

Thank you for your generosity  
last weekend

Offertory Collection - €685.00

This collection is for the ordinary day-to-day  
running of the Church in Gurrabraher.

2<sup>nd</sup> Collection last weekend for Pope  
Francis' visit to Ireland - €605.00

Special thanks once again to Eily Morris  
and her supporters for raising the sum of  
€500.00 for Church roof.

Donations for roof repairs gratefully accepted at  
Parish Office or they can be lodged directly into:

Ascension Church Building Fund A/c at  
AIB Bank  
IE65 AIBK 934194 32642064

### SUNDAY DUTY ROTA

August 12, 2018

A priest can be contacted if required  
this Sunday by phoning:

**Gurrabraher 085 804 1951**

*"If my people  
who are called by my name  
Will humble themselves and pray  
and seek my face –  
and turn from their wicked ways,  
then I will hear from heaven  
and I will forgive their sin  
and I will heal their land."  
- 2 Chronicles, 7:14.*

### Mass Intentions this Week

**Sat. 11, August**

6pm. Janet & Martin Forde, RIP

**Sun 12,**

9am. Special Intentions.

11.30am. Gerard Coughlan, RIP (4<sup>th</sup> Anniv)

**Mon 13.**

10am. Michael white, RIP.

**Tue 14.**

10am. Paul & Mary Horgan and sons Bertie & Paul, RIP

6pm. (Vigil Mass) Breda O'Connor, RIP

**Wed 15. Feast of Assumption**

8am. Special Intention

10am. Audrey McMahan, RIP

**Thu 16.**

10am. Eleanor O'Donovan, RIP. (2<sup>nd</sup> Anniv)

**Fri 17.**

10am. Patrick Lynch, RIP

**Sat 18.**

10.00. Pro-Populo

### RECENT DEATHS

*We pray for those recently deceased...*

**Seannie Fielding, Mt Nebo Avenue.**

**Eleanor O'Mahony, Templeacre Avenue**

**Helen O'Connor, Churchfield Tce, East**

*... Requiescat in Pace.*

**We have now opened an Account at  
Gurrabraher Credit Union  
to facilitate those who may wish to leave  
some money into our account –  
it is -  
Church of the Ascension Renovation Fund -  
A/c No. 02255200.**



## Ascension Parish

Gurrabraher, Cork.

Sunday, August 12, 2018.

**19<sup>th</sup> Sunday - Ordinary Time (B)**

Parish Office – 021-4303655 (If Urgent: 085-8041951)

email: [ascensionparish123@gmail.com](mailto:ascensionparish123@gmail.com)

Website: [www.gurrabraherparish.ie](http://www.gurrabraherparish.ie)

### Priests of the Parish:

Fr. Tomás Walsh, SMA. Tel: 021-4303658. ([tomas.walsh@sma.ie](mailto:tomas.walsh@sma.ie))

Fr. Aidan Vaughan, OFM, Cap. Tel: 021-4397472. ([aidan1302@gmail.com](mailto:aidan1302@gmail.com))

**Weekend Masses – Saturday 6pm (Vigil) & Sundays – 9am & 11.30am.**

### Feast of the Assumption, Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> August. [A Holyday of Obligation]



On Wednesday, 15<sup>th</sup> August, the Church around the world gathers to celebrate the Feast of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary into Heaven. The Dogma of the Assumption holds that Mary, once she slept the sleep of death, was assumed body and soul into Heaven. Mary, for her pivotal role in God's salvation plan for

the world, is singularly privileged to be taken-up into Heaven without having to experience bodily corruption as all other human beings. Mary remains forever the great sign of hope for all humanity – where Mary has gone we too hope to follow. Even now Mary continues to be God's pre-eminent collaborator in bringing salvation to his people.

**The Feast of the Assumption is a holyday of obligation –  
Masses: Tuesday August 14<sup>th</sup> – Vigil Mass at 6.00pm  
Wednesday Masses at 8.00am, 10.00am and Mass at Lee Road @ 7.30pm.**

### **Handel's Messiah at Gurrabraher Church in December 2, 2018**

The East Cork Choral Society will perform *Handel's Messiah* at Ascension Church, Gurrabraher on Sunday, December 2, 2018 @ 8pm. This performance of the Messiah by East Cork Choral Society will be a truly professional event that will be in huge demand. The soloists will be: Mary Hegarty – Soprano; Sarah-Ellen Murphy – Alto; Peter Stobart – Tenor; Timothy Emberson – Bass. East Cork Orchestra – Eithne Willis, Leader. The Conductor of East Cork Choral Society is Colin Nicholls. Admission will be €20.

The East Cork Choral Society has kindly agreed to stage this performance at Gurrabraher to coincide with the completion of work on the roof – and have also agreed to give all proceeds from the event towards clearing our Church debt. Tickets will soon be available at Parish Office, Pro Musica in Oliver Plunkett St. and from Society members.

### **Wanted Used Clothing**

Ascension Parish is looking for used clothing to raise funds for Church roof. The clothing must be of good enough quality that they can be sold onwards. We ask families in the parish to leave-in their used clothing to the Parochial Hall or the Church Parish Office. If you are not in position to drop them at either location we can make provision to have them collected. Substantial money can be made via this venture. Let's all work together to repay our Bank loan.

### **Six Mile Sponsored Walk for Church Roof**

A sponsored walk is being organized for Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> September, 2018 @ 2pm. The proposed walk is up Churchfield Estate, along the avenue, down Fairhill, turning left at Blackstone Bridge and along old Blarney Road; up Faggot Hill and down Clogheen – finishing at St Vincent's Hurling and Football Club. (A circle that takes about two hours) There at St Vincent's refreshments will be provided plus music and song by Walter O'Leary. (Spot prizes will also be provided). All are invited to the after-event at St Vincent's for craic and support. Sponsorship Cards (containing 10 lines) will be available from the end of August. We thank sincerely Mr Seamus O'Brien and Mr Michael Walsh, parishioners of Knocknaheeny, for organizing this event. We ask parishioners to support this event.

### **Mass at Marian Shrine, Lee Road, on August 15<sup>th</sup>**

The annual Mass on the Feast of Our Lady of Assumption will take place on Wednesday, 15<sup>th</sup> at the Marian Shrine on the Lee Road at 7.30pm. The Mass will be celebrated by Bishop John Buckley. We are invited to show our devotion to Our Lady be being present on that night.

### **Families from around the world Meet in Dublin**

A special ceremony to mark the 'World Meeting of Families will take place at the North Cathedral on Tuesday, 21<sup>st</sup> August, 2018 @ 7.30pm. The ceremony will be led by Bishop John Buckley - and the homily will be preached by Msgr Aidan O'Driscoll. A candle will be distributed to all parishes at the ceremony for to be lit in each parish church for the duration of the ceremony.

The Catholic Bishops of Ireland have also asked that the bells of every church in the country be rung from 7:00pm to 7:15pm on Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> August to call the people to prayer for the family as the International event is opened in Dublin.

### **Lourdes Pilgrimage – June 2019**

A pilgrimage to Lourdes is being organized from Knocknaheeny from 11<sup>th</sup> – 16<sup>th</sup> June, 2019 - it will coincide with the annual pilgrimage to Lourdes by the Diocese of Cork & Ross. If interested please contact Seamus O'Brien, (087 663 8615) or Michael Walsh (085 724 3175).

### **Meals on Wheels**

Gurrabraher Meals on Wheels delivers hot, nutritious meals daily to many of our senior neighbours in the Churchfield/Gurrabraher/Blarney Street area. If you or someone you know would like to avail of this service please contact us at 087 267 5476 or 021 430 1037. We can also be contacted at [gurrabrahermealsonwheels@gmail.com](mailto:gurrabrahermealsonwheels@gmail.com) We also look for volunteers to help us run this service – particularly drivers to deliver meals.

### **Calling Young People to a deeper knowledge of their Faith**

We invite young people who wish to have a more adult understanding of the faith to make contact with one of the priests of the parish. They will be directed to where they can, along with people of their own age, delve into the mystery - and encounter Jesus, the Risen Lord. Only some kind of encounter with Jesus will sustain us in the years ahead as Ireland turns its back on Christ and believes more and more that it is sufficient on its own.

### **Bus to Phoenix Park for Papal Mass**

A special meeting has been fixed for all those who have registered to travel to Dublin for the Papal Mass on the Gurrabraher Bus for **Thursday, 23<sup>rd</sup> August at 7pm**. Full details will be provided and the logistics for the day explained so that it will be a most memorable day in the lives of all who will travel.

### **Mass Cards available for all occasions**

Mass Cards are available at the Parish Office for all occasion, RIP, Get Well, Birthdays, Anniversaries, Exams, etc. – the intentions are included in Nine Masses (Novena) celebrated each month in the parish. Card cost €3.