

Week of: 7th Sept— 13th Sept 2024

Saturday: 7th September

11.00am: No Intention

Vigil Mass for Sunday

6.45pm: Eileen & Paddy Berry (A)
Betty McKiernan (3rd A)

Sunday

8.30am: No Intention

9.30am: Brendan Quinn (1st A)

Con P. Buckley (A)

Shelia Buckley (A)

Sean Rooney (20th A)

Syl Pidgeon (7th A)

11.30am: Elizabeth "Eily" Kiernan (1st A)

Ellen Griffin (A)

Pat Ryan (2nd A)

Margaret Synnott (A)

Gabriel Synnott (A)

Brendan Synnott (A)

Teresa McCarthy (11th A)

Monday 10am: No Intention

Tuesday 10am: No Intention

Wednesday 10am: No Intention

Thursday 10am: No Intention

Friday 10am: No Intention

(1st A) First Anniversary

(M/M) Months Mind

(R.D.) Recently Deceased

(B. Rem) Birthday Remembrance

(I) Illness

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Mass Intentions

Community Friendship

Would you or someone you know welcome a regular visit from a member of the Community Friendship Group?

Or

Would you like to volunteer as a visitor?

We are a voluntary group, we visit people in the area who are housebound or living alone.

Every visit is confidential.

For more information please contact Rathfarnham Parish Office on 01-4958695

An initiative of the Church of the Annunciation Rathfarnham



Note from our Sacramental Coordinator.

Hello. I hope you all had a restful summer. As schools have returned and activities in the parish start to return, I would like to welcome the new boys in St Mary's and the new girls' in Loreto. A special word of welcome to Ms Mairead Byrne, new principal in Loreto. I look forward to working with her and staff in both schools this year and of course with Mr O'Riordan. I welcome all the boys and girls into their First Holy Communion and Confirmation classes and I am looking forward to meeting you all soon. May this year be an enjoyable and memorable year as we journey together. Many thanks Carol

Let us #PrayTogether for the conflict in Palestine and Israel. May there be peace in the Holy Land; may there be peace in Jerusalem! May the Holy City be a place of encounter where Christians, Jews, and Muslims feel respected and welcomed.
@Pontifex September 1st 2024



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Crosscare Annual Appeal.

Next weekend, **September 14th and 15th**, Crosscare is holding its Annual Appeal for Homeless Prevention Services.

This replaces the Share collection at all Masses.

Crosscare seeks your support to prevent more people from losing their homes as the housing and accommodation crisis continues. The number of people in emergency accommodation in Dublin is now well over 9,000; sadly, this includes almost 3,000 children.

As well as providing residential homeless services, Crosscare is working with hundreds of families and individuals who are at risk of losing their existing accommodation.

Please support the Crosscare collection this weekend if you can or you can donate online at www.crosscare.ie additionally there are special Crosscare envelopes at the back of the church.

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Join Our Parish Choir - Sing Out As One

We would LOVE to see new members, especially now as we get going again after the summer break. If you would like to join our mixed voice choir for 11.30am mass each Sunday and for special feast days, just come and chat to Fiona, the choir director, after mass today. No formal vocal training is necessary, just the ability to hold a tune. We rehearse every Thursday evening 8-9.15pm in the Parish Centre and would love to see you there! Music adds so much to the liturgy and choirs are an integral part of our parish tradition, so why not join us this year!

COME JOIN IN!



Rathfarnham & Ballyroan Historical Society Talk:

The Building of the Church of the Annunciation Rathfarnham.

A very special talk will be given at 6.30pm on Tuesday 17th of September by local historian Tony Corcoran in Ballyroan Library. The talk is **free** to attend but you must book your ticket on www.eventbrite.ie

**Tickets are available to book now.
We look forward to seeing you there.**



The Annunciation Times

Church of the Annunciation, Rathfarnham

www.rathfarnhamparish.ie

Twenty Third Sunday of Ordinary Time, Cycle B, 8th September 2024

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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:

Today we continue to hear the Gospel of Mark proclaimed. In today's reading, Jesus heals a man who was deaf and had a speech impediment. This is a story about Jesus' healing power, and in it we find clues about our understanding of sacrament. We are struck by the physical means used to heal the man, the use of spittle and touch. The Church continues to celebrate the sacraments using physical means. In the Sacrament of Baptism, water and oil are used to show the power of the Holy Spirit. In the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick, we are anointed with holy oil on the forehead and the hands. In the Eucharist, bread and wine become the Body and Blood of Christ. We are a sacramental people who believe that God's grace is given to us through these physical signs.

Some, however, see in this Gospel an image of the proclamation of the good news of Jesus to the Gentiles. The geographic references tell us that Jesus is journeying through Gentile territory. Jesus had previously visited this region and healed a person possessed by a demon. Jesus was already famous there, which explains why people brought the deaf man to him. The story that precedes this reading in Mark's Gospel sets the stage. Jesus encounters a Gentile, a Syrophenician woman who asks him to heal her demon-possessed daughter. Jesus engages her in a dialogue about not feeding to dogs the food intended for children. Jesus is struck by the woman's great faith when she replies that even dogs eat the food that falls from the table, and he heals her daughter immediately. The faith of this Greek woman compels Jesus to respond to her plea.

Mark shows that Jesus' own mission affirms the early Church's mission to the Gentiles. This was a significant issue to the early Christian community, which found that the good news of Jesus took root and spread quickly among the Gentiles. Yet there is an irony in the story of healing that Mark tells. Jesus gives the man the gift of speech, but then tells him not to use it. Jesus asks that the news of his healing power, which is evidence of his identity as the Messiah, not be spread. This is a recurring motif in Mark's Gospel and is sometimes called the "messianic secret."

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