

**PARISH OF THE HOLY SPIRIT
BALLYROAN NEWSLETTER**

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**18th Sunday in ordinary time
1st / 2nd August 2009**

Mass times:

07.30 Mon – Fri

10.00 Mon – Sat

Vigil 7 pm Sat

09.00, 10.30, 12.00 Sunday

Eucharistic Adoration

All are welcome to attend Eucharistic Adoration held in the Church every Tuesday after 10am mass.

Sr. Anne from Chile

We welcome Sr. Anne to our parish as she visits with family members here. Sr. Ann is a member of the Passionist Congregation working in Chile for the last 42 years where she was Principal of a High School for many years.

She is currently involved in project which involves taking families out of the poorest of the poor areas to put a roof over their heads. This is a self help project where small groups put the money together to buy the wooden panels to make and build the house. Each house

costs in the region of \$1,000 (US).

She is having a Church Gate collection after all masses this weekend. We wish her well.

Parish Finances

I have been going through our end of year accounts for the Diocese and I would just like to say big thank you to you all for your continued generosity in supporting not just this parish but also the priests in the less well off parishes, those retired due to age and illness, and also the various Diocesan Agencies (through the Share collection). You generosity in economically difficult times is wonderful and very encouraging.

I will of course give a detailed break down in the Autumn. (I don't think we need to go to NAMA)

Parish Office

Our parish office in 67 Ann Devin Park is closed for a few weeks while Aine takes her holidays with her family. Any enquires to the Sacristy around mass times or to me at No 69 and I'll do my best to help.

First Friday

Friday is the First Friday, masses at 0730 & 10 are offered for those on the November Altar List.

As Fr. Marco is in class on Friday morning, and Sr. Margaret is on holidays, I will have to do some of the First Friday calls on Thursday. I'll contact those on the Thursday list during the week to make sure you are free.

SINGING WORKSHOP For 8-14 year old girls and boys

The Pro Cathedral presents (in association with the RSCM) SINGING WORKSHOP For 8-14 year old girls and boys improve your voice - sing in groups & small ensembles – explore the world of song - develop a good technique - have fun singing

Monday 17 August to Friday 21 August (10am-1pm) & Saturday 22 August 2009 (5pm-7pm)

Course run by Blánaid Murphy Director of the Palestrina Choir & St Mary's Pro-Cathedral Girls' Choir

On the Saturday afternoon, participants in the workshop will sing at the 6.00 pm Mass in the Pro-Cathedral.

Fee for Workshop is €100.00

Further details from Blánaid Murphy: blanaid@murphy.net

I am happy to provide a parish scholarship for this workshop – for 2 children from the parish. Apply to Fr. Brendan

Our Sympathies on behalf of all in the parish to the family of Celine O Connell who passed away during the week.

May she rest in peace.

