

CHURCH OF THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD BALALLY PARISH

19th July 2026

Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Parish Office Open Hours:

Monday to Friday

9.30am 12.30

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Mass Times & Intentions:

Saturday 18h July (NO MASS)

Sunday 19th July 10.00am Mass

Ina Doyle (Months Mind)/ Tony Kelly (Months Mind)/

Tony Somerville (3rd Anny)/ Pat & Marie Irwin (70th Anny)/

Marie Barnes/ Dymphna Davis/ Fred O' Brien

Monday 20th July 10.00am Mass

Richard Hendrick/ Barry Moloney/ Ina Doyle/ Tony Kelly/

Raymond Madden/ Michael Fleming/ Special Intention (Get well)

Special Intention (Success for operation)

Wednesday 22nd July 10.00am

Communion Service

Friday 24th 10.00am

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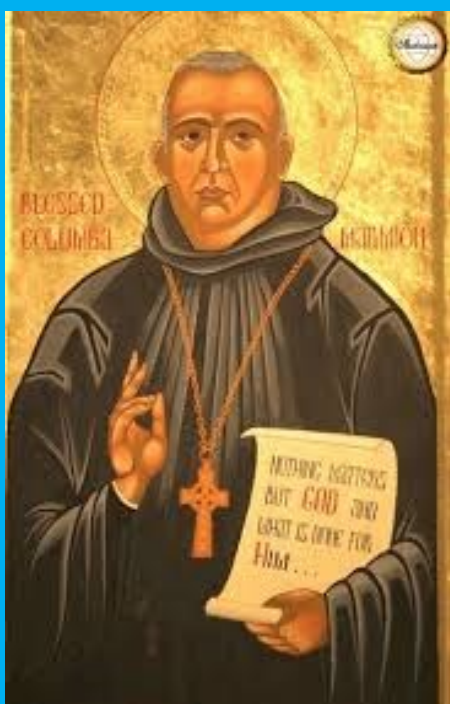


Parish Partnership name

The diocese recently asked each partnership to decide on a name.

The Parish Pastoral Councils in our partnership parishes of Balally, Ballinteer, Dundrum and Meadowbrook agreed on the name

Columba Marmion Partnership.



Reflection by Fr Laurence Freeman

These early disciples, the twelve, were not perfect people. They made many mistakes. Often we see in the gospels that Jesus gets impatient with them because they don't understand what he's saying. They argue among themselves about who is going to be greatest and they bicker and they fail to understand the real depth of his teaching and they abandon him at the end. Peter, the biggest failure, denies him three times. So why do we look to these disciples as the model of our discipleship?

They don't seem to be very good disciples, but he was faithful to them. There was this connection and once this connection is made he is faithful to it and even if we are unfaithful he remains faithful to us. That's the great strength of Christian discipleship you don't have to be perfect you just have to be faithful and to know that he is faithful to us.

Sympathy

We extend our heartfelt sympathy
to the family and friends of

Michael Fleming: Balally Grove

May he rest in the peace of Christ



COLLECTION

Thank you for your very generous
response to last weekend collections

1st Collection € 5552nd Collection €490 (Sunday only)



Balally Parish 400 Club

If you would like to subscribe

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The monthly collection for the
Society of St Vincent DePaul

Will take place this weekend



A Special Collection to send sick
Pilgrims to Lourdes

(Dublin Diocese Pilgrimage to Lourdes)

A Word from Fr Jim

This is the prayer I wrote at the tomb of Pope Francis last week in Rome to celebrate my 45th anniversary of my ordination. Most of the words come from Pope Francis.

Lord,

As I celebrate 45 years, help me in the time I have left.
Forgive my faults, my clericalism and arrogance of the past.
Bless the people of Balally who I am privileged to serve and lead.

Help me to be a true contemplative, to know how to be still and active, to meditate and to serve.

Help me in the words of Pope Francis...

- To be a good Shepard
- To know the smell of the sheep.
- To welcome all (Tutti Tutti)
- To help build a parish which is a field hospital.
- To keep on going
- To overcome the sin of.
- To reach out to the existential peripheries (especially the young and old).
- To say who am I to judge.
- Not to be afraid to make a mess.
- To never tire of forgiving and asking for forgiveness.
- To Invite everyone to a renewed personal encounter with Jesus Christ.
- And never forget the poor.

Dear Pope Francis, pray for me . Pray for the people of Balally
In your own words, don't forget to pray for me. Amen

With my Love & Blessing: Fr Jim

