

The Offertory collection last weekend
amounted to €960

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

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

26th June, 2022

A priest can be contacted urgently
this Sunday at
Farranree 087 096 7177



We pray for those recently deceased...

Kathleen Power, Harbour View Road

Requiescat in Pace



Mass Intentions this Week

Sat 25 June, (5:30pm)

- i) Dave McCarthy RIP (5th Anniv)
- ii) Finbarr O'Sullivan RIP (2nd Anniv)

Sun 26 June, (9am)

- i) Special Intention
- ii) Special Intention

Sun 26 June, (11.30am)

- i) Margaret Moynihan RIP (40th Anniv)
- ii) Jerry Murphy (Get Well)

Mon 27 June, (10am)

- i) Noel Twomey RIP
- ii) Mary Downey RIP (Anniv)
- iii) John Cahillan (Thanksgiving)

Tue 28 June, (10am)

- i) Special Intention
- ii) Special Intention

Wed 29 June, (10am)

- i) Bertie Walsh RIP
- ii) Michael O'Brien RIP (1st Anniv)
- iii) Novena 9

Thurs 30 June, (10am)

- i) Holy Souls
- ii) Special Intention

Fri 1st July, (10am)

- i) Joan Montgomery RIP (Birth Remb)
- ii) Finola's Intentions & Birthday Wishes (80)

Sat 2nd July, (10am)

- i) Pro Pop



Ascension Parish

Gurrabraher, Cork

Sunday, June 26th, 2022

13th Sunday, Ordinary Time, (C)

Parish Office – 021 - 430 3655 (If Urgent: 085 - 804 1951)

email: ascensionparish123@gmail.com

Website: www.gurrabraherparish.ie

Office Hours: 10:30 – 12:30 & 1pm – 5pm

Priests of the Parish:

Fr. Tomás Walsh, SMA. **021 - 430 3655.** (walshtomas@hotmail.com)

Fr. Aidan Vaughan, OFM, Cap. Tel: 021-439 7472. (aidan1302@gmail.com)

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

We Must See the Church as a Home

Pope Francis said recently that every Christian needs to cultivate a real sense of belonging in and to the Church; and spoke of three temptations into which people who call themselves Christians often fall: “uniform-ism”, “alternative-ism” and “exploitation-ism”. Such ‘isms’ prevents so called Christians from being joyful agents of God’s love in the world. The Holy Father said that there are many, who seem to have ‘one foot inside’ and ‘one foot outside’ the Church, [reserving their options]. Pope Francis said that such people as these do not really feel that the Church is their own. He said that there are some groups that, “rent the Church, but do not claim it as their home.” He identified three specific groups or kinds of Christians: he began with those, who would have everyone be equal in the Church, whom he called i) “uniformists”: *Those who demand uniformity or rigidity.* Such people do not have the freedom that the Holy Spirit gives. Christ never wanted His Church to be so rigid – never. Rigid people, because of their unbending attitude, do not enter the mind of the Church. They call themselves Christians, but their attitude prevents them from being fully committed Christians: ii) the second group are the “alternativists”. Those who always have their own ideas about things – *people who do not want to conform their minds to the mind of the Church.* “[They] enter the Church, but with this idea or with that ideology, and so their membership in the Church is partial. The Church is not their home. They rent the Church when it suits them but they do not feel at home there – they do not commit and belong: iii) The third is made of those, who call themselves Christians, but do not come from the heart of the Church. These are the “exploitationists” he said, “those who ‘seek the benefits’, and go to church, but for personal benefit or self-gain.

Pope Francis said that “The Lord,” tells us, “If you would enter the Church, do so out of love,” in order “to give all your heart and not to do business for profit.” The Church “is not a house to rent,” the Church “is a home to live in.”

Building Fund Collection this weekend

The end-of-month building fund collection will take place at all Masses this weekend. The debt for the replacement of the roof is still ongoing and now we have the additional expense of the replacement of our iconic cross and the recent damage to a section of the roof. We ask for your continued support for the renovation project.

St Vincent de Paul Monthly Church-door Collection next weekend` *****

The monthly Church-door collection taken up by St Vincent de Paul Society will take place next weekend. Covid-19 restrictions and the war in Ukraine has brought much devastation that is hugely affecting the poorer members of society. We ask you to be generous to this collection.

Chaplains and Pastoral Care Teams of Cork Hospitals meet at Diocesan Event

Hospital chaplains and members of pastoral care teams in the Diocese of Cork and Ross gathered recently with Bishop Fintan. This reflective gathering was facilitated by Br. Martin Kenneally. Participants were invited to reflect upon their ministry during Covid-19 and the value of hospital pastoral ministry as part of the wider diocesan mission. Bishop Fintan thanked the chaplains and members of pastoral teams for their very important ministry. "I was sick and you visited me" (Mt 25: 36) reminds us of the importance of spiritually accompanying those who are sick and suffering, and the consolation of faith for those who seek God's closeness during challenging and uncertain times.

Fr. Mathew Commemoration 2022

The Annual Commemoration in honour of Fr. Mathew will take place at St. Joseph's Cemetery, Tory Top Road, Ballyphehane on Tuesday 28th June at 7.30 p.m. This event is organised by Cork Regional Pioneer Council. We look forward to the attendance of the Lord Mayor. There will be refreshments afterwards in Togher Community Centre on Togher Road. Beidh fáilte roimh cách.

Holy Hour of Adoration

Each Thursday, parishioners gather from 7pm – 8pm to pray (mostly in silence) to the Lord for the needs of the world. During this Holy Hour we pray especially for vocations to the Priesthood and Religious life. We bring before the Lord the names of the sick and those in need of healing. We pray too for stable and happy marriages. Join with us in praying for the great needs of the world.

Regarding Infant Baptism

A minimum of One Month's notice is required for 'infant baptism'. A pre-baptism instruction is mandatory before parents can have their child baptized. Both parents will have to attend a Pre-Baptism instruction held at Gurrabraher Parish Office on the first Wednesday of each month.

Our Father as Gaelige

Ár n-Athair atá ar neamh, Go naofar d'ainim, Go dtagfadh do ríocht,
Go ndéantar do thoil ar an talamh mar a dhéantar ar neamh.
Ár n-arán laethúil tabhair dúinn inniu, agus maith dúinn ár bhfiacha,
mar a mhaithimidne dár bhféichiúna féin. Ach ná lig sinn i gcathú,
ach saor sinn ó olc Amen.

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.

Men Only Social Group

Cork Anti-Poverty Resource Network Clg. Presents A Few Good Men. Weekly meetings Sundays at 7pm, Education & Rights Resource Centre, 5 Churchfield Avenue, Churchfield, Cork T23 FP49 Tel 021 4307969

Meals on Wheels

Gurrabraher Meals on Wheels delivers 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 021 430 1037 or 021 44301071.

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.

Vigil to the Alliance of the Two Hearts Friday 1st July.

The First Friday Prayer Vigil to the Sacred Heart of Jesus and the Immaculate Heart of Mary will again take place at Ascension Church beginning at 7.30pm, on Friday, 1st July. The first Mass of the Vigil will take place at 8.30pm and the second Mass at 11.40pm on the night. The Vigil begins with Rosary and Divine Chaplet. This is a very beautiful devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus and the Immaculate Heart of Mary. We invite you to join us, at least for part of the night on that date.

Printer Ink Cartridges Wanted

We are looking for empty ink cartridges from HP and Canon Printers. These cartridges are recycled and the money obtained is used to purchase 'Tablets' and Laptops for children in schools. Drop them into the church or Parish Office.

Visit Ascension Parish Website – gurrabraherparish.ie

We invite parishioners to visit our website – gurrabraherparish.ie - regularly. As well as finding the latest news from the parish there are useful links to other sites. The weekly Newsletter is also available as is the Sunday readings.

PragerU Five Minute Videos

Prager University publishes 5-minute videos which attempts to condense in five minutes the core moral and philosophical issues of our time. Go to: www.prageru.com/video/are-religion-and-science-in-conflict-science-and-god

Mass Continues at Church of the Ascension

Daily Mass will continue to be celebrated at Church of the Ascension thanks to Fr. John Walsh (Church of the Resurrection) and Fr Greg Howard (St Mary's on the Hill).