

CHURCH OF THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD BALALLY PARISH

14th June 2026

Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

Parish Office Open Hours:

Monday to Friday

9.30am 12.30

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Mass Times & Intentions:

Saturday 13th June 6.00pm vigil Mass

Michael Noonan (24th Annv)/

Irene Henderson/ Special Intention (In Thanksgiving)

Sunday 14th June 10.00am Mass

Christy Bradley (1st Annv)/ Patrick Fay (60th Annv) &

Eileen McEntee Fay (Birthday Remembrance)/

Irene Henderson/

Monday 15th June 10.00am Mass

Sinead Lynch/ Mary Whelan/ Marie Murphy/ Ursula Fitzgerald/

Barry Moloney/ Special Intention

Wednesday 17th June 10.00am Mass

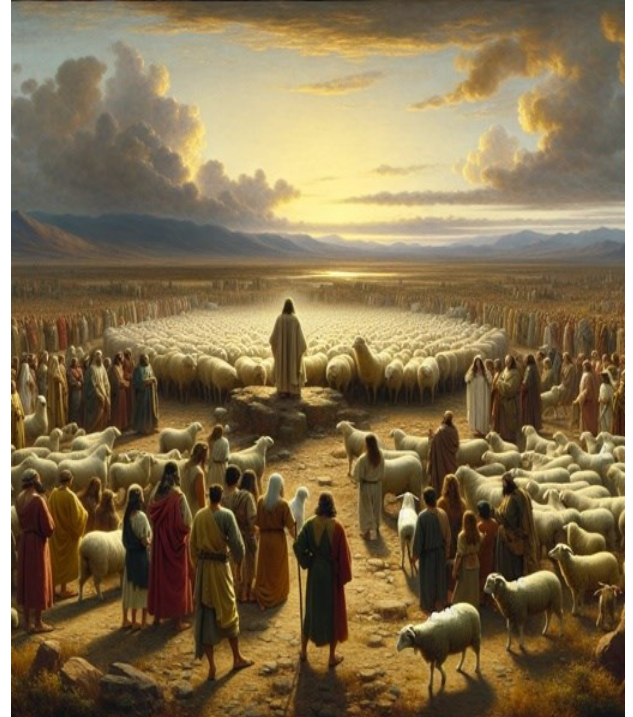
Denis & Matt Quinns/ Bridget McCormack/ Barry Moloney/ Michael

Power & Sinead Lynch/ Special Intention (Get well Mary Gibbons)/

Special Intention Birthday wishes for Denis Gibbons & Roger Ryan)

Friday 19th June 10.00am

Communion Service



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

There are some things we can't speed up. But if we speed it up in our imagination, then we begin to create a virtual reality and I think this contributes to a lot of our problems today, that we have imagined a world that is not a real world. There's virtual reality and it's been fuelled, driven, by our fascination and confidence in technology, that technology can do everything, and when we find that this is not how the world actually is, we can see that there's a great disappointment. But the reason I mentioned this is because if there is a contemplative approach to this crisis, I think it is in this sense that a contemplative approach will help to restore us to realism, to enable us to see the distinction between our fantasy, our imagined speed of change and development and the reality of things, and to keep these two in relationship. Because otherwise, if we become totally immersed, and entrapped with the virtual reality of our imagination, then reality itself will become an enemy, and we will find ourselves being oppressed by reality.

Sympathy

We extend our heartfelt sympathy
to the family and friends of
Daniel (Dan) Nolan: Balally Road
May he rest in the peace of Christ



COLLECTION

Thank you for your very generous
response to last Sundays collections
1st Collection €960 2nd Collection €590



Balally Parish 400 Club

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Naomh Olaf G.A.A. Club, Notes.



The Official Opening and Blessing by Father JIM of our new
Skills Wall will take place on...

Saturday the 20th June, 2026 at 3.00pm

with special guests in attendance, **but all are welcome.**

The Skills Wall has become a wonderful addition to the Club
and is already making a significant difference to the players of
all ages, providing year-round opportunities to develop skills
and enjoy our games regardless of the weather. It was a very
expensive, but worthwhile development which will benefit our
young people for generations to come. Funding was provided
largely by Club members and supporters buying a Brick for
£300. Those who purchased a Brick will have their names
inscribed on a wall at the development.

Saturday the 20th June, 2026 is also a Family Fun Day, from
10 .00am until 3.00pm. Join us for a jam packed day of fun
featuring inflatable games, Poc Fada Competition, B B Q
Ice cream, Fire Engine etc.

There will be **NO 6.00pm Mass** for
the Month of July.

Dates are 4th , 11th , 18th and 25th
There will be Masses at 6.00pm in Ballinteer

Vocations Society of St Joseph

Annual Knock Pilgrimage

SATURDAY: 27TH JUNE 2026

Bus departs Kilmacud Church car park at 7.45am
Goat Grill @ 8 am, Good Shepherd Church 8.05am
Leixlip: Our Lady's Nativity, bus stop at 8.30am approx.
Morning Coffee/tea & Ev. meal included **Cost: €70**

For further information, Booking Contact: Gerry Quinn,
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Funding Mission in Partnership (Pilot Programme)

Our parish, together with our partnership
(Balally, Ballinteer, Dundrum & Meadowbrook), has been
chosen as part of an Archdiocesan pilot programme.
We are one of three parish partnerships participating along
with Malahide, Portmarnock, Kinsealy, Yellow Walls
Partnership and Lucan, Lucan South, Esker Partnership.

This pilot programme, called Funding Mission in
Partnership, in tandem with our pastoral initiative
Building Hope, is focused on building sustainable
parishes for the future.

It will look at three key areas:

- The sustainability of our income and resources
- Streamlining income raised, making it easier to give
- Deepening pastoral engagement and growing lay
participation in the life of the parish.

At its heart, this initiative is about strengthening the
mission of the Church – how we live, share, and witness to
our faith in today's world. This pilot programme is a real
opportunity, not just for our parishes, but to help model a
way forward for parishes across the Archdiocese.

Initially, there will be an information-gathering phase
about what to promote during the pilot. We will begin
with a survey to help establish how parishioners feel
about giving to the Church and to the parish.

We hope that as many as possible will participate in the
survey. We will keep you posted during this month of
June about the first steps.

Fathers Liam, Jim, Paul

**(Columba Marmion Partnership – Balally, Ballinteer,
Dundrum & Meadowbrook)**

"For perfect hope is
achieved on the
brink of despair,
when instead of
falling over the edge,
we find ourselves
walking on air."

THOMAS MERTON



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Pope Leo XIV's words on his first day as pope . . .

“ We want to be a synodal Church, a Church that moves forward, a Church that always seeks peace, that always seeks charity, that always seeks to be close above all to those who are suffering. ” (Vatican City, 8 May 2025)



Photo courtesy of Bishop Paul Connell of Ardagh and Clonmacnois

The Holy Father was speaking to you, to every one of us!

We are all members of the Synodal Church. Since 2021, the Irish Synodal Pathway has involved people across Ireland listening, praying and sharing hope for the Church today, and tomorrow. You are invited to be part of this journey.

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2nd June 2026

Dear Father,

I am writing to ask you to promote the **Summer Dues** initiative again this year.

The Summer Dues has become an important initiative in recent years, helping to return the Common Fund to a healthy position, supporting priests in parishes, sick and retired priests, and those resident in nursing homes.

It is important that parishioners in all parishes across the Archdiocese are given an opportunity to support priests in this way. Please convey our gratitude for their support and thank them for their contributions that sustain us daily.

The Summer Dues initiative launches this year on the weekend of 13th/14th June. A poster and sample envelope accompany this letter. With your explanation and encouragement, the Summer Dues will provide people with an opportunity to express their support again this year:

In the Gospel reading for the 11th Sunday in Ordinary Time we hear about the call of the Apostles to follow Jesus (Matthew 10:1-2). Their call was to minister with him, to share the good news of God's love for all in Jesus, 'to proclaim that the Kingdom of God is very close at hand' (Matthew 10:7). The mission of 'the Twelve' of imitating Christ with compassion for all those who suffer, and bringing with them his healing and peace, continues in the Church's pastoral ministry.

The ministerial priesthood has come down to us in the Church from Jesus and the Apostles. Please encourage and pray for your priests in their ministry, and pray, too, for an increase in vocations to the priesthood. As Jesus says: 'The harvest is rich but the labourers are few, so ask the Lord of the harvest to send labourers to his harvest (Matthew 9:37).'

The Summer Dues appeal contributes to the essential support of priests. The generosity that you have towards your priests is indispensable.

Please play your part, too, in a renewed and active involvement of all the baptised as together we build a synodal Church, nourishing and supporting each other, led by the Holy Spirit and counting the wonderful blessings of God in our lives.

I trust that you, too, will take time to be renewed and refreshed this summer,

+Dermot Farrell
Archbishop of Dublin