

The Offertory collection last weekend  
amounted to €840.00

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

**Second collection, (called Peter's  
Pence), will be taken up next  
weekend.**

**This collection is our gift to Pope  
Francis which allows him to respond  
to humanitarian crises  
around the world.**

*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  
IE65 AIBK 934194 32642064**

### **SUNDAY DUTY ROTA**

**June 16, 2019**

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. 15, June**

6pm. Cissie Horgan, RIP, (6<sup>th</sup> Anniv).

**Sun 16.**

9am. Michael & Ellen Long, RIP.

11.30am. Patrick & Mary Bradley, RIP (Anniv)

**Mon 17.**

8am. Special Intention

10am. Peter White, RIP

**Tue 18.**

8am. Novena Mass 5.

10am. John & Julia McGrath, RIP

**Wed 19.**

8am. Special Intention

10am. Paddy Galgey, RIP, (Birthday Anniv)

**Thu 20.**

8am. Novena Mass 6.

10am. Tracey Foley, RIP.

**Fri 21.**

8am. Special Intention.

10am. Sheila Kelleher's Intention.

**Sat 22.**

10am. *Pro Populo*

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

*Mary Hackett, Barret's Buildings.*

***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, 16, 2019. Most Holy Trinity (C)**

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

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

### **Feast of Holy Trinity – A Community of Persons**



The concept that there are three 'ever existing' distinct persons, Father, Son and Spirit, equal in nature, substance and essence that together makes up the Godhead we worship is truly a mind boggling concept – totally beyond the comprehension of our puny minds. How did we come to this truth? Certainly not by the normal ways of acquiring knowledge, i.e. the senses or the intellect - we come to it through 'divine revelation' alone. God has revealed

through his prophets and finally through his Son, Jesus Christ, something of his own being which is trinitarian. A community of persons inextricably bound together in some kind of magnetic field of unfathomable love. The inter-relatedness and inter-activity, (dynamic), between these three persons, generates into existence every created thing - and floods the world with life, love, beauty and freedom.

At life's end we will be drawn back into this 'magnetic field' of the Trinity from whence we came and be absorbed forever in the mystery that God is. There we will spend our eternity in love, communion and dialogue with God, our Creator.

That we can't understand the mystery of the Trinity should not disturb us. Someone once said that: "A God that would be small enough for us to understand would not be big enough for us to worship."

### **The Corpus Christi Procession – Next Sunday, 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.

### **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.

### **Na Piarsaigh Underage Academy Hurling & Football**

Na Piarsaigh Underage Academy have Hurling & Football sessions every Friday evenings @ 6.15pm for boys aged 5/6y. It is a great opportunity to meet new friends, have fun and maybe produce a future Cork All-Star.

### **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**

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 know of many who once loved the game of bingo but are now confined to their homes – be aware of these and; if you are able bring them to the bingo you will be providing a good community service to people living alone who may otherwise live lonely lives.

### **Mass at Old Church ruins at Lower Killeens**

The annual Mass celebrated at the old medieval ruins of the Church of St Catherine's, at Teampaill na gCillíní, will be celebrated this **Monday evening at 7.30pm**. The site at Lower Killeens, near Blackstone Bridge, which had been a place of worship since at least the 1100s was made accessible to the public by the 8<sup>th</sup> Cork Boy Scouts in 1970 – and Mass has been said there annually since. We invite parishioners to join neighbouring parishes for this Mass - and to maintain the sacred heritage of this special place.

### **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."*

### **Who can be a Godparent?**

The Code of Canon Law, (Canons 872 - 874), states clearly that only one Godparent is required for a child's baptism – this Godparent must be baptised; be over the age of sixteen and have received the Sacrament of Confirmation. (If two are chosen they must be both man and woman). The mother or father of the child is not permitted to act as role of Godparent. The role of Godparent is to assist the parent(s) in the training of the child in the ways of the Catholic faith. As the role of Godparent involves making a solemn promise to God that he/she will oversee the faith formation of the child it follows that the Godparent is himself/herself a believer - committed to the Catholic faith and bearing a proper aptitude and intention to assume this role. Catholic who are not living according to the doctrinal and moral teaching of the Church should not be asked to serve in this important role as Godparent. It just makes a mockery of the Sacrament of Baptism.

### **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.

**Next Pre-Baptism Instruction for Infants who will be baptised in July will take place in Parish Office on Thursday, 4<sup>th</sup> July, 2019 @ 7pm.**