

The Offertory collection last weekend  
amounted to €1,066.

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



The Building Funds Collection last  
weekend amounted to €1,022.



*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.*



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

*Charles McDonald, Orrery Road,  
Margaret Murphy, Bakers Road,  
John Coleman, St Mary's Avenue,*

*Requiescat in Pace*



## Mass Intentions this Week

**Sat 4<sup>th</sup> May, (5:30pm)**

- i). Sarah, (Elvie), Dunne, RIP
- ii). Lena Newman, RIP, (23<sup>rd</sup> Anniv)

**Sun 5<sup>th</sup> May, (9am)**

- i). Greg Cotter, (Get Well Intentions).
- ii) Special Intention

**Sun 5<sup>th</sup> May, (11.30am)**

- i). Shannaugh O'Riordan-Long, RIP
- ii) Special Intention.

**Mon 6<sup>th</sup> May, (10am)**

**Public Holiday**

**Tue 7<sup>th</sup> May, (10am)**

- i). Bridey & Paddy O'Neill, RIP
- ii). Charlie McDonnell, RIP

**Wed 8<sup>th</sup> May, (10am)**

- i). Special Intention
- ii) Special Intention

**Thurs 9<sup>th</sup> May, (10am)**

- i). Jeremiah Whelan, RIP, (20<sup>th</sup> Anniv)
- ii). May Bradley, RIP, (Birthday Rem)
- iii). John O'Brien, RIP, (Birthday Rem)

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

- i). Special Intention

**Sat 11<sup>th</sup> May, (10am)**

- i). Pro Populo



**Ascension Parish,  
Gurrabraher**  
**(Part of the family of parishes  
incorporating  
Farranree/ Knocknaheeny/  
Clogheen/ Kerry Pike)**  
**Sunday, May 5<sup>th</sup>, 2024**  
**Sixth Sunday of Easter, (C)**

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**Office Hours: 10:30 – 12:30 & 1pm – 5pm – Mon - Fri**

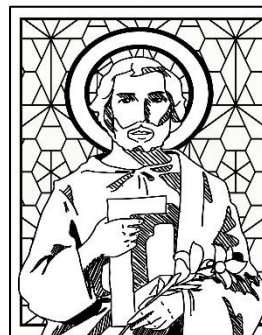
**Priests of the area:**

Fr. Tomás Walsh, SMA. PP ([walshthomas@hotmail.com](mailto:walshthomas@hotmail.com)) Tel: 021-4303 658.

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

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

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



## Feast of St. Joseph the Worker

In 1955, Pope Pius XII established the Feast of St. Joseph the Worker to counter the atheistic ideology of Communism. This feast, celebrated on May 1<sup>st</sup>, coincided with the Communist "May Day" celebration, which promoted anti-religious sentiments.

Pope Pius XII wanted to present St. Joseph as a model for all workers. Unlike the materialistic view of work promoted by Communism, St. Joseph's work had a spiritual

dimension. He worked as a carpenter to support Jesus and Mary, embodying the value and sanctity of labor.

St. Joseph the Worker is the patron saint of all workers, especially husband and fathers who provide for their families. This feast highlights the importance of work and its connection to our faith and family.

St. Joseph the Worker, pray for us!

### **The month of May - dedicated to the Blessed Virgin Mary.**

Mary has a unique and privileged place in salvation history and in the Church. Because she responded yes to becoming the mother of God, she is our first model of discipleship and our model of grace and trust in God.

Among Catholics, May is most well-known as "Mary's Month," a specific month of the year when special devotions are performed in honor of the Blessed Virgin Mary.

### **Parish Confirmations.**

We congratulate our young people who received the sacrament of confirmation on Wednesday last. 1<sup>st</sup> May, 2024.

We pray that God's Holy Spirit will guide and direct them throughout their lives.

### **Gurrabraher Bus Trip to Knock – Saturday, 1<sup>st</sup> June, 2024.**

A 55-Seater Bus has been booked again this year for our annual pilgrimage to Knock on Saturday, 1<sup>st</sup> June – to celebrate the Feast of Our Lady of the Rosary. The bus will leave the Church at 7.30am and return at 10.30pm.

***We ask those who are still owing to please settle the amount as soon as possible so that we can add names if some are not now travelling.***

### **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 are times of anniversaries of deaths, at times of sickness, at times of death itself, at birthdays, exams or just to say 'Thank you'.

### **Bingo at Gurrabraher Credit Union Arena Parochial Hall.**

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6	23	31	55	65
5	19	34	50	63
8	29	Free!	48	68
15	30	39	49	67
9	28	40	47	75

Bingo continues every Sunday from 8pm at 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.

### **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 €3.00 into the Shrine Donation boxes.

### **Calling Young People to a Deeper Knowledge of their Faith.**

We invite young people, who wish to have a more adult understanding of the faith to make contact with the priests of the parish. They will be directed to where they can, along with people of their own age, delve into the mystery - and encounter Jesus, the Risen Lord. Only some kind of encounter with Jesus will sustain us in the years ahead as Ireland turns its back on Christ and believes more and more that it is sufficient on its own.

### **Cork Choral Festival - Sacred Trail.**

We welcome to our parish this morning a Church Choir from Nuku, in Estonia. They are in the city for the Choral Festival. We are delighted to have them in our Church this morning.