

The Offertory collection last weekend amounted to: €915

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

The World Youth Day collection last weekend amounted to: €755

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 934 194 32642064

or

To our Local Credit Union

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

SUNDAY DUTY ROTA

11th June, 2023.

A priest can be contacted urgently this Sunday at

Gurrabraher 085 804 1951

We pray for those recently deceased...

James White, Sprigg's Road

Requiescat in Pace

Ascension Church is open for private prayer from 9am until 3pm, Monday to Saturday.

Mass Intentions this Week

Sat 10th June, (5:30pm)

- i) Maria Cremin RIP (3rd Anniv)
- ii) Mary & Ted Dennehy RIP (Died recently)
- iii) Michael Price RIP (Months Mind) & Robert Price (son) (Anniv)

Sun 11th June, (9am)

- i) Holy Souls

Sun 11th June, (11.30am)

- i) Jim & Tom O'Rourke RIP
- ii) Sheila Leahy RIP

Mon 12th June, (10am)

- i) Linda Cotter RIP (3rd Anniv)
- ii) Finbarr O'Connell RIP

Tue 13th June, (10am)

- i) William & Eileen Healy RIP
- ii) Novena Mass 2

Wed 14th June, (10am)

- i) Clare Morrissey's Intentions
- ii) Special Intention

Thurs 15th June, (10am)

- i) Mary Greville RIP (Died recently)
- ii) Special Intention

Fri, 16th June, (10am)

- i) Intentions of Meldon Family
- ii) Holy Souls
- iii) Novena Mass 3

Sat 17th June, (10am)

- i) Pro Populo



Ascension Parish, Gurrabraher

(Part of the family of parishes incorporating Farranree/ Knocknaheeny/ Clogheen/ Kerry Pike)

Sunday, June 11th, 2023

Feast of Corpus Christi, (A)

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

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Office Hours: 10:30 – 12:30, Mon - Fri

Priests of the area:

Fr. Tomás Walsh, SMA. 021 4303 658 (walshtomas@hotmail.com)

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

Fr Seán O'Sullivan, resident at Farranree, (021 493 2230)

Fr Cian O'Sullivan, resident at Knocknaheeny, (021 439 2427)

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



Feast of Corpus Christi

The Feast of Corpus Christi is needed to remind us of this miraculous event where the bread and wine, at the moment of consecration in the Mass, is truly changed into the flesh and blood of Jesus Christ. It is an awesome truth that we today in 2023 can share in the flesh and blood of the Calvary sacrifice where Christ's death took away the sins of the world. Yet, how much indifference, apathy and profanity there is around the Eucharist. The casual way we approach the altar to receive – often in great sin – is a barometer of how we have grown away from the Catholic faith and communion with the Risen Lord. The Catholic Church insists that only those who are baptized into the Catholic faith, who truly believe that Jesus is present in the Eucharist and who are free from serious sins are permitted to receive this sacrament. Those who receive the Sacrament unworthily, St Paul reminds us, brings condemnation on themselves. This Feast of Corpus Christi with its extraordinary solemnity and visibility is a call to wake from our slumber and see what Jesus has given us in his Holy Eucharist. "Whenever worship is no longer done, wherever it is not a priority to pay honour to God, human realities can make no headway... Adoration is not a luxury but a necessity, because when people cease to adore God, they begin to worship themselves through exalting pleasure, power, and material goods. Failing to adore God, they begin to serve mammon (Mt 6:24) — and once they begin to serve mammon, they forget who they are. Without the Creator, the creature disappears..." (Pope Benedict XVI - 2008).

St Vincent de Paul Monthly Church-door Collection (10th & 11th June)

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.

Peter's Pence Collection (17th & 18th June)

This annual special collection enables the Holy Father to respond with emergency financial assistance to requests to aid the most needy throughout the world. This can include those who are suffering as a result of war, oppression and natural disasters.

Teampall na gCillíní - Open-air Mass

On Monday June 12th, at 7pm, a special open-air Mass will take place at the ancient ruins of a Monastic Abbey at Lower Killeens. Follow the signs from Blackstone Bridge along the way. We invite all parishioners to attend.

Mass at St. Michael's Cemetery, Blackrock

On Wednesday 28th June at 7.30 pm, family members, friends and neighbours of all those laid to rest in St. Michaels Cemetery are invited to attend Mass. Please bring your own chairs as seating will not be provided. In the event of bad weather Mass will be celebrated in Holy Cross Church. Extra Parking and toilet facilities in St. Michael's GAA grounds.

Novena to the Sacred Heart

At Sacred Heart Church, Western Road, Cork, from Thursday June 8th to Friday June 16th 2023. Daily 10am & 8pm - Thurs 8th June to Sun 11th June - Bro. Barry (Alexian Bro), Fr. Manus Ferry MSC - Monday 12th to Thurs 15th June, Frances Hogan Thurs 15th (3pm to 5pm), Fri 16th June.

Junior Cert and Leaving Cert Students

Exam Prayer: Lord, I know you are with me and love me. Give me peace of mind as I prepare for this time of study. Help me to focus on my books and notes. Keep me from all distractions so I will make the best use of this time that is available to me the best use of this time that is available to me. *We wish all students preparing for exams every success.*

New Mass Cards - 'Thinking of You' and 'Success in Exams' cards

We have a new Mass card available for occasions when perhaps, a Mass Bouquet or a Get Well Mass card isn't quite suitable for what we want to say. Or you just want to let someone know they are in your thoughts and prayers. The recipient will be included in a Novena of Masses. We wish to encourage more of our parishioners to use the Novena Mass Cards for different occasions. These cards are deeply appreciated by people.

Con's Shop – Donation to Ascension Church

We are once again humbled and grateful to all the staff at Con's Shop for the incredible sum of €963, raised for our Church. We especially thank Con's very generous patrons for their show of support for the Church through donating to the collection held. €963 will make a significant impact on our loans for the repair of the Church and we wish all involved health and peace.

Parochial Hall Bingo @ 8pm Every Sunday

Bingo continues at Parochial Hall every Sunday at 8pm. The Hall is wheelchair accessible via the side door. Have a great night out and perhaps win a few €€€€.

Holy Hour of Adoration every Thursday from 7pm – 8pm

The "Holy Hour" made in the presence of Jesus in the Most Blessed Sacrament is a devotion in which we call to mind the Life, Passion, Death and Resurrection of Our Lord. During this hour we seek, through prayer and meditation, the mercy of God, the conversion of souls, the sanctification of sinners and the mitigation of the terrible punishment foretold at Fatima in 1917.

FREE Concerts in Hollyhill Library

On Saturday 17th of June join Linda Kenny and Alf McCarthy, with David O'Sullivan on piano, for a sing along session to music from the 'olden days.'

Song Writing Course

Would you like to learn about song writing? The Rory Gallagher Music Library on Grand Parade will be hosting a series of five workshops that will be exploring the art of song writing and self-expression. The Classes will take place during each Saturday in July from 2.00 - 3.00 pm. To book your place, please email music_library@corkcity.ie or call at (021) 492 4907

Church Activities

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| Tuesday: | Legion of Mary meeting @ 8pm each Tuesday |
| Wednesday: | (First Wednesdays) Baptism Instruction @ 7pm |
| Thursday: | Holy Hour 7 – 8pm (Every Thursday) |
| Friday: | (First Fridays) Alliance of Two Hearts Vigil @ 7.30pm to Midnight. |
| Saturday: | (First Saturdays) – Marian Devotion 9.40am – 11.00am |
| Sunday: | Bingo (Parochial Hall) @ 8pm. |

Mass Live each day at 10.am @ www.gurrabraherparish.ie