

**The Offertory collection
last weekend amounted to:
€1,010.**

*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 A/c
Church of the Ascension
Renovation Fund – A/c No.
02255200*

SUNDAY DUTY ROTA

16th July, 2023.

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

Gurrabraher 085 804 1951

We pray for those recently deceased...

Tom O'Regan, Cathedral Road

Requiescat in Pace

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

Mass Intentions this Week

Sat 15th July, (5:30pm)

- i) Hannah Myers RIP (18th Anniv)
- ii) Dommie Myers RIP (28th Anniv)
- iii) Josephine Horgan RIP (Months Mind)

Sun 16th July, (9am)

- i) Fr. Tomás' Intentions
- ii) Mary Walsh RIP (Died recently)

Sun 16th July, (11.30am)

- i) Paul O'Leary RIP (1st Anniv)
- ii) Barry & Liam O'Riordan RIP

Mon 17th July, (10am)

- i) Noreen Lynch RIP (Died recently)
- ii) Novena Mass 5

Tue 18th July, (10am)

- i) Robert, Mary & Gertie Skillington RIP
- ii) Mary Coughlan RIP (Died recently)
- iii) Thanksgiving Mass

Wed 19th July, (10am)

- i) John O'Donovan RIP (6th Anniv)
- ii) Mary Walsh RIP (Died recently)
- iii) Mary Lyons RIP (Birth Remb)

Thurs 20th July, (10am)

- i) Frances White RIP (Anniv)
- ii) Novena Mass 6
- iii) Bill Coffey RIP (3rd Anniv)

Fri, 21st July, (10am)

- i) Nora Connolly RIP (Anniv)
- ii) Michael Sheehan RIP (9th Anniv)

Sat 22nd July, (10am)

- i) Pro Populo



Ascension Parish, Gurrabraher

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

Sunday, July 16th, 2023

15th Sunday in Ordinary Time, (A)

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

email:ascensionparish123@gmail.com Website: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.



St. Mary Magdalene, (Feast Day 22nd July).

St. Mary Magdalene is one of the greatest saints of the Bible - and a legendary example of God's mercy and grace. The precise dates of her birth and death are unknown, but we do know she accompanied Christ in his public ministry; she is at the cross with Mary at Jesus' last moment - and is the first witness to the resurrection. She is mentioned at least twelve times in the Gospels.

There is no evidence that Mary Magdalene is the woman of ill-repute whom Jesus saves from stoning. It is believed she was a Jewish woman who lived among Gentiles, living the pagan culture that they did - and who comes to faith following an encounter with Jesus Christ. And from that encounter she brings many to Jesus Christ. Mary is the first witness of the Resurrection of Jesus – she had come to the tomb in early morning to anoint his body only to find the stone rolled away and Christ, very much alive, sitting at the place they laid Him.

St. Mary Magdalene's feast day is July 22. She is the patroness of converts and repentant sinners. The Saints spend their Heaven doing good on earth. Pray to the Saints often - asking for their protection and intercession.

Diocesan Needs Collection (15th & 16th July)

This quarterly collection allows the Diocese to provide ongoing supports to parishes in many areas. It contributes to the day-to-day running costs of the Diocese including the cost of primary and secondary school religious advisory costs, safeguarding, data protection, mission and ministry and levies for costs in Maynooth. People continue to be very generous to these quarterly collections over the years and your support would be greatly appreciated this weekend.

Cork Deaf Association Church Gate Collection 22nd & 23rd July

The Cork Deaf Association is committed to the empowerment of Deaf and Hard of Hearing people in Cork city and county through the provision of information, advocacy and support services. They aim to achieve a more inclusive society, where Deaf and Hard of Hearing people enjoy equality of opportunity, independence and full citizenship. Though part-funded by the HSE, they rely heavily on public donations to provide this much needed service.

Irish Catholic Newspaper - €3.00.

At the request of parishioners, we have on sale in our church, each weekend, the Irish Catholic Newspaper. It is the only weekly newspaper that gives a Catholic slant on current news. We encourage our parishioners to support this newspaper. Please put the €3 into the Shrine Donation boxes.

Novena Mass Cards

We wish 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. We now have a 'Thinking of You' card which includes inclusion in a Novena of Masses.

Tea Dance Time at the Hut

On Sunday 23rd of July 2023 the Gurrabraher/Churchfield Community Afternoon Tea Dance will take place. The venue is Gurrabraher Churchfield Youth & Community Resource Centre (aka The Hut) from 3pm to 6pm. All are welcome to this free event and refreshments are provided. This social gathering is organised by local volunteers and part-funded by Cork City Partnership.

Mass for an end to Abortion – Wednesday @ 6.30pm

On this coming Wednesday, 19th July, at 6.30pm, a special Mass will be celebrated at our parish Church, by Fr Anthony Embratto, an Italian priest, for all involved in the abortion industry. Fr Embratto, a well know Pro-Life Campaigner and Exorcist is touring Ireland to raise a greater awareness among Christians of the evil and demonic nature of abortion. Mother Teresa said once: "The world will never know peace until we recognise the evil of abortion". We ask parishioners to please join Fr Ambratto, on Wednesday evening, to pray for a civilization of love where every life is loved and cherished.

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.

Community Employment Vacancies – Gurrabraher/Churchfield Area

There are two C.E. locations in the Gurrabraher/Churchfield area with a total of seven vacancies to be filled. These **Janitor/Caretaker** roles can be viewed on JobsIreland.ie (Ref: #CES-2289403 & Ref: #CES-2291144) along with eligibility rules – which will have to be verified by the DEASP. Email your CV to patricia.whelan@vincentsce.com.

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 who would benefit from this service – please contact Liz/Brid on 021 430 1037 from 9am-12pm Monday.

Bingo at Gurrabraher Credit Union Arena Parochial Hall

Bingo continues every Sunday from 8pm at Gurrabraher Credit Union Arena Parochial Hall. Competitive prizes are available including a 'must win' category. Bring friends and family to this great social event at your local amenity and support your local community.