

Week of 31st October — 6th November 2022

Monday 11am: Henry O'Reilly (A)
Tuesday 10am: Colette Clancy (A)
Evening Mass 7.30pm : No Intention

Wednesday 10am: Funeral
Thursday 10am: No Intention
Friday 10am: No Intention

Saturday:
11.00am: No Intention
(Vigil Mass for Sunday)

6.45pm: No Intention
Sunday :

8.30am: Catherine Hoban (A)
Patrick Hoban (A)
Sheila Hoban (A)
Pauline Hoban (A)
Laurance Hoban (A)

9.30am: Lorna Brett (A)
William & Mary Shiels (A)

10.45am: No Intention
12.00pm: Thomas Paul O'Reilly (A)
Mary O'Reilly (A)

(A) Anniversary (1st A) First Anniversary
(M/M) ~ Months Mind (R.D.) Recently Deceased
(B. Rem) ~ Birthday Remembrance
(I) Illness



Mass Intentions

Our Parish: Renew, Refresh & Relaunch

The Parish Pastoral Council is inviting all parishioners (church going and non-church going) to a Parish Renewal Weekend on the 5th & 6th November when we will have a Marquee in the Church grounds where all are welcome to join the parish team and their fellow parishioners for a 'catch-up' over tea / coffee and cakes after each mass and **RENEW** the sense of community our Parish has always celebrated.

While many parishioners have returned to our various sacraments and celebrations there are those who, for a variety of reasons, have been reluctant to participate in person and we are actively seeking to encourage as many as possible to celebrate with us.

The weekend is also an opportunity to mark the start of the journey we began as a Parish with our **Building Hope Gathering** earlier this year where many parishioners spoke of the importance of feelings of belonging, of having a voice, of inclusiveness and of acknowledging that everyone has something of value to contribute.

We are also looking to **REFRESH** our various Parish Ministries. We have over 30 Ministries, some of which will be very familiar to most, others less so, but all offer the opportunity to become involved in the life of the parish. Perhaps a 'chat' may lead to an unexpected journey over the coming months.

We are also hoping to **RELAUNCH** the spirit of our **Building Hope** initiative where many people expressed a desire to have better representation within our Church structures, particularly in leadership roles, and the process to establish the next Parish Pastoral Council will reflect that aspiration and be another step in this journey.

Another key theme from **Building Hope** was the recognition that the youth within our Parish should have their voices heard and should feel like valued members of the Parish Community. To that end we are hoping to take forward a Youth Ministry and are keen to hear from anyone who would like to get involved. There are no set criteria for volunteering, except genuine enthusiasm, a positive outlook and ideally those with a Tik Tok or Instagram profile!

Wishing you all the best and hope to see you next weekend on the 5th and 6th.

#Women must be entrusted with greater positions and responsibilities. Many calamitous decisions might have been avoided, had woman been directly involved in decision-making! We are committed to ensuring women are increasingly respected, acknowledged and involved! @iamcaritas



@Pontifex October 27th 2022

Special Mass of Remembrance 2022

This Mass will take place on **Friday November 11th at 7.30pm in the Church not the 5th of November as some were told.** The Mass is for those who have lost a loved one in the past 12 months.

R.A.R.A.

The next meeting of Rathfarnham Active Retired takes place on Tuesday 1st of November at 11am in the Parish Centre, Willbrook Road. Hope to see you all there. New Members are very welcome.

All Saints Day Mass Times

All Saints Day will be observed with Mass at 10am and 7.30pm in the evening on November 1st. Please join with us.

ALL SAINTS DAY
NOVEMBER 1ST



Church Car Park

As part of our relaunch of the Parish on the 5/6th November a marquee will be erected at the side of the church. **As a result the gates to the church will be locked from Thursday night 3rd to the morning of Monday 7th November.** The side gate will remain locked and there will be no parking at the side of the church for this time. The main gate will be opened in time for Mass each day and the parking at the front of the church will not be affected. Access to the sacristy will be around the left hand side of the church by the Grotto.

Parking will still be available in the Parish Centre Car Park on Willbrook Road.

Wishing you all the best and hope to see you next weekend



RTE TV Mass

Next Sunday November 6th our 9.30am Mass will be recorded and broadcast on the RTE News Channel at 2.15pm. The Mass will be celebrated by Fr. Martin Cosgrove.

Please tune in and join with us for this special Mass.

RTE News

Don't forget, clocks go back this weekend!



The Annunciation Times

Church of the Annunciation, Rathfarnham

www.rathfarnhamparish.ie

Thirty First Sunday in Ordinary Time, Cycle C 30th October 2022



Contact details:

Rathfarnham is one of three parishes grouped together; our sister parishes are Ballyroan and Churchtown.

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MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday Vigil 6:45pm

Sunday Morning: 8.30am (Irish Mass), 9.30am, 10.45am & 12pm

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: Can be arranged via the Sacristan.

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

NOW TAKING BAPTISM BOOKINGS FOR JANUARY & FEBRUARY 2023

Gospel Reflection:

In Jesus' day, tax collectors were not popular people. They were collaborators with the Romans and were despised by many Jewish people. The tax system allowed them to charge more than what was required so that they could make a profit for themselves. Thus, they were considered sinners by their countrymen. Observers in the crowd that day grumble because Jesus dines with a sinner. Throughout Scripture, Jesus' choice of dinner companions set him apart from other observant Jews of his time. In first century Jewish culture, to dine together was to show a bond of fellowship and peace among those at the table. Observant Jews did not generally dine with foreigners and sinners. Yet, Jesus chooses to honour the tax collector, Zacchaeus, by staying at his house.

Even before Jesus comes to his home, Zacchaeus shows himself to be someone in search of salvation. Zacchaeus, described as short in stature, climbs a tree in order to see Jesus. We know from Luke's description that Zacchaeus was no ordinary tax collector; he was, in fact, the chief tax collector and a person of some wealth. In his search for salvation, he humbled himself by making a spectacle of himself by climbing a tree.

Jesus recognizes the faith of this tax collector exhibited in his search for salvation and calls him down from the tree. In the hospitality he extends to Jesus and in his conversion of heart, Zacchaeus is raised up by Jesus as a model of salvation.

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