The Offertory collection last weekend amounted to €706

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

The Building Fund Collection last weekend amounted to €838

Donations for Church Renovations gratefully accepted at the 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
Gurranabraher *Credit Union Account*
Church of the Ascension Renovation Fund – A/c No. 02255200.

We thank the people of the parish who support us tirelessly.

We pray for those recently deceased…

Teresa Forrest, Cathedral Road

Thomas Manning, Presentation Road

Requiescat in Pace

Pope Leo's Prayer Intention Oct 2026

This month, Pope Leo XIV invites us to pray "that believers in different religious traditions might work together to defend and promote peace, justice and human fraternity." At a time marked by conflicts, the Holy Father recalls that religions must be "bridges and prophecy," and not "weapons or walls."

Mass Intentions this Week

Sat, 3rd October, (5.30pm) Vigil Mass
i). Martin, Marie, John, & Paddy O'Mahony RIP
ii). Rose Deane (Birthday)
iii). Jeany Kelleher RIP (11th Anniv & Birth Remb)

Sun, 4th October, (9:00am)
i). David & Christine Cullinane RIP (Anniv)
ii). Sheila Ryan RIP (10th Anniv)
iii). Michael Butler RIP (60th Anniv)

Sun, 4th October, (11:30am)
i). Rebecca Dunphy RIP (4th Anniv)
ii). Pauline O'Riordan RIP

Mon, 5th October, (10am)
i). Rosarie Desmond RIP (Birth Remb)
ii).

Tue, 6th October, (10am)
i). Sr. Mary Clare Lonergan RIP (Died recently)
ii).

Thurs, 8th October, (10am)
i). Esther Barry RIP
ii). Fr. Romuald Barry RIP (8th Anniv)

Sat, 10th October, (10am)
Pro populo

Ascension Parish, Gurranabraher

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

27th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sunday, 4th October 2026

Priests of the area:
Fr. Tomás Walsh, SMA. PP (walshtomas@hotmail.com) Tel: 021-4303 658.
Fr. Aidan Vaughan, OFM, Cap. (aidan1302@gmail.com) Tel: 021-439 7472.
Fr. Sean O'Sullivan, resident at Farranree, (021 493 2230)
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www.gurranabraherparish.ie
OFFICE HOURS: 10:30 – 12:30 MON – FRI

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I believe in one God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible. I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the Only Begotten Son of God, born of the father before all ages. God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father; through him all things were made.

For us men and for our salvation he came down from heaven, and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary, and became man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate, he suffered death and was buried, and rose again on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures.

He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead and his kingdom will have no end.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets.

I believe in one, holy, Catholic and apostolic church. I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Diocesan Needs Collection (10th & 11th October)
This quarterly collection takes place **next** weekend and 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 personnel, utilities, professional fees, primary and secondary school religious advisory costs, safeguarding, data protection, mission and ministry and levies paid by the Diocese for national hierarchy costs in Maynooth. People continue to be very generous to these quarterly collections over the years and your support would be greatly appreciated in the upcoming collection.

St Vincent de Paul Monthly Church-door Collection
The monthly Church-door collection taken up by St Vincent de Paul Society will take place this weekend.

Mass Cards available for all occasions
Mass Cards are available at the Parish Office for all occasion, RIP, Exams, Get Well, Birthdays, Anniversaries, etc. – the intentions are included in Nine Masses (Novena) celebrated each month in the parish. Each card cost €3.

Irish Catholic Newspaper - €3.80.
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 €3.80 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.

Donate online
Many thanks to the people who use the Donate button on the parish website to support the parish funds. The support of people who give by direct debit is also appreciated. Account information is on the last page of the newsletter.

Sunday Bingo at Gurranabraher Credit Union/Parochial Hall Arena
Looking for a great night out with friends and family on Sundays? Join us every week at Parochial Hall for a brilliant evening of fun and a chance to win cash prizes! Doors open at 8pm, with a single book costing €7 and a double book €10. With a friendly crowd and proceeds helping to keep this vital facility running, it is the perfect way to support your local community while having fun. Strict age limit 18+. Held under Garda permit. See you there!

Community Garden Volunteering
Community Garden Volunteering in St. Marys Health Campus every Wednesday from 11 to 1pm. No experience necessary, all equipment will be provided. Contact Ailish, Community Health Worker on 087 097 9707.

Gurranabraher Meals on Wheels
Gurranabraher Meals on Wheels has been providing nutritious meals to members of the parish for many decades. Should you know of someone (or yourself) who would benefit from this service, contact Eliz/Brid on (021) 430 1037.

Dragon of Shandon Saturday 31 October 2026, at 7pm.
Route: Church St to Shandon St, North Main St, Castle St, finale at the Coal Quay Price: Free!! Organised by: Cork Community Art Link. More info: dragonofshandon.com

The Bereavement Support Line
The Bereavement Support Line, set up by Irish Hospice Foundation in partnership with the HSE, is a freephone service available mornings Monday to Friday. It provides a safe space for those who have lost a loved one, friend or colleague, to talk about their loss and grief. Tel 1800 80 70 77, Mon – Fri, 10am to 1pm.

Gurranabraher Website – gurranabraherparish.ie
We remind parishioners again that our parish has a live website - gurranabraherparish.ie. It will keep you informed and up-to-date on parish activities. Read also on the webpage the latest Parish Newsletter. and visit the links provided for sound Catholic faith formation.

Daily Mass Mon/Tues/Thurs at 10.am & weekend Masses Sat 10am & 5.30pm, (Vigil), Sunday 9am & 11.30am are available to view online
@ www.gurranabraherparish.ie