

Week of: 20th Sept— 27th Sept 2024

Saturday: 20th September

11.00am: Teresa Geoghegan (5th A)

Vigil Mass for Sunday

6.45pm: Adrienne Best (M.M.)

Patrick "Pat" Heavey (M.M.)

Peter & Helena McCormick (A)

Patrick Cunneen (A)

Sunday

8.30am: Cait & Joe Flanagan (A)

9.30am: Nancy McHale (M.M.)

11.30am: Eleanor Stewart (1st A)

Peggy Andrews (66th A)

Margaret Synnott (A)

Diarmuid Mac Mahon (6th A)

Monday 10am: Special Intention: Robert & Sarah

Tuesday 10am: Mary Smith (A)
Nancy McGough (B. Rem)

Wednesday 10am: No Intention

Thursday 10am: John McGough (B. Rem)

Friday 10am: No Intention

(1st A) First Anniversary

(M/M) Months Mind

(R.D.) Recently Deceased

(B. Rem) Birthday Remembrance

(I) Illness

RTE TV Mass

Next Tuesday September 24th, the Mass broadcast at 10.30am on the RTE News Channel will be from our Church. Please join in with us at home if you can.

'WHEN SOMEONE DIES'

Understanding Loss & Bereavement : A talk by Bryan Nolan in Divine Word Parish Centre Marley Grange D16T285

Bryan has worked for many years in the area of end-of-life and bereavement care October 1st 2024 7.30 – 8.30pm Light refreshments afterwards.

The Marley Grange Bethany Bereavement Support Group welcomes all.

Coffee Morning for Hospice

The Rathfarnham Women's Shed will be hosting a Coffee Morning in the Parish Hall on Thursday September 26th at 11.30am. There will be a bring and buy bake sale with all proceeds going to Our Lady's Hospice Harolds Cross.

We appreciate all of your support.



Rathfarnham & Ballyroan Historical Society Talk:

The Building of the Church of the Annunciation Rathfarnham.

Local historian Tony Corcoran will be giving a special talk at 7:30 p.m. on Wednesday, 16th October, in the Church of the Annunciation Parish Hall on Willbrook Road. This follows his **sold-out** event earlier this month at Ballyroan Library. The talk is free, but if you plan to attend, please contact Jason at the Parish Office to RSVP, as we would like to have an estimate of attendees for the night.

We look forward to seeing you there.

Though the world frequently tries to convince us that we are valued only for what we can produce, the #Gospel reminds us of the truth of life: we are loved by God.
@Pontifex September 20th 2024



Interfaith Harvest / Flower Festival



There will be an Interfaith Harvest / Flower Festival on October 13th at 3pm in our Church and the guest preacher on the day will be Canon Adrienne Galligan, Church of Ireland Rathfarnham. This special celebration will be open to people of all denominations and none. We are also hoping to have a combined group from local Churches to provide music on the day. We look forward to seeing you there.

Important Sacramental Dates for 2024/ 2025

Sacrament	First Communion	Confirmation
Loreto	24th May 11am	28th March 11am
St. Mary's	17th May 11am	4th April 11am

Parents of candidates please remember to fill in the online Sacramental application form before September 30th.

"Life After Loss"

Six Week Programme

A Gentle, Healing Programme for those who have lost a loved one will take place starting :

Monday 23rd September

In The Ruah Centre 7.30pm—9 pm

Please fill in form at the back of the Church in Ballyroan.

There is a Box provided.

If you have an other questions please ring : (087) 9341781 or Email ballyroanparish@gmail.com

Bethany Bereavement Support Group

Rathfarnham Bethany Group will hold a Bereavement Support meeting on Friday 27 September 2024, from 10.45 to 12.00 noon in the Parish Centre, Willbrook Road. If you are finding it difficult following the loss of a loved one, this meeting is a safe space to help you come to terms with your loss and share with others who are also on the grieving journey. You are not alone, we are here to listen and accompany you on the journey. Please do not hesitate to contact Rathfarnham Bethany at 087 2609323 for more information.

Church Gate Collection this weekend: St. Vincent De Paul



The Church gate collection this weekend is in aid of the Rathfarnham St. Vincent De Paul. Your very generous donations are both needed and greatly appreciated.



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Twenty Fifth Sunday of Ordinary Time, Cycle B, 22nd September 2024

Contact details:

Rathfarnham is one of six parishes in partnership together; the parishes are Ballyroan, Churchtown, Ballyboden, Knocklyon and Marley Grange.

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MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday Vigil 6:45pm

Sunday Morning: 8.30am (Irish Mass), 9.30am & 11.30am

Working Holy Days: Morning: 10:00am

Evening: 7:30pm Vigil: 7:30pm.

Weekdays: Monday to Friday 10:00am

Saturdays & Bank Holidays: 11:00am

Sacrament of Reconciliation: On Saturdays after 11am Mass & before the 6.45pm Mass

Baptisms: 1st and 3rd Saturday of the Month.

NOW TAKING BAPTISM BOOKINGS FOR DECEMBER 2024 ONWARDS

Gospel Reflection:

In today's Gospel, we hear Jesus again predict his passion, death, and Resurrection to his disciples. The setting here is important. Jesus and his disciples are preparing to journey through Galilee, a Jewish territory in which Jesus has already encountered problems with the Pharisees. Perhaps this is why Mark indicates that Jesus was trying to journey in secret. In predicting his passion, Jesus is acknowledging the danger they will face and is trying to preparing his disciples for it. Yet Mark tells us that the disciples did not understand what Jesus was saying and were afraid to ask what he meant. Such hesitation on the part of the disciples is not characteristic behaviour. Peter had no fear about rebuking Jesus in last week's Gospel. Perhaps this is an indication that the disciples were aware that a new situation was emerging.

Mark paints a vivid picture in today's Gospel. Having arrived at Capernaum, Jesus and his disciples enter a house. In this private place, Jesus asks his disciples about the argument they had while they were journeying. Again, the disciples are uncharacteristically silent and afraid to answer. They have been found out. Jesus then summons the Twelve, whom Mark identified earlier in his Gospel as those chosen by Jesus to preach and to drive out demons. To this select group of disciples, Jesus teaches that those who would be first in God's kingdom must be servants of all.

Jesus then calls forward a child and teaches the Twelve that to receive a child in Jesus' name is to receive both Jesus and the One who sent him. We might easily fail to understand the significance of this action. In first-century Palestine, children were without status or power, possessing no legal rights. In this action, Jesus is teaching his disciples and us that when we serve the least ones among us, we serve Jesus himself. Who are the people without power or status in our society that Jesus is calling us to serve? Do we do so willingly? Jesus teaches that God's judgment of us will be based on this criterion alone.

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