

The Offertory collection last weekend amounted to €1,025.

*This collection is used for the ordinary day-to-day maintenance of the Church.*

*The 2<sup>nd</sup> Collection last weekend For World Meeting of Families which brought Pope Francis to Ireland – amounted to €520.*

*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**

**June 9, 2018**

A priest can be contacted if required this Sunday at:

**Cathedral 087 238 1187**

***“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. 8, June**

6pm. Mary Frances Murphy, RIP (1<sup>st</sup> Anniv)

**Sun 9.**

9am. The Egan Family Intentions.

11.30am. Paddy & Julia Forde, RIP.

**Mon 10.**

8am. Novena Mass 3.

10am. William & Eileen Healy, RIP

**Tue 11.**

8am. Mary Rennie, RIP (1<sup>st</sup> Anniv)

10am. Rachel O’Leary, RIP.

**Wed 12.**

8am. Private Intentions

10am. Private Intentions.

**Thu 13.**

8am. Holy Souls.

10am. The Egan Family Intentions.

**Fri 14.**

8am. Novena Mass 4.

10am. Billy Lee, RIP (6<sup>th</sup> Anniv)

**Sat 15.**

10am. *Pro Populo*

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

***Requiescat in Pace.***

***Gurranabraher Parish asks you to please consider dropping a few Euro each week into our Credit Union Account – Church of the Ascension Renovation Fund - A/c No. 02255200.  
Thank You!***



## **Ascension Parish**

**Gurranabraher, Cork.**

**Sunday, June, 9, 2019.**

## **Feast of Pentecost (C)**

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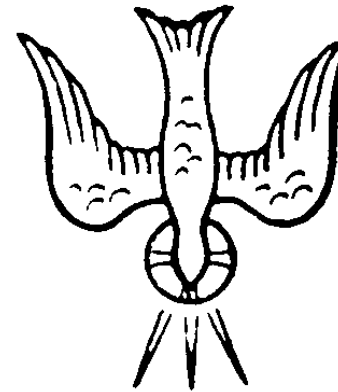
### **Priests of the Parish:**

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

### **Pentecost - Holy Spirit Rebuilds the Bridge between Earth and Heaven**



Today we celebrate the great Feast of Pentecost – the day the Holy Spirit descended powerfully upon the Apostles; and thus the Church’s mission in the world began. Pentecost is recognized as the beginning of the Church – it is born to go out and tell the whole world that the Risen Jesus is for all peoples of every place and time.

Pentecost is the new Sinai, it is the feast of the new pact, in which the Covenant with Israel is extended to all the people of the earth. For this reason, the Church was Catholic and missionary from her inception. The universality of salvation is significantly highlighted in

the list of ethnic groups who listened to the first announcement of the Apostles. The People of God ... was enlarged ... until it no longer knew frontiers of race, culture, space or time. Unlike what happened in the Tower of Babel - when men, intent on building a way to heaven with their own hands, ended up by destroying their capacity to understand one another - in the Pentecost event the Spirit, with the gift of tongues, shows how His presence unites and transforms confusion into communion. ... The Holy Spirit ... rebuilds the bridge of true communication between earth and heaven. The Holy Spirit is Love.

### **The Corpus Christi Procession – 23<sup>rd</sup> June, 2019.**

The Annual Corpus Christi procession to celebrate Jesus' presence among us in the Eucharist will be coming up on Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup>, June, beginning at Daunt's Square at 3pm. The procession from Gurrabraher will leave Church gates at 2.30pm – joining with neighbouring parishes at Cathedral. We ask parishioners to please make a serious effort to walk with us on the day - and not be afraid to show your faith in Jesus, Our Lord. One day each of us will have to give an account of ourselves at the judgement seat of God for what we have done and for what we have failed to do in making God known and loved.

### **Ordination of Fr Fintan Gavan - and Installation as Bishop of Cork & Ross**

On Sunday, June 30<sup>th</sup>, 2019 @ 3pm., Dublin Diocesan Priest, Fr Fintan Gavan, will be ordained Bishop - and installed as Bishop to succeed Bishop John Buckley who has been bishop of Cork and Ross since 1998. This is a momentous event in the life of a Diocese. A new leader comes to shepherd a particular flock in what are truly difficult times for the Church in Ireland. Added to that he comes to a place where he will have to learn the geography and the history of a large diocese - and get to know both priests and laity. He will also have to restore trust and confidence in a Church that has been wounded by grave sin – and teach fearlessly the truths of the Catholic faith. Furthermore, he will have to address huge existential problems such as the aging profile of priests - and declining numbers attending worship. The task before him is a truly daunting one - and he truly needs the prayers and support of the people of Cork and Ross. We thank Bishop-elect Gavin for his huge generosity in coming to work among us - and pray that he will be blessed with health and joy always.

Bishop-elect Gavin was born in Dublin on 1 January 1966; the second eldest of seven brothers and sisters. His family roots are in Marino on the Northside of Dublin city. Prior to his seminary formation Fr Gavin began training as a residential social worker in Our Lady's Hostel, Dublin, from September 1983 August 1984. He was ordained priest on 7<sup>th</sup> June, 1991 and has been involved in every area of church life since. He comes to Cork with a truly wide experience in Church administration, in the field of education, and in pastoral assignments both in Ireland and abroad.

***Each parish had been assigned 7 tickets for parishioners to attend. We ask those who would like to be present to submit their names and telephone numbers after Masses this weekend. Seven names will be drawn next weekend to select those who will represent our parish. The tickets are not transferable so only those who can be present on the day – and afterwards at the function at Rochestown Park Hotel - should submit their names.***

### **St Anthony's Novena at St Francis Church**

A novena to coincide with the Feast of St Anthony of Padua will begin at St Francis' Church, Liberty Street from June 4<sup>th</sup> – June 13<sup>th</sup>

### **Sacred Heart Novena**

A Novena to the Sacred Heart will begin at Missionaries of the Sacred Heart, Western Road, from Thursday, June 20 to Friday, June 28. The Novena will take place twice daily at 10am and at 8pm each day. The Novena will be led by Fr Joe McGee, MSC.

### **Gurrabraher Bingo every Sunday evening @ 8pm**

The Bingo every Sunday evening at Parochial Hall, as well as providing a great nights entertainment, is now bringing in essential funds that helps both hall, church and Meals on Wheels. We encourage more parishioners to come to the Bingo every Sunday night. It is a great night out - and it will provide into the future the funding that is needed to keep especially the Parochial Hall top spec. We ask you to encourage your friends to go to Bingo too.

### **Eucharistic Adoration each Friday**

'Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament' at the Fatima 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."*

### **Regarding Infant Baptism**

A minimum of One full month's notice is required before a Baptism can take place. This allows the Baptism team to make contact with families and to provide a Pre-Baptism Instruction. ***A booking over the phone is not enough*** – a Birth Cert must be provided, a form must be completed and a stipend of €50 must be provided - all at least one month before the baptism date.

### **Tea Dance at Hut on June 16<sup>th</sup> @ 2.30pm**

A special Tea-dance will take place on Father's Day, June 16<sup>th</sup> @ the Hut for parishioners. All are invited. We ask parishioners who may know people who are housebound to take them along to the event. You will be blessed for doing a good turn.