

Building Fund Collection last weekend
amounted to €985

The Offertory collection last weekend
amounted to €1,200

*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

5th June, 2022.

***A priest can be contacted urgently
this Sunday at
Knocknaheeny 087 654 4836***



We pray for those recently deceased...

Requiescat in Pace

Mass Intentions this Week

Sat 4 June, (5:30pm)

- i) Michael & Ellen Long RIP
- ii) John Mullins RIP (7th Anniv)
- iii) Eileen Jones RIP

Sun 5 June, (9am)

- i) Mary O'Brien RIP
- ii) Special Intention

Sun 5 June, (11.30am)

- i) Bríd Houlihan RIP (1st Anniv)
- ii) Holy Souls

Mon 6 June, (10am)

- i) Special Intention
- ii) Special Intention

Tue 7 June, (10am)

- i) Mary Frances Murphy RIP (4th Anniv)
- ii) Bridie & Jerry Marah RIP
- iii) Novena 3

Wed 8 June, (10am)

- i) Paddy O'Brien RIP (12th Anniv)
- ii) Special Intention
- iii) Special Intention

Thurs 9 June, (10am)

- i) Brian Mullins (Get Well)
- ii) Novena 4

Fri 10 June, (10am)

- i) Stephen McAuliffe RIP
- ii) Aisling O'Callaghan RIP

Sat 11 June, (10am)

- i) Pro Pop



Ascension Parish

Gurrabraher, Cork

Sunday, June 5th, 2022

Pentecost Sunday, (C)

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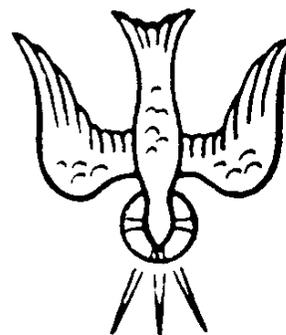
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Weekend Masses – Saturday 5.30pm (Vigil) & Sundays – 9am & 11.30am.

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.



St Vincent de Paul Monthly Church-door Collection

The monthly Church-door collection taken up by St Vincent de Paul Society will take place this 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.

Thanks to Eily Morris and Supporters

Yet again we thank Eily Morris and her band of supporters for raising the sum of Five Hundred Euro for Church Renovations. Eily and her supporters have been raising large sums of money for Church Renovations for many years. Well done to all who contribute. May they be blessed with health and peace.

Vigil for Feast of Sacred Heart – June 24, 2022.

A Vigil of Prayer to mark the Feast of the Sacred Heart of Jesus and the Immaculate Heart of Mary will take place on Friday 24th June beginning at 7.30pm at Ascension Parish, Gurrabraher. The Vigil organised by the 'Alliance of the Two Hearts' will follow the same programme as their monthly vigils - Adoration & Rosary @ 7:30pm, Sacred Heart Mass @ 8:30pm and Immaculate Heart of Mary Mass @ 11:40pm. Livestreamed on www.gurrabraherparish.ie/webcam We invite you to spend some time at this Vigil praying for world peace.

Youth Faith Gathering at UCC Is Hope-Filled

Young adults from all over the Diocese of Cork & Ross gathered in the Student Centre, UCC, on Sunday May 22nd to discuss the challenge of living their faith today. The event called 'CONNECT' brought together over a hundred representatives from parishes and youth groups within the diocese to share, reflect, celebrate and pray together. In a talk in the Honan Chapel, Bishop Fintan Gavin encouraged the young people to deepen their personal friendship with Christ, to build community with others and to have a special concern for those in need in our society. "The CONNECT event is a real sign of hope in these times," said Bishop Fintan "the Holy Spirit is powerfully at work in the lives of these young people."

Knock Shrine Scripture Summer School

A Scripture Summer School is being offered this June at Knock Shrine. In order to facilitate people from across the country and further afield, the Summer School will be offered online and in-person for those who are in a position to travel to Knock. The event, which begins on Thursday 16 June and concludes on Saturday 18 June, will be delivered by Mr Sean Goan and Fr Kieran O'Mahony OSA. The cost for the Summer School is €40. Booking is open now at www.knockshrine.ie/scripture-summer-school/ and those booking will need to select the option to either attend online or in-person at the time of booking.

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.

Church Front Gates Refurbished and Resplendent

The Church front gates 'in situ' since the opening of the Church in 1955 have finally returned to Gurrabraher refurbished and resplendent – thanks to a grant from the National Heritage Council and the work of master craftsman, Pat Ronan. These gates donated to Bishop Lucey in 1955 were later discovered to be of great artistic and historical value. The gates, fabricated by John Parry, one of Ireland's Master craftsmen in the early 1900s, were specially commissioned for the Carnegie Library built beside the City Hall; and officially opened in 1905. The Carnegie Library was burnt to the ground in 1920 when British Crown Forces deliberately set the city alight. These gates are probably the only remnants of the Carnegie Library that survived the inferno. The gates have been described as a 'national treasure' by noted blacksmiths and one of the few pieces of John Perry's superb work in Cork city. We are indebted to the zeal and determination of Mr Joe Murphy, a member of the Murphy Family group that did the steel fabrication for many of Cork's churches. Joe, with a keen eye for anything to do with metal, was instrumental in pushing for the restoration work to be undertaken; and then taking a direct part in seeing the project brought to completion. These gates, now restored, are a truly magnificent piece of work. We invite parishioners to cast a warm eye over this work and reflect that God's creation is also made manifest in the work of human hands.

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

Pope Francis has appealed for peace, entrusting his prayers to Our Lady.

"Spiritually kneeling before the Virgin, I entrust to her the ardent desire for peace of so many people, who in various parts of the world, suffer the senseless disaster of war". "To the Blessed Virgin", the Pope said, "I present in particular the sufferings and tears of the Ukrainian people... In the face of the madness of war, let us continue to pray the Rosary for peace every day." Pope Francis pleaded with all Christians to pray also for the leaders of nations: "That they may not lose their 'feel' for their people who want peace, and know well that weapons will never bring it." Asking believers to remember all the victims of the war – the dead, including "fallen soldiers on one side or the other", the wounded, homeless and refugees, the Pope said: "May the Lord send his spirit to make us understand that war is a defeat of humanity."

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.