

The Offertory collection last weekend
amounted to €860

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

**Special Collection for Ukraine last weekend
amounted to €2,500**

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

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

Or

**To our Local Credit Union
Gurrabraher Credit Union Account
Church of the Ascension Renovation Fund –
A/c No. 02255200.**



SUNDAY DUTY ROTA

10th April, 2022.

**A priest can be contacted urgently
this Sunday at
Gurrabraher 085 804 1951**



We pray for those recently deceased...

*Christy Aherne, late Templeacre Avenue
Denis Harrington, Churchfield Way
John (Dinny Bobs) McCarthy, Churchfield Pl. E.*

Requiescat in Pace



Mass Intentions this Week

Sat 9th April, (5.30pm)

- i) Sr Mary Deasy RIP
- ii) Christine O'Connor, RIP (Month's Mind)

Sun 10th, (9am)

- i) Finnbar Barry RIP
- ii) Mary & Joe Daly, RIP

Sun 10th, (11.30am)

- i) Martin, Sheila & Paddy Ryan RIP
- ii) May Buckley RIP (2nd Anniv)

Mon 11th, (10am).

- i) Liam & family's Intentions
- ii) Novena 3

Tue 12th, (10am)

- i) Michael & Ann Brett RIP
- ii) Special Intention
- iii) Patrick Ossai (50th birthday)

Wed 13th, (10am)

- i) Pat O'Gorman RIP (Birthday Remem)
- ii) Margaret O'Callaghan RIP (8th Anniv)

Thur 14th, (10am) Holy Thursday

No morning Mass
10am - Mass of Chrism at North Cathedral

Fri 15th, Good Friday

12noon – Stations of The Cross
3pm - Celebration of the Lord's Passion

Sat 16th, Holy Saturday

7pm - Triduum Mass 1



Ascension Parish

Gurrabraher, Cork.

Sunday, April 10th, 2022.

Passion Sunday, (C)

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Weekend Masses – Saturday 5.30pm (Vigil) & Sundays – 9am & 11.30am.

Passion (Palm) Sunday

Today, Palm Sunday, Christians enter the holiest week in the Church's calendar culminating with His resurrection on Easter Sunday morning. Palm Sunday marks the triumphal entry of Jesus Christ into Jerusalem, the week before his death and resurrection. The Bible reveals that when Jesus entered Jerusalem, the crowds greeted him by waving palm branches and covering his path with palm. Immediately following this great time of celebration in the ministry of Jesus, he begins his journey to the cross. No one who really calls himself/herself Christian should need reminding of the sacredness of this Season - and of their solemn duty to journey with the Lord over these days.

Good Friday Collection for Holy Places

The Archbishop who looks after the Eastern Churches has urged all Catholics around the world to contribute generously to the annual Good Friday collections, which supports the struggling Churches in the Holy Land and throughout the Middle East. Against enormous odds these Christians continue to bear witness to their faith in Christ Jesus. Cardinal Leonardo Sandri said that the funds donated on Good Friday help Christians who face "war, poverty, terrorism, violence, division." He remarked that the collection is one way to help assure the continued presence of Christianity in the Holy Land - and thus to form "a strong bond between all Christians across the world and the holy places." Please be generous to this collection.

Saint Vincent de Paul Monthly Church Door Collection this weekend

The regular monthly Church-door collection by Saint Vincent de Paul will be taken up this weekend, (10th April). Escalating costs are putting enormous strains on the poor. We are called to respond to the pleas of the hungry wherever they are.

Priests' Collection weekend of Sunday 17th April

The Church Offertory collections on Easter weekend go towards the up-keep and support of the priests of the parish. Gurrabraher is blessed to have two priest's resident in the parish. We ask for your support for our priests.

Let the light of God surprise and reawaken our hearts this Lent

Pope Francis has called on Christians everywhere to: "Let the light of God surprise and reawaken their hearts to love". "Let's give the Lord the chance to surprise us and to reawaken our hearts," he said. "We can do this, for instance, by opening the Gospel and letting ourselves marvel at the Word of God, because the Scripture enlightens our steps and enflames the heart. Or we can look at the crucified Jesus and wonder at the boundless love of God, who never tires of us and has the power to transfigure our days, to give them a new meaning, a new, unexpected light."

Easter Cards in stock!

Give your family, friends and loved ones the gift of sharing in a Novena of Masses celebrated in Church of the Ascension in the coming month. The cards cost €2 each/€5 for 3 are available in the Parish Office.

Irish Catholic Newspaper - €2.50.

At the request of a number of parishioners we now have on sale in our church, each weekend, the ***Irish Catholic Newspaper***. It is the only weekly newspaper that gives a Catholic slant on the news that is happening. We encourage our parishioners to support this newspaper.

Seraphic Mass Cards now €15 each.

A recent order for Seraphic Mass Cards, (padded PVC Covered Cards), shows that they have gone up 40% in price since the last order. This is due to the increase in the cost of materials to make them. It means that the Seraphic Cards, (that have remained €10 for many years) are now costing the sum of €15 each. We hope that our parishioners will continue to take them as they are a very beautiful gift to give at times of bereavement.

Easter Schedule at Gurrabraher

Holy Thursday – 7pm. Mass commemorating the Institution of the Eucharist.

Good Friday – 12noon – Stations of the Cross & 3pm Celebration of the Lord's Passion

Holy Saturday – 7pm – Vigil Mass of the Lord's Resurrection

Easter Sunday – 9am & 11.30am – Day Mass of the Lord's Resurrection.

Divine Mercy Sunday

Divine Mercy Sunday will be celebrated on 24th April 2022 in the Church of the Real Presence, Curraheen, Bishopstown, Cork. The day commences at 1.30pm and includes the Rosary, several Priests hearing confessions, the Divine Mercy Chaplet, the Stations of the Cross, and a talk by Fiona Kiely. Mass will be celebrated at 3.30pm.

Monster Easter Raffle

Our very generous and loyal supporters have organised an Easter Raffle in aid of Church of the Ascension. Tickets are 1 sheet for €2 and 3 sheets for €5 – available in the Parish Office. 1st prize is an Easter egg, 2nd an amazing hamper and there are also four smaller hampers to win.

Sponsored Walk in aid of Ascension Church Refurbishment Monday 18th

A sponsored walk has been organised in aid of the Ascension Church Building Fund. The sponsored walk will leave Ascension Church at 11am on Easter Monday, 18th April, and will follow a route ending in Blarney. Christy's Restaurant will be open where you can purchase a 'Cuppa' and a Scone. You can find your own way back to Gurrabraher. Cards available in the office..

Parochial Hall Bingo @ 8pm every Sunday

Bingo has resumed at the Parochial Hall each Sunday at 8pm. We encourage older parishioners to resume playing Bingo and meeting old friends again – enjoy the Craic.

Free Part-Time Courses @ Cork College of FET, Knocknaheeny

Cork College of FET Knocknaheeny Centre, Harbour View Road. Free Part-Time Courses. Open to all. We have a range of taster and accredited courses, including art, upholstery, sewing, computers, gardening to mention just a few. Call 086 1035343 or email for more information. laura.dwycanton@corketb.ie

The Mass of the Chrism celebrated in the Cathedral

Bishop Fintan invites parishioners to attend the **Mass of the Chrism at the Cathedral on Holy Thursday @ 10am**. The Chrism Mass is celebrated each Holy Thursday morning, when the Bishop of a diocese along with all his priests gather in his Cathedral church to fulfill two sacred duties, i) to consecrate and bless the three holy oils used in the Church's ministry throughout the year, and ii) to renew and rededicate themselves to the ministerial priesthood to which they have been called. The Holy Oil of Chrism is used for the celebration of the Sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation and Ordination; ii) the Oil of Catechumens is used for anointing those preparing for baptism and the Oil of the Sick is used to bring healing in the Sacrament of Anointing. These holy oils, flowing from the Body of Christ on the Cross, are channels of grace to eternal life - gateways to heaven. They are the sacred means by which the Holy Spirit, poured out afresh, heals, animates and strengthens God's people, for service and mission, bringing new life and energy to Christ's Church.

Tir gan Cultúir – Tir gan t-anam – “A country without a culture is a Country without a Soul”