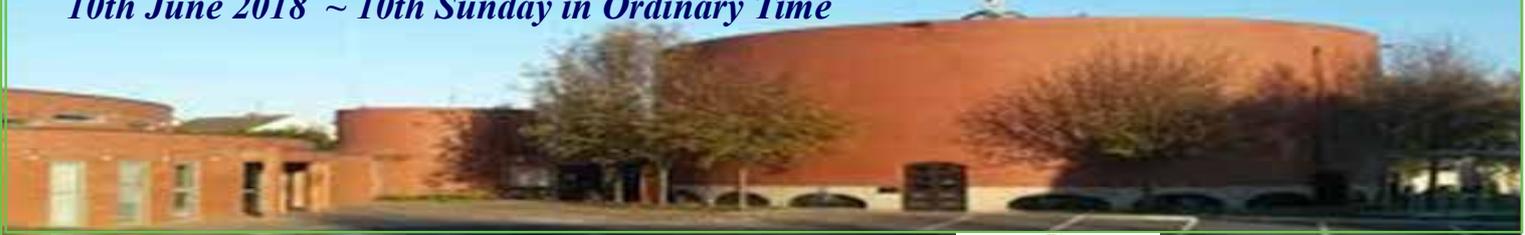


Church of the Ascension of the Lord

10th June 2018 ~ 10th Sunday in Ordinary Time



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Mass Times & Intentions:

Sunday 10th June:

10.00am: Mass Pro Populo

11.30am: Michael Noonan / Niall Coughlan (2nd Anniversary.)

12.45pm: John Slattery (5th Anniversary)

Monday 11th—Saturday 15th June 10.00am

Monday: John Whelan

Tuesday : Bertha O’Kane / John Crowley / Special Intention

Wednesday: Tony (Jimmy) Roche / Bridget & Daniel Kenny

Thursday: Morning Prayer of the Church

Friday: Michael & Bryde Condren

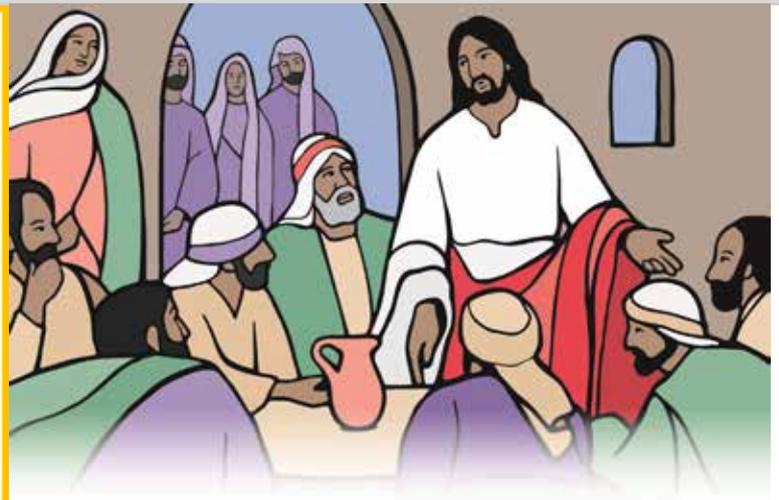
Saturday: Special Intention

Sunday 10th June:

10.00am: Sean & Mary Dillion

11.30am: Marie Lane (months mind) MarieDaughton

12.45pm: Kevin O’Malley (4th Anniversary)



10th Sunday in Ordinary Time

He said to them in reply, “Who are my mother and my brothers?” And looking around at those seated in the circle he said, “Here are my mother and my brothers.

For whoever does the will of God is my brother and sister and mother.” - Mk 3:33-35

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THE DEEP END

‘He has gone out of his mind’

In the gospel today we hear that Jesus made a visit home. Word about this radical teacher had gotten around and the religious leaders are not happy. In an effort to protect their son and brother, Jesus’ family try to restrain him in order to protect him. The people who have gathered try to dismiss Jesus’ teachings saying that he has ‘gone out of his mind’. The religious leaders even go so far as to say that he is possessed by a demon! Perhaps their way of explaining away someone that they could not cope with. Who in our society today is explained away? Who do we wish would stop speaking out because it makes us uncomfortable? Who do we know who is speaking the truth and yet is dismissed by those in authority? Who tries to silence others? One of the criticisms of Christians today is that we are not Christ-like or we are no longer challenged by the gospel message. Sometimes it is easier to ‘keep your head down’. But Jesus knows that in order to bring change, to work for God’s kingdom of love and justice and peace, this involves sticking your head above the parapet, whether that be in our communities, our families or in our church.

‘I began to wonder if anyone still believed Jesus meant those things he said. I thought if we just stopped and asked “what if he really meant it?” it could turn the world upside down. It is a shame Christians have become so normal.’

Shane Claiborne, *The Irresistible Revolution*

Jane Mellett, [mellettj@gmail.com](mailto:melletjt@gmail.com)

Other Church Services:

Holy Day Masses: Vigil 7.30pm; 10.00am, 1.10pm

Confessions: Saturday after 10.00am Mass

Baptisms: Second Sunday of the month 1.30pm
straight after the 12.45pm Mass

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The Rosary: is recited every morning at 9.40am
before 10:00 am Mass. All Welcome.

Lay-led Evening prayer is held every
Thursday at 7.30pm in the church.
All Welcome

St Mary's Sandford, Mass times:

Saturdays: Vigil 6.00 p.m.

Sundays: 9:00 a.m., 11:00a.m., 6:00p.m. (Youth Mass)

Mondays to Fridays: 10:00am.

(Tue & Thurs: 7.15 am Lent Only)

Fullness of redemption

“Jesus said:

“Anyone who does the will of God, that person is my brother and sister and mother.” We so often associate the will of God with things that go wrong. If someone dies, or has a bad accident, or there is a break-up in a marriage etc we try to console ourselves or others by saying that it is the will of God, as if God causes these tragedies. The will of God is always about what is best for us, like at the time of a death or illness that we would take care of one another so that these traumas would not destroy us. God's will is for a husband and wife to grow in their love and affection every day; for parents to love their children by giving them their time and attention; for us to take care of the poor in our community; to support those who are broken and to rejoice with those who are celebrating. Then we are Christ's brother and sister and mother. What a privilege we have!

Johnny Doherty, CSs.R.

A new European Data Protection law, the General Data Protection Regulation (“GDPR”), introduced on 25 May 2018. This new law applies to any organisation, including our parish that manages and processes people's personal information. We are now working on ways of ensuring that what we do with your information is compliant with this new law. **It is a work in progress and over the next few months we will keep you informed through the parish website and in the newsletter as policies are put in place.** If you have any questions about this please do not hesitate to contact the parish office. Parish team and staff are being trained and already several steps have been taken to implement the regulations here in Balally parish

Get Well to all our parishioners
who are sick, at home or in hospital,
we wish you a speedy recovery

This Week -Corpus Christi This Sunday was the feast of Corpus Christi. At the Family Mass many of the First Communion children participated wearing their Communion outfits, they read the prayers of the faithful and presented the sheep they had received in



November as a reminder of two of the titles that Christ holds: The Lamb of God and the Good Shepherd. The DTIM* team were present making sure that everything went well. 3 new Eucharistic ministers were instituted at the 11.30 Mass. They will help to distribute Holy Communion at Mass and be available to bring the Eucharist to the sick. It is one of the oldest and most meaningful ministries in the Church and we congratulate all our ministers on this feast of the Body and Blood of Christ. People signed up in droves for the Balally World Meeting of Families in Glendalough on 23rd of June. All we need is the weather... The PPC (Parish Pastoral Council) had the monthly meeting. After a report of activities read by the Parish Priest important elements of Parish life were discussed: Child Protection updates, the future of Mass schedules in the Parish and ideas around the World Meeting of Families. One of the items at these meetings is the “Suggestion Box” whereby ideas, criticisms, suggestions made by parishioners are read, debated and noted and possible actions are proposed.

Thoughts for the good weather: “Being Irish, he had an abiding sense of tragedy, which sustained him through temporary periods of joy.”

Attributed to W.B. Yeats

World Meeting of Families

**Come join us on our
Parish Trip to
Glendalough**

Saturday 23rd June

**Our Bus leaves Church
car park at 10.30am
We bring our own picnic &
something to share**

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We will have a wonderful experience together in the unique ambience of Glendalough

People can choose either of these two tracks:

1. - 5km walk
or
- 2.- Relaxing activities with our creative team
Lunchtime (Remember your Picnic!)
Followed by:

“Singing for the Centuries”

Sing-song and poems in the Monastic Site.

Bus leaves Glendalough at 5pm for return to Balally.

Register your name today to secure your place!



A morning on **Christian Mindfulness Meditation** will be led by Jo Newman on Saturday 16th June in the Upper Room, Balally Church from 10.30 until about 2pm. All are welcome. Voluntary Donation of 10E to cover expenses. The next **Mindfulness Meditation** will take place on Monday 18th June from 7.30 to 8.30 pm. Further details from the Parish office or at 087 4178926.



400 CLUB -

Next Draw 24th June

Subscriptions will be taken up next Sunday 17th after all Masses
Did you ever think of joining?
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The Parish BINGO is held every Friday at 8.30pm in the Pastoral Centre. **All welcome**



Naomh Olaf GAA Club

Naomh Olaf Annual Mini All-Irelands were a huge success. 385 boys and girls born from 2006 to 2010 enjoyed their hurling, football and camogie in beautiful summer weather. Eoin Ó Riain and Eddie Bouabbsie had put extraordinary work into organising the event. Well done to all involved in what was a massive club effort. Special thanks to SuperValu Balally, for their very generous support. A Barbeque was in operation each of the three evenings sponsored by Carroll and Kinsella, Blackrock. The Barbeque equipment was provided by Michael Fleming. All of the 385 participants were winners and David Byrne presented them with their medals. The Dublin minor hurlers recorded a very important win against Wexford recently. The three Naomh Olaf representatives Finn Murphy, Donal Leavy and Cíaran Foley had great games. Finn Murphy in defence, Donal Leavy (Captain) at mid-field scored 4 points and Cíaran Foley a half-forward scored 2 points. Dublin's under 20 football team has had wins against Longford and Westmeath. Tom Keane scored 1-1 against Longford and 0-1 against Westmeath. Sympathy is extended to the Kyne family Balally Avenue, and also to the Kyne - Delaney family Balally Park, on the death of Michael Kyne. Ar dheis Dé go raibh a anam uasal. There was no winner of the Lotto Jackpot. The numbers drawn were 5, 14, and 23. This week's Jackpot is €2600.

Invitation!

“Walking Together as Families Today”: Gathering in Preparation for the World Meeting of Families. St Patrick's College, Maynooth, 19-20 June 2018. and facilitator); “Real Families, Real Issues, Real Responses”. Further info: contact Aoife at specialevents@spcm.ie **Be part of it!**



Brendan Smyth keeping the “Tree of Hope” garden in Beautiful shape with new plants and tender loving care.



Prayer for World Meeting of Families 2018

God, our Father,
We are brothers and sisters in Jesus your Son,
One family, in the Spirit of your love.
Bless us with the joy of love.
Make us patient and kind,
gentle and generous,
welcoming to those in need.
Help us to live your forgiveness and peace.
Protect all families with your loving care,
Especially those for whom we now pray:

(We pause and remember family members and others by name)

Increase our faith,
Strengthen our hope,
Keep us safe in your love,
Make us always grateful for the gift of life that we share.
This we ask, through Christ our Lord, **Amen**

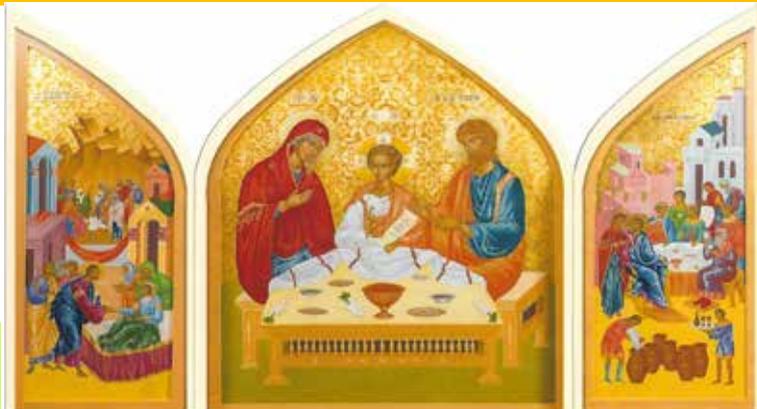
*Mary, mother and guide, pray for us.
Saint Joseph, father and protector, pray for us.
Saints Joachim and Anne, pray for us.
Saints Louis and Zélie Martin, pray for us.*



Registration & Tickets for WMOF 2018:

Visit the [Tickets Section](#) on www.worldmeeting2018.ie to access information on the different type of tickets and registration available.

[Accommodation](#) booking is also available at time of registration through the booking form on the website



We will soon be taking bookings for the bus to the Pope's Mass in the Phoenix Park - Watch this space

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is on sale at all the usual outlets this weekend.

Focal Scoir

‘Ṣo na gA Ríocht Dé. Sé sin aS tabhairt cúl le peaca aSús tús áilte aS zrásta Dé inár zcraíche ionas so sriochimio ríocht na bhPáisteachas ar an saol eile.’

Teagasc Criostaí An tAthair Peadar Ó Laoghaire 1912

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