

**The Offertory collection last weekend amounted to: €770**

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

**The Building Fund collection last weekend amounted to: €1,303**

*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**

**4<sup>th</sup> June, 2023.**

**A priest can be contacted urgently  
this Sunday at**

**Gurrabraher 085 804 1951**

***We pray for those recently deceased...***

**Denis O'Leary, Baker's Road**

***Requiescat in Pace***

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

### **Mass Intentions this Week**

**Sat 3<sup>rd</sup> June, (5:30pm)**

- i) Bernie Golden RIP (1<sup>st</sup> Anniv)
- ii) Special Intention

**Sun 4<sup>th</sup> June, (9am)**

- i) John O'Donoghue (Get Well)
- ii) Sean Linehan's Intentions

**Sun 4<sup>th</sup> June, (11.30am)**

- i) Jimmy McMullin RIP (USA) (Months Mind)
- ii) Lily Morrison RIP (1<sup>st</sup> Anniv)

**Mon 5<sup>th</sup> June, (10am)**

- i) Special Intention

**Tue 6<sup>th</sup> June, (10am)**

- i) Margaret Moynihan RIP (Birth Remb)
- ii) Michael, Paula & Dundon Family Intentions
- iii) Kitty Linehan & Eileen O'Donovan RIP

**Wed 7<sup>th</sup> June, (10am)**

- i) Mary Frances Murphy RIP (5<sup>th</sup> Anniv)
- ii) Julie & William Doyle RIP
- iii) Maggie & Jerry Leahy RIP

**Thurs 8<sup>th</sup> June, (10am)**

- i) Mary & Tom Kent RIP
- ii) Eileen & Richard O'Donovan RIP
- iii) Tom & Teddy Linehan RIP

**Fri, 9<sup>th</sup> June, (10am)**

- i) Special Intentions
- ii) Novena Mass 1

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

- i) Pro Populo



## **Ascension Parish, Gurrabraher**

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

**Sunday, June 4<sup>th</sup>, 2023**

**Holy Trinity Sunday, (A)**

**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, 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 Holy Trinity – A Community of Persons**

The concept that there are three 'ever existing' distinct persons, Father, Son and Spirit, equal in nature, substance and essence – (consubstantial) - that together makes up the Godhead who we worship is truly a mind-boggling concept – totally beyond the comprehension of our puny minds. How did we come to this truth? Certainly not by the normal ways of acquiring knowledge, i.e., the senses or the intellect - we come to it through 'divine revelation' alone. God has revealed through his prophets and finally through his Son, Jesus Christ, something of his own being which is Trinitarian.

A community of persons inextricably bound together in some kind of "magnetic field" of unfathomable love. The inter-relatedness and inter-activity, (dynamic), between these three persons, generates into existence every created thing - and floods the world with life, love, beauty and freedom. At life's end we will be drawn back into this 'magnetic field' of the Trinity from whence we came and be absorbed forever in the mystery that God is. There we will spend our eternity in love, communion and dialogue with Triune God, our Creator.

That we can't understand the mystery of the Trinity should not disturb us greatly. Someone once said that: "A God that would be small enough for us to understand would not be big enough for us to worship."

### **World Youth Event 2023 collection**

A special collection will take place this weekend (3<sup>rd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> June) to assist four young people who will represent Gurrabraher Parish at World Youth Day in Lisbon, Portugal in the early days of August, 2023. (4-6 million young people from all over the world will attend this event). Pope Francis will travel to Lisbon to spend some days with the young people. The purpose of the collection is to help alleviate the travel/accommodation costs for these young people.

### **St Vincent de Paul Monthly Church-door Collection (10<sup>th</sup> & 11<sup>th</sup> June)**

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.

### **Teampall na gCillíní - Open-air Mass**

On Monday June 12<sup>th</sup>, 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.

### **97<sup>th</sup> Eucharistic Procession – Feast of Corpus Christi, Sunday June 11<sup>th</sup>, 2023**

You are cordially invited to join the Cork and Ross Diocesan Community of Faith as we walk together in procession as one family of parishes. The procession will begin at the North Cathedral, Roman St., at 3pm, and conclude at Ss Peter and Paul's Church, Paul St., for a Homily and Benediction celebrated by Bishop Gavin. Please attend for all, or part, of this event.

### **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'**

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 at times of anniversaries of deaths, at times of sickness, at times of death itself, at birthdays, exams or just to say 'Thank You' to those who have been good to us.

### **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 10<sup>th</sup> at 2pm Anthony Cotter will be supported by St. Vincent's GAA Male Voice Choir; this event includes a free raffle and is sponsored by Gurrabraher Credit Union. On Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> 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.'

### **CONNECT Summer BBQ**

There will be a special CONNECT Summer BBQ on Thursday June 8<sup>th</sup> at 7pm in Mardyke House (T12 W8RP) for Young Adults (18-35 years). To register simply visit [www.corkandross.org](http://www.corkandross.org). Please do spread the word.

### **Gurrabraher Meals on Wheels**

Gurrabraher Meals on Wheels has been providing nutritious meal to older and vulnerable members of the parish for many decades. Should you know of someone (family member, friend, neighbour) who would benefit from this service – please contact Liz/Brid on 021 430 1037.

### **Church Activities**

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](http://www.gurrabraherparish.ie)**