



The Annunciation Times

Church of the Annunciation, Rathfarnham

www.rathfarnhamparish.ie

23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time 5th September 2021

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MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday Vigil 6:45pm

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

Working Holy Days:

Vigil: 7:30pm. Morning: 10:00am

Evening: 7:30pm

Weekdays: Monday to Friday 10:00am

Saturdays & Bank Holidays: 11:00am

Sacrament of Reconciliation:

Postponed until further notice

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

NOW TAKING BAPTISM BOOKINGS FOR 2022.



The Deep End: 'Ephphatha'

This Sunday is the First Sunday of the Season of Creation, a global ecumenical season which runs from 1 September until the Feast of St Francis of Assisi, 4 October. All Christians are invited to embrace this season in prayer, especially in our liturgies, in deep reflection, in living more sustainably and in raising our voices in the public sphere. We are invited to think more deeply about what is happening at present to the earth, the environmental destruction which now threatens our world and the call to 'eco-conversion'. The theme for this year's Season is 'Restoring Our Common Home'. It offers all of us a unique opportunity to renew our vocation to care more deeply God's creation.

In today's Gospel Jesus heals a man who was deaf and who had a speech impediment. Jesus says to him, 'Ephphatha,' which means Be Opened. Immediately this man was healed. There are many issues in our world to which we might be deaf or are 'closed' to, sometimes because they overwhelm us. The environmental crises are an example. Pope Francis invites us in Laudato Si', his letter on the environment, to really hear and listen to the earth, which is crying out to us, to the scientific community who are sounding the alarm bells, to young people who are deeply concerned. Ephphatha! May we be open to hearing these cries, to praying for our world and to take action where we can. We begin with the small actions and encourage others to do the same. Ephphatha! Let us all be open to this call to care more deeply and 'Restore Our Common Home'.

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Mass Intentions

Week of 6th September — 12th September 2021

Monday 10am : No Intention

Tuesday 10am : Roma O'Connell (1st A)

Wednesday 10am: No Intention

Thursday 10am: No Intention

Friday 10am: Mary Manning (10th A)

Saturday:

11am: Breda O'Shea (R/D)

Alice Woods (M.M) and

Bill Woods (65th A)

Vigil Mass for Sunday:

6.45pm: Peter & Helena McCormick (A)

John Doyle (2nd A)

Ellen Griffin (A)

Sunday :

8.30am: Tom & Alice Reilly (A)

9.30am: Daniel Don Clifford (25th A)

Sean Rooney (17th A)

10.45am: Breda O'Shea (R/D)

Syl Pidgeon (4th A)

Tereasa McCarthy (8th A)

John & Mary McNally (A)

Marie Boyle (13th A)

(A) Anniversary

(1st A) First Anniversary

(M/M) ~ Months Mind

(R.D.) Recently Deceased

(B. Rem) ~ Birthday Remembrance

(I) Illness

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Covid-19 Restrictions: UPDATE

Under the new Government guidelines the Church can return to 50% capacity for regular Mass from tomorrow, Monday the 6th of September. This is great news indeed but we ask that you continue to wear a mask or face covering at this time.

Hidden Heritage of Rathfarnham Guided Walk

Tuesday 14th September 7pm SHARP!

Join local historian and member of the Rathfarnham Historical Society, Tony Duffy, for the 8th in his series of heritage walks under the theme "Touched by Faith, Surrounded by History." You're sure to learn something new about Rathfarnham on this walk, which starts at the Church of the Annunciation and ends at the Pearse Museum entrance on the Grange Road. **Booking at ballyroanlibrary.eventbrite.ie**

To reduce the risk of infection, please bring this Newsletter / Missalette home with you.

In the beginning there was God's Love. Everything that is alive, beautiful, good and true is from God who is love. Just as human life comes from the heart and womb of a mother, and Jesus came from the heart and the womb of a Mother, Love became flesh. @Pontifex 2nd September 2021



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Crosscare Annual Collection 2021

The Annual Collection for Crosscare, the social support agency of the Archdiocese of Dublin will be taken up at all Masses in the Diocese on the weekend of 18th and 19th September 2021. It will replace the usual Share collection.

Through their services for Homeless, Youth, Migrants and Refugees, Crosscare focuses on helping people and families when they need it most or when they can't find support anywhere else.

In their Community Foodbanks and Cafes, they provide food parcels and nutritious meals every day.

Demand for their services continues to increase as the pandemic has impacted the most vulnerable in our parishes and communities.

Please give generously in the second collection at all Masses on 18th and 19th September or on line at www.crosscare.ie

Archbishop Farrell's Pastoral Letter:

The Cry of the Earth—The Cry of the Poor

At this time every person on our planet is confronted with two interconnected crises: the coronavirus pandemic and the ecological crisis. Both define our age. Both require urgent action. But it is the reality of climate change that is 'humanity's defining challenge.' Over the coming decades, the havoc of the pandemic will pale when compared to that of climate change.

To respond to the climate crisis, and to mark the Season of Creation—which began on September 1st and continues until the Feast of Saint Francis of Assisi on October 4th—Archbishop Farrell has published a pastoral letter, The Cry of the Earth—The Cry of the Poor: the Climate Catastrophe—Creation's Urgent Call for Change. This pastoral is an invitation to all people—those in the Church and those beyond—to reflect on the climate crisis in new ways, so that the baptised may live the life of faith more vibrantly, and everyone may respond more actively to the serious situation in which the world finds itself. The pastoral letter is available online on the Dublin Diocese website, as well as in hardcopy from Veritas.