

CHURCH OF THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD BALALLY PARISH

8th June 2025

Pentecost Sunday

**PENTECOST
SUNDAY**
ACTS 1:8

Parish Office Open Hours:

Monday to Friday

9.30am 12.30

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Mass Times & Intentions:

Saturday 7th June 6.00pm Mass

Carol Fitzpatrick (15th Annv)/ Dave Quinn/

Beth O' Connor (2nd Annv)

Sunday 8th June 10.00am Mass

Catherine Ryan (10th Annv)/ Carol Fitzpatrick (15th Annv)/

Patrick Fay (59th Annv)

& Special Intention (Birthday Remembrance for Eileen McEntee

Denise Hunter/

Monday 9th June 10.00am Mass

Mary Torpey/ Larry Smith/

Special Intention (Get well for Marie O' Sullivan)

Wednesday 11th June 10.00am Mass

Margaret Irons/ Mamie Marley/

Special intention (For PJ O' Callaghan)

Friday 13th June 10.00am Mass

Patrick & Pauline Candon/ Marie Murphy/ Larry Smith



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

How do we understand the problems of egoism? All these hindrances, all these faults can even get into our spiritual life. But if we look at Jesus, what we see, I think, is a man who certainly had an ego, who could say "I" and who had a will, who could give up his ego and his will at the end of his life: "not as I will but as you will". So we see a man who had an ego and clearly a strong ego, but a man who did not sin, because he never identified himself with his ego. He never said, "I am my ego." That was the great temptation that he went through in the desert, to identify himself with the tendencies of egoism. He was tempted. The ego clearly manifested its tendencies in him, but he never identified his real self with the ego. We who have sinned have the work of detaching ourselves from that identification, breaking that identification, simply waking up, in other words, to the fact that we have an ego and it is a useful thing as long as it is there, but it is not who I am. The ego is not my true and deepest identity.

COLLECTIONS

Thank you for your very generous response to last Sundays collections
1st Collection €1020 2nd Collection € 605



St Olaf's Ladies Club

Friday 13th June in St Olaf's School at 3.30pm
"Aerobics"



Balally Parish 400 Club

If you would like to Subscribe
Please contact the Parish Office 012954296



The next Alzheimer Café takes place Wednesday 11th June 7pm - 9pm

In Balally Parish Pastoral Centre.
Tea & a Talk. Free to all who are living with dementia or caring for them.



Topic: Legal Matters and Dementia

Speaker: Dermot Sherlock, Alzheimer Society of Ireland

Naomh Olaf Club Notes

We would like to correct the date that was given in last Sundays Newsletter (1st June) for the Naomh Olaf GAA Mass as being celebrated on Sunday 23rd November and not the 24th as stated.

The camogie side in our Club is flourishing. Last October our Intermediate team won the Intermediate Championship with a win over St. Brigids of Castleknock in the final and were promoted to Senior Championship status and now this same team having topped their league competition are promoted to senior league status for forthcoming league competition. The camogie side has really begun to thrive in the Club, with special credit to Mary Gibney who established the foundations of senior camogie in the Club. The progress the Club is making is reflected in our representation at County level. Christine Shanahan at senior level, her sister Grace Shanahan at under 23, and at minor level, Seodhan O'Riain, Clodagh Hogan and Susie Dalton. The ladies can now look forward to the 2025 competitions as the first camogie team in the history of Naomh Olaf to compete at senior level in either league or championship. Congratulations girls and at this time we should not forget the number of men who are doing outstanding work in the promotion of camogie in the Club.

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Blessing of the new Fundraising Committee



A Word from Fr Jim

What a beautiful day we had last Sunday to celebrate our parish feast day, Feast of the Ascension.

Special thanks to Cinzia, Conor, and Mr Mick.

The presence of Bishop Paul Dempsey was a blessing, everybody commented on his charisma and kindness.

We had a number of Highlights.

1. The blessing of our fundraising Ministers, Cinzia, Esther, Thomas Augustine & Oliva and the launch of the Pilgrimage on Wheels, Balally to Glenstal. Take a look at our poster on page 4. We need 14 cyclists.
2. The blessing and opening by Bishop Paul of our newly refurbished, Francis Café
3. The joyful Presence of the Holy Rosary Sisters

**Today is Pentecost Sunday. Blessed Pentecost
With My Love & Blessing: Fr Jim**



Baptism of Lourenzo Avila



Francis Café

Holy Rosary Sisters
and Cinzia



Bishop Paul and May cut the
ribbon on the Francis Cafe





Bishop Dempsey blessing on the new Fundraising Committee and Pilgrimage on Wheel project

A PILGRIMAGE ON WHEELS FROM BALALLY TO GLENSTAL



How can you help to support these initiatives?

- Match the cyclist's fundraising effort
- Sponsor the team
- Cycle with us to Glenstal
- Become a lead sponsor

How the parish will thank you

Balally Parish will be happy to acknowledge your contribution through publicity via Balally Parish Website, Newsletter and to all our parishioners

Begin your donation by scanning the QR Code

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Balally Parish is a registered charity and therefore qualifies for the revenue tax refund scheme on donation of above €250. Charity number: 20028266

Everyone is welcome to contribute to this event. All contributions would be greatly appreciated.