

Thank you for your generosity  
last weekend's  
Offertory Collection - €1,470.00

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

**Second Collection this weekend for  
supporting Counselling services for  
Marriages in difficulty.**

*Donations for Church Renovations gratefully  
accepted at Parish Office -  
or they can be lodged directly into:*

**Ascension Church Building Fund A/c at  
AIB Bank  
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### **SUNDAY DUTY ROTA**

**November 18, 2018**

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

**Farranree 087 096 7177**

***"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. 17, November**

6pm. Maurween O'Sullivan, RIP (2<sup>nd</sup> Anniv)

**Sun 18.**

9am. Cormack O'Sullivan, RIP.

11.30am. Rose Meehan, RIP (14<sup>th</sup> Anniv)

**Mon 19.**

8am.

10am. John, Catherine & Lena Newlan, RIP.

**Tue 20.**

8am. Holy Souls.

10am. Denis Sheehan, RIP (2<sup>nd</sup> Anniv)

**Wed 21.**

8am. Holy Souls.

10am. Daniel O'Callaghan, RIP (18<sup>th</sup> Anniv)

**Thu 22.**

8am. Mary Lynch & Lynch family RIP

10am. Jerry And Agnes Daly, RIP

**Fri 23.**

8am. Con Hegarty, RIP (1<sup>st</sup> Anniv)

10am. Tom Linehan, RIP

**Sat 24.**

10.00. Anna O'Connor-Dizzerard, RIP.

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***We pray for those recently deceased...***

*Tony Shinkwin, The Mews, Shanakiel*

***... 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, November 18, 2018.**

**33<sup>rd</sup> Sunday in 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.**

### **The Living and the Dead work together in God's Plan of Salvation**

"The Christian who seeks to purify himself of his sin and to become holy with the help of God's grace is not alone. 'The life of each of God's children is joined in Christ and through Christ in a wonderful way to the life of all other Christians in the supernatural unity of the Mystical Body of Christ, as in a single mystical person.'

"In the communion of saints, 'a perennial link of charity exists between the faithful who have already reached their heavenly home, those who are expiating their sins in purgatory and those who are still pilgrims on earth. Between them there is, too, an abundant exchange of all good things.' In this wonderful exchange, the holiness of one profits others, well beyond the harm that the sin of one could cause others. Thus, recourse to the communion of saints lets the contrite sinner be more promptly and efficaciously purified of the punishments for sin." (CCC 1474, 1475)

In these days of November we take time to remember in a special way the souls in purgatory; members of your family, your friends and others that have crossed your path before they entered death's door. Pray for them. They are poor because they have yet to see the heavenly vision that awaits them not because they are destitute or hopeless. In fact, they are filled with hope and joy as their destiny has been sealed. They will see the Lord face to face.

### **Handel's Messiah at Gurrabraher Church - 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. 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 are now available at Parish Office, Pro Musica in Oliver Plunkett St. and from Society members.

### **Christmas Triduum Mass Cards**

Mass Cards that will remember in a Triduum of Masses, all those whom the Cards will reach this Christmas are now available in Parish Office (and in Sacristy during weekend Masses). The three Masses will be offered on 24<sup>th</sup>, 25<sup>th</sup> & 26<sup>th</sup> December. These Masses will be offered up that God's love and peace may reign in each heart and home over the Christmas period - and throughout the coming Year. **Cards are €2 Euro each – 3 for €5.**

### **SMA Calendars for 2019**

The SMA Fathers have asked us once again to help the missions by selling their 2019 Calendar. This Calendar is a very good quality production with Public Holidays and Holy Days of Obligation clearly marked out. It is priced at €3 each.

### **Eucharistic Adoration each Friday**

There will be 'Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament' in the side Chapel each Friday beginning after the 10am Mass - and concluding at 6pm. Pope Benedict spoke of the necessity of Eucharistic Adoration ***"in order to help the world rediscover again the face and love of God."*** We invite all parishioners to come at any time during these hours of adoration and spend some time with the Lord. Jesus says: *"Come to me all you who labour and are overburdened – come and find rest for your souls."*

### **Tea Dance at Hut next Sunday: 3pm – 6pm.**

Cork City Partnership is holding a Tea Dance at the Hut on Sunday next, 18<sup>th</sup> November from 3pm – 6pm. Refreshments will be served. All invited; no tickets required – just turn up for music, dance, song and craic.

***Next Pre-Baptism Instruction for those parents living outside the parish on Thursday December 6, 2018 @ 7pm in Parish Office***

### **Deacon Frank McKeivitt Assists in Liturgy this weekend**

For a long, long time 'deaconate' was seen as a stage a man passed through before he was ordained as priest. Yet, in the early Church permanent Deacons were very much part of the Church's Ministry, (cf Acts 6: 1-6), assisting priest and bishop in ministering to the faithful. The diaconate is an ordained ministry, but unlike the other two ministries within Holy Orders, there is no obligation to celibacy. Deacons are permitted to proclaim the Gospel, preach, baptise, preside at funerals and weddings and bring Communion to the sick: they are not permitted to celebrate the Eucharist, hear Confessions or anoint the Sick - just as a priest is not permitted to administer the Sacrament of Holy Orders. Today, Rev Frank McKeivitt, a married man and father of three grown-up children, who was ordained Deacon in 2013, will assist at our Masses here in Gurrabraher - and tell us a little bit about his own faith journey to Deaconate. We welcome his presence among us this morning.

### **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 meal.

### **Wanted used clothing and other unwanted items for Bric-a-brac**

We are still requesting for quality used clothing and other unwanted items that can be sold at a Bric-a-brac to raise funds for the Church. They can be handed into Parish Office or if necessary they can be collected.

### **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.

### **Holy Hour of Adoration – Each Thursday from 7pm to 8pm.**

We invite parishioners to join us each Thursday evening for a quiet hour with the Lord. This hour is a powerful escape from the busy world and for coming into communion with Jesus, Our Lord. During this Holy Hour, (mostly in silence), we pray especially for vocations to the priesthood and religious life. We also bring before the Lord the names of those who are sick and in need of healing.

### **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).