 9th Feb

Sat 7pm: Billy Magahran (R.I.P.)

Sun 10am: Frank Fitzgerald (A) Brendan O'Keefe (A) Collette O'Neill (A) Billy & Mary Keane (A)

Sun 12pm: Sean Stanley (R.I.P.) Aidan Candon (A) Michael Fennell (R.I.P.) Kathleen Wallace (A)

Monday : Eileen Byrne (A) Aileen O' Broin (A)

Tuesday: Mary Jo Ryan (A)

Wednesday : Mass Association Living

Thursday: Mass Association Deceased

Friday: Sean Mac Phaidín (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