

Mass Intentions this Week

The Offertory collection last weekend
amounted to €1,000.

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



*The 2nd Collection last weekend,
for Peter's Pence, amounted to €700.
We thank you for your generosity.*

*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.*



Sat 29th June, (5:30pm)

i). Finbar O'Sullivan, RIP, (4th Anniv)

Sun 30th June, (9am)

i). Paul Bolanonski, RIP, (Died in USA)
ii). Sr. Flo Lawlor, RIP, (Died Recently)

Sun 30th June, (11.30am)

i). Special Intentions

Mon 1st July, (10am)

i). Bertie Walsh, RIP
ii). Veronica McSweeney, RIP
iii). Alan O'Riordan, RIP

Tue 2nd July (10am)

i). Martin Collins, RIP, (6th Anniv)
ii). Daniel & Cecelia O'Brien
iii). Pauline & Family Intentions.

Wed 3rd July, (10am)

i). Danny Buckley, RIP, (7th Anniv)
ii). Jerry & Elizabeth O'Leary Intentions
iii). Helen Twomey, RIP

Thurs 4th July, (10am)

i). Nora Slaven, RIP, (44th Anniv)
ii). Paul McKenzie, RIP

Fri 5th July, (10am)

i). Mary Coughlan, RIP, (1st Anniv)
ii). Sean Hodder, RIP, (1st Anniv)

Sat 6th July, (10am)

i). Pro Populo



**Ascension Parish,
Gurrabraher**
(Part of the family of parishes
incorporating
Farranree/ Knocknaheeny/ Clogheen/
Kerry Pike)

**13th Sunday in Ordinary Time, (B)
Sunday, June 30th, 2024**

Priests of the area:

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Fr. Aidan Vaughan, OFM, Cap. (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)

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Office Hours: 10:30 – 12:30 Mon - Fri

Christianity – the only real Revolution in History

“A more attractive religion has never been presented to mankind. It offered itself without restriction to all individuals, classes and nations; it was not limited to one people, like Judaism, nor to the freemen of one state, like the official cults of Greece and Rome...To the maimed, bereaved, disheartened, and humiliated it brought the new virtue of compassion, and an ennobling dignity... It brightened lives with the hope of the coming Kingdom, and of endless happiness beyond the grave. To even the greatest sinners it promised forgiveness and their full acceptance into the community of the saved. To minds harassed with the insoluble problems of origin and destiny, evil and suffering, it brought a system of divinely revealed truths in which the simplest soul could find mental rest... Into the moral vacuum of a dying paganism, into the coldness of Stoicism and the corruption of Epicureanism, into a world sick of brutality, cruelty, oppression, and sexual chaos, into a pacified empire that seemed no longer to need the masculine virtues or the gods of war, it brought a new morality of brotherhood, kindness, decency, and peace.” These are the gifts Christianity still offers the world today.

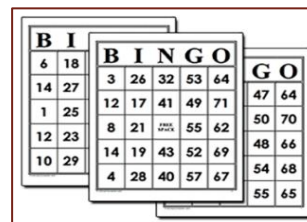
(See, “The Story of Civilization, Volume Three, Page 601, by historian William Durant”.

Building Fund collection this Weekend

The 2nd Collection taken up this weekend is for the Church Renovation Fund. As well as attempting to pay-off our Loan with AIB Bank we are also trying to fix the public address system in the Church and replace the carpets on the Sanctuary.

Let us accomplish all these for the greater glory of God.

Bingo at Gurrabraher Credit Union Arena Parochial Hall



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.

Revised Weekday Mass Schedule

- + Beginning on the 2nd September, 2024, we will introduce a revised schedule of weekday Masses for each of the churches in our family of parishes.
- + At present, there are 17 weekday Masses between the four Churches in Clogheen, Farranree, Gurrabraher and Knocknaheeny. Each morning there are at least three Masses to be celebrated. In addition, last year we celebrated more than 230 Funeral Masses in our family of parishes.
- + With less priests available now than in the past, and with our priests also having other diocesan commitments, despite our best efforts, we are not able to sustain this level of weekday Masses. Hence, the need to revise Mass days and times. The new arrangements will be announced shortly.
- + The new schedule will be fair to - and respectful of each of the four Churches in our family of parishes.

Cork Alzheimer Café a safe place for people with Alzheimer and other dementias, their carers, family and friends along with social and health professionals to meet.

Last Friday of each month 11 - 12.30 pm in St Finbarr's Hospital, Douglas Road. Light refreshments provided free of charge. All welcome.

Art Therapy Session with **Gillian Cussen from Crawford Art Gallery**

bettycogan@hotmail.com

<https://www.facebook.com/Cork-Alzheimer-Cafe-1364692>

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.

Friendly Call Volunteers Needed

If you can spare a couple of hours a week and would like to tackle loneliness and isolation, please contact Fiona/Jackie at friendlycall@partnershipcork.ie or call to their office in Parochial Hall, 114 Knockfree Avenue, Churchfield, Cork.

Gurrabraher Meals on Wheels

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

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 – 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.