

Church of the Holy Spirit, Ballyroan

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2nd SUNDAY OF ADVENT

EVENTS IN THE PARISH FOR THE WEEK

- Sat.- Bring and Buy sale with coffee and cakes in the Ruah Centre after Mass in aid of the Refugee crisis.
- Sun.- Sale in the Ruah Centre (as above) after the Masses Baptisms in the Church at 1.00 pm
- Mon.- Vigil Mass for the feast of the Immaculate Conception at 7.00 pm
- Tues.- Meeting for Parents in the Do This in Memory Programme In the Ruah Centre at 7.30 pm Pilates in the Ruah centre pm
- Wed.- Mother and Toddler Group in Ruah Centre am
- Thurs.- Pilates in the Ruah Centre am Legion of Mary meet in the Ruah Centre at 10.30 am AA Meeting in the Ruah Centre at 8.00 pm.
- Fri.- Colaiste Eanna Carol Service in the the Church at 12.00
- Sat/Sun.-Annual Indoor Collection for the St Vincent de Paul.

-A HUGE THANK YOU TO EVERYONE WHO MADE THE CHRISTMAS MARKET SUCH A GREAT SUCCESS. SPECIAL THANKS TO THE ORGANISING COMMITTEE, THE LIBRARY AND COMMUNITY CENTRE STAFF, THE STALL HOLDERS, THE MANY VOLUNTEERS WHO GAVE THEIR SERVICES, TO SANTA CLAUSE WHO DROPPED BY TO SEE CHILDREN BIG AND SMALL AND OF COURSE TO THE GOOD LORD WHO GAVE US SUCH A MILD WINTER'S EVENING.

- Please support this weekend's Bring and Buy, Coffee and Cake sale in the Ruah Centre. This is being hosted by a member of the parish who wishes to make a difference to the lives of the many refugees fleeing their homes in terror
- Poinsettias for Christmas will be on sale this week at a cost of €10.00. As last year, these plants will be placed at the altar over Christmas to remember the intentions of all those whose names are attached. Surplus donations after the sale will be given to Brother Kevin, Church Street. This amounted to €400.00 last year.
- The Christmas Mass Bouquet cards are available in the parish office. All the Masses on Christmas Eve and Christmas Day will be offered for all on the Christmas Mass Bouquet list. Proceeds will go to Brother Kevin.
- The list of Christmas Masses is now available in the sacristy and Readers and Ministers of the Eucharist are asked to sign their names if they are available and willing to minister over the Christmas period.
- Volunteers are needed to help with the Children's liturgy on Christmas Eve. Please contact Maria Gannon 086 4025844 if you are interested.
- Ballyroan Scout Troup are selling Christmas trees in the Den on Marian Road. Weekends from 9.00 am – 6.00 pm and Thurs. and Friday from 6.00 pm – 9.00 pm.
- The Library are hosting an information and consultation meeting for the over 55's on Monday at 3.00 pm. Booking is essential but all are welcome.
- Practice for the RAY group on Sunday 13th Dec. at 7.00 pm.in Ruah Centre

MASS INTENTIONS

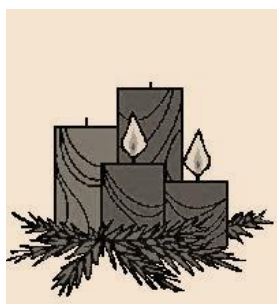
Sat 7.00 pm-Jim Fingleton (Month's Mind); Sun. 10.00-Paddy McGowan (A), Des Bradley (A) and Sean Kelly (recently deceased); 12.00-Jo and Pat Moriarty (A) and Mary Fox and John Gunn (A); Mon 10.00-Anne O'Dwyer (A); Tues. 10.00-Norrie Ryan (A) ; Wed 10.00-Ailish Flynn RIP; Thurs 10.00-William McCarthy and family RIP; Fri.10.00-Declan Aherne RIP.
 Anniversary: Eddie Whelahan

Readers for NEXT weekend

- 7.00 pm: Tessa Dagg
John Whelan
- 10.00 am: Joanne Gannon
Aine Vaughan
Eileen Goodwin
- 12.00 Frank Browne
Jim Langan
Irene Heeney

Readers for THIS weekend

- 7.00 pm: Geraldine Perkins
Gerry Moore
- 10.00am: Pauline Ryan
John Whelan
Anne Keane
- 12.00: Moira O'Brien
Grainne Hagan
John Daly



In this season of Advent, we stay awake in hope and anticipation for the coming of the Lord.

You are invited to prepare for Christmas this year by coming to the Parish Reconciliation Service on Monday 21st December when there will be an opportunity to reflect and avail of the Sacrament of Reconciliation.

There will be a meeting for all children who want to take part in the Christmas Eve Mass Play on Sunday 13th after 12.00 Mass.

PLEASE GIVE GENEROUSLY TO
 THE ANNUAL CHRISTMAS
 APPEAL OF THE St Vincent de
 Paul Society at all Masses next
 week

FEAST DAYS FOR THE WEEK

- Mon: St Ambrose
- Tues: The Immaculate Conception of Mary
Holy Day of Obligation