

The Offertory collection last weekend
amounted to: €1,030

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

The Priests Education Collection
last weekend amounted to €660

*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

25th September, 2022

A priest can be contacted urgently

this Sunday at

Gurrabraher 085 804 1951



We pray for those recently deceased...

Pat Mason, (formerly) St. Colmcille Road,

Marie Keohane, St. Declan's Road,

Ann Cunningham, Churchfield Avenue,

Andrew Buckley, St Colmcille's Road

Requiescat in Pace



Mass Intentions this Week

Sat 24th Sept, (5:30pm)

- i) Helen Walsh RIP (1st Anniv)
- ii) Noel & Ann Corcoran RIP (Rem)

Sun 25th Sept, (9am)

- i) Ellen Cummins RIP (25th Anniv)
- ii) Bridget & John Walsh, RIP (Anniv)

Sun 25th Sept, (11.30am)

- i) Jimmy O'Rourke RIP (2nd Anniv)
- ii) Francis McCarthy RIP (Remb)

Mon 26th Sept, (10am)

- i) John Nicholas Barry RIP
- ii) Hannah Daly RIP (Anniv)
- iii) Mattie Daly (Birth Remb)

Tue 27th Sept (10am)

- i) Special Intention (Living)
- ii) Greg Cotter's Intentions, (Get Well)

Wed 28th Sept (10am)

- i) Noreen O'Leary RIP (1st Anniv)
- ii) Madge & Jerry Keane RIP

Thurs 29th Sept, (10am)

- i) Tom Flynn RIP (Died recently)
- ii) Special Intentions

Fri, 30th Sept.(10am)

- i) Mary Thompson RIP (1st Anniv)
- ii) Tadhg & Nora Manley, RIP (Anniv)

Sat 1st October, (10am)

- i) Pro Populo



Ascension Parish

Gurrabraher, Cork

Sunday, September 25th, 2022

26th 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. 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.

The Church is the sole Guardian and Disseminator of the True Revelation of God

In February, 2019, Englishman and aristocrat, Philip Trower, in his nineties, exited this world and journeyed home to God, his Creator. Trower, a distinguished writer and journalist, lived for a good deal of his life rejecting the idea that God exists. In 1953, at the age of 30 years, Trower found Jesus – and embraced the Catholic faith which he had long been fascinated by and regarded as intellectually more coherent and convincing than Anglicanism, the denomination he was brought up in. From the time of his conversion Trower wrote extensively on the truth of the Catholic faith. His enthusiasm and conviction would lead many more over the years along the same path to Rome. In an essay titled: 'How I became a Catholic' he says: "All converts become Catholic for the same reason...they come to realise that *the Church is what it claims to be: the sole authorised guardian and disseminator of the one true revelation of God to men through which they can know with certainty the purpose of their existence - and their final destiny.*"

Philip's detailed memory of the steps and phases of his spiritual journey reflects the truth that faith is a gradual process, both taught and caught in different ways that will bear fruit often years later. From a prosperous and distinguished legal family, he went to Eton and Oxford, absorbing the Anglican rituals of his time and class but also influenced by a devout and loving Catholic nanny, a French Catholic governess and other Catholic personalities he met in his youth.

Philip describes a low moment in his life at Oxford when, in personal turmoil, he spoke to a Professor he knew who, although not a Catholic, told him "You will never find love until you find it in the tabernacle." Recalling this incident years later Philip was amazed that at the time these words did not make a greater impression on him. May Philip Trower now live forever in God's eternal light.

Building Fund Collection this weekend

The end-of-month building fund collection will take place at all Masses this weekend 24th/25th 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.

St. Vincent de Paul 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.

Mater Dei Academy – open evening Thursday 29th Sept. @ 7.30pm

Mater Dei Academy is an independent Catholic second-level school for boys and girls in the classical tradition, located at Farranferris Education and Training Campus, Redemption Road. Every aspect of life at Mater Dei Academy is permeated with Christ who is the Way, the Truth and the Life. Small class sizes are ideal for students of all abilities and excellence is assessed to international standards with examinations playing only one part. Register to attend the open evening online at materdeiacademy.ie or by calling 021 202 1229.

Cork City Joint Policing Committee Public Meeting

Member of the public are welcome to attend on Friday 30th 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 before 4pm on Mon 26th Sept.

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.

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.

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

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 €€€€.

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 or call 085 746 4802 between 9am and 5pm.daily. Course costs €70.

Coastal Rosary for Faith & Life in Ireland

On Sunday, October 9th, the annual Coastal Rosary will take place at 2.30pm. Join thousands of people from around Ireland to pray the Rosary for Life and Faith at our coasts, grottos, rivers, churches, and other suitable places. Simply sign up a Rosary location at www.coastalrosaryireland.ie or text your location to 087 278 6552.

Marian Devotion Saturday 1st October

Our devotion to the Blessed Mother has a long legacy - over 10 centuries in Ireland. In these present challenging times, faithful commitment to Our Lady is as needed as ever. Please come along on the first Saturday of every month from 10 to 11:15am to be part of this devotion to Mary. Please check on Friday morning during office hours 10.30 – 12.30 before attending.

Staying Fit for the Future for Senior Citizens 26th 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 26th 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

