

The Offertory collection last weekend amounted to: €1,300

This collection is for the ordinary day-to-day running of Ascension Church

Donations gratefully accepted at the Parish Office –or lodged directly into:

Ascension Church Building Fund A/c at any AIB Bank

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or

**To our Local Credit Union
Gurrabraher Credit Union
Account**

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

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

Requiescat in Pace

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

Mass Intentions this Week

Sat 11th November, (5:30pm)

- i) Rose Meehan RIP (Anniv)
- ii) Pat O’Gorman RIP (Anniv)
- iii) Christopher Wyse RIP (Month’s Mind)

Sun 12th November, (9am)

- i) Thanksgiving Mass
- ii) Sr Claire Morrissey RIP

Sun 12th November, (11.30am)

- i) Holy Souls
- ii) Chrissie Barrett RIP (1st Anniv)
- iii) Anne O’Leary & Eileen Jones & Donie O’Leary RIP (Anniv)

Mon 13th November, (10am)

- i) Maire O’Mahony RIP (2nd Anniv)
- ii) Mary’s Birthday Intentions
- iii) Isabella & John O’Connor

Tue 14th November, (10am)

- i) Mattie Daly RIP
- ii) Donie (Danny) Daly RIP

Wed 15th November, (10am)

- i) Sheila Sheehan’s Intentions
- ii) Fr Tomás Walsh’s Intentions

Thurs 16th November, (10am)

- i) Nellie, John & Edward Malone RIP
- ii) Kitty O’Connell RIP

Fri, 17th November, (10am)

- i) Eileen White RIP
- ii) John Spillane RIP
- iii) Dan Monahan RIP

Sat 18th November, (10am)

- i) Pro Populo



Ascension Parish, Gurrabraher

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

Sunday, November 12th, 2023

Thirty Second Sunday in Ordinary Time, (A)

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Office Hours: 10:30 – 12:30, 2.30 – 4 - Mon - Fri

Priests of the area:

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Fr. Aidan Vaughan, OFM, Cap. (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.



Pope Francis: Christian hope does not let sting of death poison your life

Christian hope and faith in the afterlife mean the sting of losing a loved one does not have to leave behind a poisonous venom in our lives, Pope Francis said. "Our loved ones have not disappeared into dark nothingness: Hope assures us that they are in God's good and strong hands. Love is stronger than death," he said at his general audience.

As part of a series of talks about the family and problems they face, the pope looked at death, particularly the loss of a close family member. When a loved one dies, especially a child or a parent of young children, "death is never able to appear as something natural," he said. For the people of God, death never has the last word, the pope said. However, it still takes an enormous amount of love to face "the darkness of death."

He asked that today's priests and all Christians find ways to better express what the faith means when facing the death of a loved one. People need to mourn, "you must never deny people the right to cry," he said. Christians must become "accomplices" of love, armed with the faith and able to help families navigate the "very difficult path of death as well as the sure path of the Lord, crucified and risen, with his irreversible promise of resurrection."

The Lord will reunite everyone once again, and it is this Christian hope and faith that will "protect us from a nihilistic view of death as well as false worldly consolation," myths or superstition, he said.

Marriage Care Collection (11th & 12th November)

This Marriage Care Collection this weekend is to help finance support programmes, in the diocese, for those whose marriages are in difficulty. We are asked to be generous

'Forever Loved, Forever Cherished' Remembrance Service

A special Service of Remembrance for families who have ever suffered the loss of a child during pregnancy or at birth will take place in the **Church of the Resurrection, Farranree, at 7.00 p.m. on Friday 24th November 2023.** Many families who lost a child in pregnancy or at birth down through the years never have had the opportunity to mark that loss or to pray for their precious child. Often the loss was never spoken of and parents carried their pain alone and in secret. This service seeks to honour the memory of these children, who are undoubtedly now with God, and to pray for comfort for those who have experienced the heartache of the loss of a child. All are welcome to be part of this special service.

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.

Devotions for the Holy Souls

This will take place on Thursday 16th November 2023 from 3pm to 9pm in St. Patrick's Church, Rochestown Road, Cork. Mass will be celebrated at 3.15pm & again at 8.30pm. There will be Adoration, confession, rosaries, & prayers for the Holy Souls. Tea & coffee break at 6.00pm. All very welcome.

Pioneer Pledge for the Month of the Holy Souls

A short-term pledge gives spiritual support and encouragement to people and their families who are living under a shadow of addiction. Further information from the Pioneers on 01 80-5 4226 or via www.pioneers.ie/pray

Fr Donagh OShea, O.P.

Talks and meditation in Sacred Heart Missionaries Church Hall, Sat. Nov 18th.
Registration 9.30. Start 10.am. Donation 10€.

Sincere Thanks to Eily Morris and Supporters

Thank you to Eily Morris and her supporters for once again raising the sum of *Five Hundred Euro* for Church Renovations. Eily and her supporters have been raising large sums of money in aid of the Church Renovations for many years and we are very grateful for their unwavering commitment. We thank all who contribute, may they be blessed with health and peace.

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.

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.

Totus Tuus Scripture Conference 2023 Is Live on Radio Maria Ireland on Saturday 18th November from 2pm

Speakers include Fr. John Ryan (Cloyne Diocese), Fr. Luke Demasi (Home of The Mother), Fr. John McEaney (Waterford & Lismore Diocese), Frances Hogan (Scripture Scholar). Radio Maria Ireland can be listened to by downloading the Radio Maria Ireland APP, Saorview Channel 210 or listen live at (01)4373277

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 12
Saturday:	(First Saturdays) – Marian Devotion 9.40am – 11.00am
Sunday:	Bingo (Parochial Hall) @ 8pm.

Daily Mass can be viewed @ www.gurrabraherparish.ie