

The Offertory collection last weekend  
amounted to: €810

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

18<sup>th</sup> September, 2022

A priest can be contacted urgently

this Sunday at

Farranree 087 096 7177



We pray for those recently deceased...

*Requiescat in Pace*



### Mass Intentions this Week

**Sat 17<sup>th</sup> Sept, (5:30pm)**

- i) Anne Baker RIP (1<sup>st</sup> Anniv)
- ii) Jerry O'Sullivan RIP (23<sup>rd</sup> Anniv)

**Sun 18<sup>th</sup> Sept, (9am)**

- i) Mary Coughlan's Intentions
- ii) Special Intention

**Sun 18<sup>th</sup> Sept, (11.30am)**

- i) Robert, Mary & Gertrude Skillington RIP
- ii) Paddy & Mary Corcoran RIP

**Mon 19<sup>th</sup> Sept, (10am)**

- i) Barry Montgomery RIP & family RIP
- ii) Special Intention

**Tue 20<sup>th</sup> Sept (10am)**

- i) Jim O'Brien RIP (Died recently)
- ii) Special Intention

**Wed 21<sup>st</sup> Sept (10am)**

- i) Katie Murphy (RIP)
- ii) Special Intention

**Thurs 22<sup>nd</sup> Sept, (10am)**

- i) Kevin Swaine RIP (Anniv)
- ii) Daniel Swaine RIP (Anniv)

**Fri 23<sup>rd</sup> Sept, (10am)**

- i) Mary Morrissey RIP (1<sup>st</sup> Anniv)
- ii) Special Intention

**Sat 24<sup>th</sup> Sept, (10am)**

- i) Pro Populo



## Ascension Parish

Gurrabraher, Cork

Sunday, September 18<sup>th</sup>, 2022

25<sup>th</sup> Sunday, Ordinary Time, (C)

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

email: [ascensionparish123@gmail.com](mailto:ascensionparish123@gmail.com)

Website: [www.gurrabraherparish.ie](http://www.gurrabraherparish.ie)

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

### Priests of the Parish:

Fr. Tomás Walsh, SMA. 089-6054771. (walshtomas@hotmail.com)

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

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

### Western Civilization in Terminal Decline

A book by David Daintree '*Soul of the West: Christianity and the Great Tradition*' published in 2015, makes a powerful case for the primary importance of Christianity in the complex structure that we call Western civilization. Daintree asserts that you can't begin to understand Western culture in isolation from the story of Jesus Christ and his Church. Those who claim they can are deluding themselves. It was Christianity, he boldly asserts, that shaped the European civilization.

The influence of Christianity on science, law, government, philosophy, literature, language and on our sense of mutual obligation has been quite literally immense. Today we are in the midst of a struggle sometimes known as the 'Culture War' where powerful elements in our society want to minimize or even extinguish the influence of Christianity in education and medicine and to downplay its role in history. European civilization is now in great peril not only from Islamic forces desiring to conquer Europe but also from atheistic forces whose conception of man is no more than a materialist being devoid of any supernatural purpose. The traditional culture and civilization of the West has never before been in such grave danger of being overwhelmed and cast aside. Equally imperiled is the Christian faith that has been its creative principle, its very soul. This book is unashamedly an apologia for the Great Christian Tradition that has defined the Europe we have known up to now. It is a powerful read by anyone who wants to understand how Europe is gradually losing its very soul.

### **Collection for the Education and formation of Priests this weekend**

A collection will be taken up this weekend for the education and on-going formation of priests for the diocese of Cork and Ross. To put a young man through a formation course that takes many years is very costly. The Diocese asks for your support.

### **Building Fund Collection next weekend**

The end-of-month building fund collection will take place at all Masses next weekend 24<sup>th</sup>/25<sup>th</sup> September. 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 attendant damage to a section of the roof. We ask for your continued support for the renovation project.

### **The Men for Christ Conference 2022**

A Catholic Conference for Men will be LIVE & EXCLUSIVE on Radio Maria Ireland Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> September from 2pm. Speakers for this year's Conference are Fr. Jamie Twohig SAC, John Pridmore, David Quinn and Fr. Marius O'Reilly. It is available to listen to on Saorview channel 210.

### **Legion of Mary – Cathedral/Gurrabraher/Blackpool Parishes**

Annual pilgrimage to Our Lady's shrine at Knock Co. Mayo on Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> Sept 2022 7:30am Ascension Church. Price per person is €55 with a deposit of €25 per person required to secure a seat. This fee covers bus, full breakfast and evening meal. For further details contact Bernard Spillane 086 164 8372.

### **Holy Hour of Adoration**

Each Thursday, parishioners gather from 7pm – 8pm to pray to the Lord for the great and urgent 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.

### **SMA Novena to St. Thérèse**

The SMA Novena in honour of St. Thérèse will begin on Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> of September at St. Joseph's SMA Church, Blackrock Road, Cork City and will finish on the feast of St. Thérèse on the 1<sup>st</sup> of October 2022. The Novena will be celebrated each evening at 7:30pm (except Sat. 24<sup>th</sup> @7pm).

### **Cork Autism Online Conference 2022 - Autism: Beyond.**

Sunday, October 23. Speakers include: Dr. Temple Grandin, Dr. Stephen Shore, Dr. Peter Vermeulen and other international speakers. Suitable for autistic people, parents, families, teachers, other professionals and anyone with an interest in autism. Learn more: [www.autismcork.ie](http://www.autismcork.ie)

### **Parochial Hall Bingo @ 8pm Every Sunday**

Bingo continues at Parochial Hall every Sunday at 8pm. Bingo has been a staple at Parochial Hall for decades and we thank those who continue to support us. Parochial Hall is wheelchair accessible via the side entrance. Have a great night out and perhaps win a few €€€€.

### **Cork City Joint Policing Committee Public Meeting**

Member of the public are welcome to attend on Friday 30<sup>th</sup> of Sept. @ 2pm in the Millennium Hall, City Hall. Questions and issues must be submitted in writing in advance of the meeting to Cork City Joint Policing Committee, c/o Community, Culture & Placemaking, Cork City Council, Floor 1, New Civic Building, City Hall, Cork or email [community@corkcity.ie](mailto:community@corkcity.ie) before 4pm on Mon 26<sup>th</sup> Sept.

### **QQI Level 5 and 6 courses at Tramore Road Campus**

Cork College of FET - Tramore Road Campus (formerly CSN) have vacancies for a number of our QQI Level 5 and 6 courses in art, sports, humanities, digital media, theatre, science, horticulture, furniture, carpentry, music, radio broadcasting, social studies, dance, journalism, coaching, soccer, and many more. Walk in interviews taking place every day or contact us on 021 4961020, [info@csn.ie](mailto:info@csn.ie) or [www.csn.ie](http://www.csn.ie)

### **Dominican Centre/St Mary's, Popes Quay Courses on Christianity on Zoom**

A Series of talks on our Christian faith will begin at Dominican Church, Pope's Quay, starting late September. Each talk, (one weekly for seven weeks) will touch on central themes of our Christian faith. Topics include: 1. Who is Jesus, 2. The Liturgy Explained, 3. Introduction to Christian Philosophy. The course will be on Zoom. You will be provided with an Internet link and a Password to enter the Zoom talks weekly. For more information – email [dominicanscork@gmail.com](mailto:dominicanscork@gmail.com) or call 085 746 4802 between 9am and 5pm.daily. Course costs €70.

### **Printer Ink Cartridges Wanted**

We are looking for empty ink cartridges from HP & Canon Printers. These cartridges are recycled and the money obtained is used to purchase 'Tablets' and Laptops for children in schools.

### **Staying Fit for the Future for Senior Citizens 26<sup>th</sup> Sept**

Staying Fit for the Future is an enjoyable, on your feet, weekly exercise programme for adults of all ages. The programme is suitable for individuals who walk independently (without a walking aid). Cork Sports Partnership have partnered with HSE PCC Physiotherapy Services Cork and HSE Health Promotion Cork to roll out this exciting programme on the week starting 26<sup>th</sup> September. It will run for 10 weeks in total at a cost of €60 per person for the full 10 weeks. More information here <https://www.corksports.ie/staying-fit-for-the-future/>

### **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.

**Mass Live each day at 10.am @ [www.gurrabraherparish.ie](http://www.gurrabraherparish.ie)**