

CHURCH OF THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD BALALLY PARISH

18th December 2022

4th Sunday in Advent

Parish Office Open Hours:

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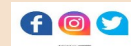
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Mass Times & Intentions:

Saturday 17th December 6.00pm

James (Jim) Daly (Months mind)

Mary Conlan (13th Annv)/

Vincent Russell & Nora O' Sullivan/Lola Hackett/

Shane Kavanagh/ Fred Glass/ Sean & Mary Dillon

Sunday 18th December 10.00am Mass

Peter Maher (11th Annv)/ Sean Whelan (14th Annv)/

Andrew Watt (18th Annv)/ Anna Steenson/ Rory Kavanagh/

Mary Whelan/Fred Glass/ Alice Brett/

Special Intention (John Kane Birthday Remembrance)

Monday 19th December 10.00am

Christmas Mass Bouquet

Sharon Pocock/

Special Intention (Birthday Remembrance)

Tuesday 20th December

Christmas Mass Bouquet Contemplative Mass 7.30pm

Wednesday 21st December 10.00am Mass

Christmas Mass Bouquet

Joe Lynam (11th Annv)

Thursday 22nd December (No Mass)

Friday 23rd December 10.00am Mass

Christmas Mass Bouquet

Tom Dunford (13th Annv)

Teresa O' Dowd



The Dream of St Joseph
Gospel Matthew 1:18-24

Reflection by Father Laurence Freeman

Fear has many shapes and manifestations and it is not easily dealt with at a rational level. If we overcome our fear of the unconscious, we will be able to plunge into the unconscious as a place of encounter with God as a source of wisdom. Perfect love casts out fear, St John says. Perfect love is perfect attention, fullness of attention. When we come to pure attention – that's what perfect means: pure, un-mediated, simple, direct, steady, constant – when we come to pure attention, fear dissipates, fear evaporates or is reduced. And in its place we see, not the darkness, the negative darkness of fear, but the light, the light that is love.

POPE FRANCIS

Quote



“I am thinking of what Saint Ignatius told us, he pointed out two criteria on love. The first love is expressed more clearly in actions than in words. The second : There is greater love in giving than in receiving”

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

HOLY DAYS

All Holy Days that fall on
Monday, Wednesday, Thursday
Friday, Mass will take place at 10.00am.

If a Holy Day falls on Tuesday it will be a
Contemplative Mass which will take place at 7.30pm

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for live streaming of our online Masses



CHRISTMAS MASSES

Saturday 24th December (Christmas Eve)

**VIGIL MASS FOR CHRISTMAS – 6PM (CHILDREN)
AND 8PM (CHOIR)**

**AND 10PM CONTEMPLATIVE MASS
(REFRESHMENTS AFTERWARDS)**

**Sunday 25th December (Christmas Day)
MORNING MASS 10AM (CHOIR)**

**Balally Parish 400 Club
December draw will take place this weekend
Did you ever think of joining**



If you would like to Subscribe please contact
Ph: 087 2577651 or Parish Office 012954296

Advent Mini Pilgrimage

On Tuesday December 20th our pilgrimage will be to
Holy Cross Church to visit the unique Icon of
Blessed Columbia Marmion. We will be hosted there by
Fr John Bracken and a group from Dundrum Parish.
Assembling again in the Lane Room at 1pm on the day.
We would love if you could join us.

Penitential Services

Balally parish: Sunday 18th December after 10am Mass
Divine Word: Monday 19th December at 8.00pm
Ballinteer: Tuesday 20th December at 7.30pm
Dundrum: Saturday 24th December at 12 noon

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



A Word from Fr Jim

Well done to everyone who took part in all the recent
Advent activities.

On Monday morning 19th December, at the end of
Advent Morning Prayer (9.20am) we will have
a live link up in the Church with meditators from all
over the world, led by two meditators from Ukraine,
a young couple involved in humanitarian aid.
Please join us in the Church, the link will start at
9.20 am and will conclude before the 10.00am Mass.

**With my love & blessing
Fr Jim**

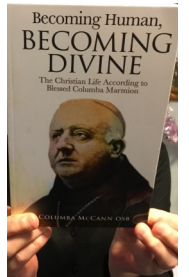
Columba Marmion Book

Already 60 books have been sold.
We will have more this weekend.

You can give your €10 to
Mr David, more importantly, I invite you to
read it over Advent and Christmas.
On Tuesday 20th we will go on pilgrimage
to Dundrum Church at 1pm, to hear more
about Blessed Columba and to pray at his icon in the
Holy Cross. We will celebrate the centenary of his death
on Monday 30th January, a powerful intercession and a
man who as a young priest served as a curate in Dundrum.

Blessed Columba, intercede for us

Fr Jim



Sacrament of Baptism

We Welcome Babies

Eve Reilly & John Geddes

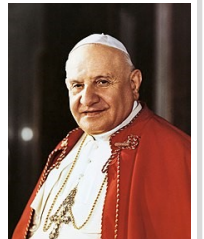
Who were baptised into the Christian Community
In this Church last Sunday



Pope St John XXIII

Quote

Consult not your fears but your hopes and
your dreams. Think not of your frustrations
about your un-fulfilled potential.
Concern yourself not with what you
tried and failed in, but with what is still
possible for you to do



HOSPITALITY GROUP

There was no Hospitality Group on
Wednesday 14th December due to weather conditions,
it will take place instead on the 21st December .

COLLECTIONS

Thank you for your very generous
response to last Sundays collections
**First Collection €580. Share went to
St Vincent de Paul**

Feast of the Immaculate Conception
1st Collection € 245 2nd Collection €165

