

# Church of the Holy Spirit Ballyroan

24th of November 2024

Thirty-Fourth Sunday In Ordinary Time

**Sunday Christ the King B. 24<sup>th</sup> November 2024**

**Our Gospel reading is from John 18:33-37**

***My kingdom is not from this world.***

Today's Gospel is preparing us for the new Church year and the season of Advent that starts next week. We will celebrate the fact Christ came into our world and brought a message of hope but also an invitation to be part of a new kingdom of love.

The real authority of Jesus came from how he lived his life, his integrity and his message of love to all, but not from a position of power. Jesus was born into a poor family in a small hilly town called Nazareth, yet he was the Christ our Saviour.

Our other readings from Daniel and Revelations are apocalyptic readings that are looking towards the future, while giving encouragement to the Christian community trying to make sense of the struggles of life.

Jesus is the Alpha and the Omega, who is and who was and who is to come!

***Whatever happens in your life can you stay strong in faith, knowing that God will always love us.***

**Reflection by Deacon Frank.**  
(ref: [www.tarsus.ie](http://www.tarsus.ie))



**SAPLINGS**

**CHRISTMAS  
BAKE SALE**

BALLYROAN PARISH RUAH CENTRE

**SATURDAY 30TH NOV 7PM  
SUNDAY 1ST DECEMBER 10AM**

You are all welcome to enjoy some nice treats while helping us raise funds for essential therapeutic services and supports for the Students of Saplings Special School for Children with Autism and Complex Needs.

**FESTIVE FUN WITH GREAT RAFFLE PRIZES**

Three festive treats: a cupcake with snowflakes, a mug with a hot drink and a cookie, and a cupcake with a candy cane.

**THE BIG  
WELCOME**

As Part of our Parish Partnership we are mixing things up a little. For the First weekend in Advent our neighbouring priests in Knocklyon Fr. Cyril Ma Ming and Fr. Adrianus Boysala will be covering the weekend masses in Ballyroan . I will cover Knocklyon masses. I know our parish will welcome Fr. Cyril Ma Ming and Fr. Adrianus Boysala with open arms.

Thank you, Fr. Michael.

Dear Parishioner,

The Cyclamen in remembrance of your loved one which will be placed on the altar and prayed for at the Christmas Masses can be ordered from this weekend. These Cyclamen can be collected after the Christmas Masses. The envelopes are available on the table at the back of the Church. Write the name of the person or persons to be remembered on the front of the envelope, insert your donation in the envelope and place it in the box safe on the table.

The closing date for orders is Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> December. The surplus funds will go to the charity 'Mary's Meals'. Last Christmas your generous contributions raised €1,600 for 'Mary's Meals' which for the last year brought life changing daily meals for 73 children in Gold Camp Community School in Liberia, Chitala School in Zambia and Namitala School in Malawi. These are the three schools which are supported by the Dublin volunteers of Marys Meals. Thank you for your continued support.

John Shortt.



## Mass Intentions 23rd — 29th November

**Saturday 7pm:** Billy O'Dwyer (A) Stan Keeley (A) Tom Potter (A)

**Sunday 10am:** Josephine Nolan (A) Brendan Prone (A) Belinda Kelly (RIP)

**Sunday 12pm:** Claire Whelan (A) Michael O'Durcáin (RIP) James Scally (A) Dr. Padraig O'Domhnaill (A)

**Monday:** Helen Fingleton Birthday (L)

**Tuesday:** Special Intention (D)

**Wednesday:** Louise Byrne (A)

**Thursday:** Special Intention (L)

**Friday:** All souls in purgatory

Active retirement singers meet

this Sunday in the Ruah Centre

24th of November @ 7.30

All are welcome to what is sure to be a fun night of music, laughter, tea and coffee!!!



## Parish Information

**Parish Priest:** Father Michael Murtagh

**Deacon:** Frank Browne

**Parish Secretary:** Mary McDade

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**Parish Office Opening hours:**

Monday - Friday: 10.00am – 12.00 noon

**Mass Times**

Monday - Friday: 10am

Saturday: 7pm

Sunday: 10am & 12 noon

SATURDAY 30th NOVEMBER  
9.45AM - 3.30 PM  
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