

CHURCH OF THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD BALALLY PARISH

21st August 2022

Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time

Parish Office Open Hours:

Monday to Friday 9.30am – 2.00pm.
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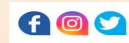
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Mass Times & Intentions:

Sunday 21st August 10.00am mass

James & Annie Corrigan/ Pat Cullen/ Laurie Dunne/
Tom Pender/ Pat McLaughlin

Monday 22nd August 10.00am Mass

Iris Garbett/ Jim Mitchell/

Special Intention (Get well)

Tuesday 23rd August (No Mass)

Wednesday 24th August 10.00am Mass

Tom Pender/ Ann Foley/Martin Molamphy/
Ann Griffin

Thursday 25th August (No Mass)

Friday 26th August 10.00am Mass

Anne Englemann/ Brendan Sadlier/
Special Intention (Get well for Elma Touhy)

Saturday 27th August 6.00pm Vigil Mass

Margaret O' Reilly/ Leo Keenan (8th Annv)/

Sunday 28th August 10.00am

John & Josephine Dowling/

Paraic Ruane/ Patrick & Elizabeth Candon



*I do not know where you are from.
Depart from me, all you evildoers! (Gospel)*

*William Holman Hunt, detail
The Importunate Neighbour*

Reflection by Father Laurence Freeman

For us, we have been led, thankfully, to this path of meditation and the way of the mantra. We don't say this is the only way or that we are the best, but we know and we can share this knowledge with whoever is interested, that this is a valid way and it is a universal way. We can teach meditation to five-year-olds or to 95-year-olds, we can teach meditation to people in recovery from addiction, people on the margins of society, people sleeping on the streets, and we can teach it to top executives and politicians. It is the radical simplicity of meditation in this way that I think has allowed the community that John Main began more than 40 years ago to evolve in the way that it has, not by any great design, not by a huge investment of money or great bureaucratic institutions, but by the work of the Spirit.

DOROTHY DAY, THE FOUNDER OF THE CATHOLIC WORKER MOVEMENT

Quote

True love is delicate and kind, full of gentle perception and understanding, full of beauty and grace, full of joy unutterable. There should be some flavour of this in all our love for others. We are all one. We are one flesh in the Mystical Body as man and woman are said to be one flesh in marriage. With such a love one would see all things new; we would begin to see people as they really are, as God sees them.

Church Services:



Baptisms: Baptisms take place
Second Sunday of every month.

For more Information please contact the
Parish Office on 012954296

Email: balallyparish@gmail.com

Balally Parish Mass Times:

Monday 10.00am Wednesday 10.00am and
Friday 10.00am. Saturday 6.00pm (Vigil Mass)
Sunday 10.00am

7.00pm vigil Mass Holy Days
10.00am Mass on Holy Day



[View the Live Broadcast of our services](#)

Go to www.balallyparish.ie
for live streaming of our online Masses

Sympathy

We extend our heartfelt sympathy
to the Family and friends of
James (Jim) Mitchell
May he rest in the peace of Christ



Balally Parish 400 Club

August draw will take place weekend of 27/28th

Did you ever think of joining
If you would like to Subscribe please contact
Ph: 087 2577651 or Parish Office 012954296



The Coffee dock is open
Sunday, Monday & Friday after 10.00am Mass
Please do drop in for a cuppa and a chat.
if you are interested in volunteering
please contact the Parish Office on 01-2954296



The monthly outdoor collection for
The Society of St Vincent DePaul
will take place after Masses this weekend



Readings for next Sunday 28th August 2022
Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time.

Reading I: Sirach 3:17-18, 20, 28-29

Responsorial Psalm 68:4-5, 6-7, 10-11

Reading II: Hebrews 12:18-19, 22-24a

Gospel: Luke 14:1, 7-14

SAVE THE DATE....

An Evening of Thanksgiving by candlelight.
Featuring

Dana, Philomena Begley Brian McGrane
to name but a few.

Church of the Ascension of the Lord
Balally, Sandford, Dublin 16

Friday 25th November 2022

Tickets €30

Doors open 7.30pm, show starts 8pm sharp.

Raffle will take place after the concert

Tickets on sale in the Parish Office

Contact 012954296

Proceeds go to the Church / Artists

A Word From Fr Jim .

You may have read about the Synthesis document sent to Rome in preparation for the Synod of 2023.

You can read it here at

<https://synod.ie/wp-content/uploads/2022/08/National-Synthesis-17-50-Fri-12th-August-.pdf?swcfpc=1>

It calls for a major change in the Church's attitude to women, those married, divorced and single parents.

It also recommends the removal of mandatory celibacy for priests. Some thought the bishop would fudge it, not so.

In his covering letter, Archbishop Martin of Armagh said, "Our listening process has identified the need for a more inclusive outreach, reaching out to those who have left the Church behind and in some cases feel excluded, forgotten or ignored". It's really worth a read .

Some have expressed disappointment that important issues outside the Church structures barely got a mention. Social justice, care for the poor, care for the earth etc.

I share this frustration, but this is where **we** come in.

We of course need to provide new structures of lay leadership and inclusion. We need to prepare for a lay- led parish after Fr Dermot and I depart.

We need to prepare new leaders especially among the young but, it all has to be based on personal transformation and renewal based on the Gospel. Thus our Building Hope Mission of meditation and service is urgent, let us begin.

A few very important dates for your diary.

Tuesday 13th September @7.00pm

(Talk by Fr Laurence Freeman on meditation)

Monday 3rd October @7.00pm

(Commissioning of Ministers for Service in the parish for the next 3 years.)

September (Season of Creation)

With My Love & Blessing Fr Jim

COLLECTIONS

Thank you for your very generous response to last Sundays collections

1st Collection € 775 & 2nd Collection € 520

Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

1st Collection €171 & 2nd Collection €114



Peter McVerry Trust
Wexford Cycle 2022
Saturday 17th September

The annual Peter McVerry Trust Wexford Cycle 2022 will take place on **Saturday 17th September.**

The cycle raises vital funds for the housing and homeless charity founded by Fr Peter McVerry. The event is open to all abilities and is a great day out. To find out more visit

www.pmvtrust.ie/cycle or call 01 823 0776.