

PARISH OF THE HOLY SPIRIT BALLYROAN NEWSLETTER

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Rockbrook Park School

Open Day in School at 3pm on Sun. 11th October 2009. All welcome. Contact 01 4933204 or www.rockbrook.ie

**28th Sunday in Ordinary
Time
10th/11th October 2009**

St Vincent de Paul monthly collection takes place this weekend after all Masses.

Parish Pastoral Council next meeting on 13th October 2009 at 8pm in the Presbytery, 67 Anne Devlin Park.

Thur. 15th: St. Teresa of Avila, virgin and doctor of the Church. Teresa was deeply contemplative, highly active and practical, established Carmelite convents under a reformed rule, and wrote much on prayer and the spiritual life. She is patron of lace-makers and headache sufferers.

Newsletter Deadline

All items for consideration for our parish newsletter are to be left in the sacristy or the parish office by *Wed.* of each week. The newsletter is also to be found on our parish website.

or old age, please contact the Parish Office and arrangements can be made to bring Holy Communion to them either every day or on Sundays and First Fridays.

Would you like to be a Reader in our Parish? The role of the reader is to stand before the congregation in a liturgical celebration and proclaim to them the assigned reading, aside from the Gospel. This may mean that a reader will read an Old Testament reading and/or a New Testament reading. A reader might also be asked to lead the Prayer of the Faithful during Mass. Proclaiming is a very different activity to simply reading along with the congregation. The one who reads puts the word of God out into the midst of the congregation. As St. Paul said, this word is alive and active.

The reader's task is to draw people's eyes up from their missalette in order to listen to the word of God that is now among them. The reader speaks a

message from God and as such is God's instrument. This requires of the reader a living relationship with God and God's word. It further requires that a reader understands his/her task as a communicator.

We are looking for new volunteers to add to our Readers Roster - We will organize some training if requested so no need to worry. The more voices proclaiming God's word the better for all. (Fr. Brendan)

WHAT D'YOU THINK OF THE NEW OFFERTORY PLATE?

