



Church of the Holy Spirit

16/17th February 2013

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MASS TIMES

Vigil Mass: Sat 7.00 Sunday: 9.00,
10.30, 12.00

Mon – Saturday: 10.00 am

Morning Prayer: 7.30 am in the
Ruah Centre

EXPOSITION

After 10.00 Mass each Tuesday

LENT 2013

We are praying the Penitential Psalm 51 as part of our liturgies during Lent, please feel free to take a copy with maybe we'll have it memorised by the end!

During Lent and the Year of Faith, the parish is initiating a gathering of small groups of people in prayer in the presence of the Blessed Sacrament. These gatherings will take place in the homes of the people of the parish and will take place on five consecutive days starting on Monday 4th March. There is more information on leaflets which are available at the back of the church. This is a unique opportunity for your family and neighbours in this Year of Faith.

While I haven't been called to Rome for the upcoming Conclave we are organising a Parish Pilgrimage for the Year of Faith to the Eternal City and to see our new Pope – our plans are to depart 1st Oct and back on the 6th and will include a day trip to Assisi either side of St. Francis' Feast day on the 4th. Please leave your name in Parish Office if interested.

Fr. Brendan

FEAST DAYS THIS WEEK

Tues: St Flannan, Bishop
Thurs: St Fachanan, Bishop
Fri: St Peter Canisius, priest and Doctor of the Church

-First Confessions take place for all those making First Communion on Wednesday evening at 7.30 pm.

The Childrens Liturgy will take place at all Sunday Masses during Lent at the 12 Mass.

Bethany Bereavement Group are holding an evening of Prayer and recollection for the bereaved in the Ruah Centre next Thursday evening at 7.30pm. Some who have been recently bereaved will have received individual invitations, but all who are grappling with loss and grief are welcome to attend. Most likely there will be the first of a number of these meetings.

Grandparents Associations next meeting is on Thursday morning at 10.45am in the Ruah Centre, guest speaker Sr Margaret Prendergast.

-On Friday 1st March, the World day of Prayer takes place throughout the World. This year the prayer has been prepared by the Christian women of France. The theme is "I was a stranger and you welcomed me." Please come and join those in the local area who are celebrating in the Church of Ireland, Main Street Rathfarnham at 8.00 pm. We in Ballyroan are hosting this Prayer next year so it would be good if there was a turnout from ourselves.

Here in the parish we are planning a series of monthly talks to celebrate the year of faith, our first one will be on the 28th February – a momentous day in our Church of Faith with the resignation of Pope Benedict XIV that evening. Speakers will be Fr. John Byrne OSA and Bernadette Toal.

-The next concert takes place on Monday 25th February at 12.25. Claudia Boy returns for this concert. Tickets are sold out at this point.

Parish Office will be closed next Tuesday as Sancta Maria College are holding retreat in Ruah Centre. You can contact the office by phone on 01 4947303.

-Colasiste Eanna C.B.S. are holding an open morning on Saturday 2nd March between 10am and 12 noon, 5th class boys and their parents are invited to a presentation and tour of the school.

-We remember all those who attended the Pre-Marriage course in the parish this weekend. May they have many years of happy life in the future.

-The best of luck to the staff of Ballyroan library as they prepare to open their doors on Monday. We wish them well as they continue to serve the people of the neighbourhood.

-There is a talk in the Iona Centre, Knocklyon on Monday 18th at 8.00 pm. The speaker is Fr. John Harris OP and the topic is "The Experience of Faith: What St Thomas Aquinas can teach us." All are welcome.

MASS INTENTIONS:

Saturday 7.00 pm – John Justin Caffrey (1st A); Sunday 9.00 – Martin Kelly (A) 10.30 – Jody O'Reilly (A); 12.00 – Eamonn Halpin (A) and Mary and Eugene Lacken (A); Mon 10.00 – Fr Vincent Daly (A); Tuesday 10.00 – Eddie Brennan (A); Wed Deirdre O'Connor RIP, Thursday 10am Brid Sharkey, Friday 10.00 – Brian O'Sullivan (A), Saturday 10am – Geoffrey Brooks (A)

Anniversaries: Monica Sweeney, Maura Davis, & Rose & Paddy Coleman
RIP: Marie Croke