

# Church of the Holy Spirit Ballyroan

2nd Of March 2025

Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Times

**Gospel reading 2<sup>nd</sup> March 2025. Sunday 8 C:  
Luke Chapter 6**

***A good person draws what is good from the store of goodness in his heart...***

Our Gospel reading from Luke ends Jesus' sermon on the plain which we have heard over the last few weeks. Luke who has a particular focus on Jesus' care for the needs of the poor, and vulnerable, challenges us to reflect on what our real intentions are when we interact with others. What lies deep within our hearts when we speak to others, are we being authentic and acting with integrity?

Luke shares two of Jesus' warnings, expressed in colourful language and with exaggeration and wit which is characteristic of Jesus' teachings. The first of the eyes with the splinter and the log, warns us to use the same standards in judging ourselves as we use in judging others. The second parable of the good and bad tree invites us to examine our motivation for what we do.

***If we can all be motivated by love, then we shall bear good fruit.***



**Bethany**  
Bereavement Support

National Bereavement Support for Adults

The next drop in meeting for bereaved people will be held on  
Monday, 10th March 2025 in the Ruah Parish Centre.

Morning meeting: 11am to 12 noon. Evening meeting: 7.30 pm to 8.30 pm

Whether your loss is recent or long ago, you are welcome to attend .

Confidentiality Assured. Helpline 089 4501479130

## ST. ENDA'S PARTNERSHIP

Rathfarnham, Churchtown, Ballyroan, Marley Grange,  
Ballyboden & Knocklyon Parishes

# SONGS OF Hope



An Evening of Songs of Hope & Praise  
featuring Parish Choirs from  
St. Enda's Partnership.



**Good Shepherd  
Church,  
Nutgrove Ave.,  
Churchtown**

**Friday  
21st March,  
7.30pm**

(St Enda's Feast Day)

Entry free  
All warmly welcome.

Refreshments after  
in Parish Centre.

Fr. Michael is looking forward to welcoming the Boys and Girls from Ballyroan Boys School and scoil naomh Pdraig this Sunday 2nd of March at the 12noon Mass. During this Mass the boys and girls will celebrate their ceremony of Light. We ask that all our parishioners will keep them in their prayers as the embark on this special part of their faith journey.



# CAMINO DE SANTIAGO THE FRENCH WAY

Join Ballyroan Community for a trip of a life time !

3rd - 10th Sept 2025 Cost €790 exc Flights  
Only a few places left !

Information Evening in the Ruah  
on 10th March at 6.30pm

Experience breathtaking landscapes, ancient  
villages, and deep spiritual connections.

Contact Barbara 086-8640893  
Or Mary in the Ruah Centre



## Mass Intentions 1st - 2nd Feb

Saturday 7pm Tom Cahill (A) Michael Loftus (M.M.)

Sunday: Angela Carroll (A)

Sunday 12pm: Michael King (A) Pat & Jo Moriarty (A)

Monday: Funeral Mass for Kevin Connelly (R.I.P.)

Tuesday: Special Intention (L) Al and Marie Traynor 60th  
wedding anniversary Sheila Cashin (R.I.P.)

Wednesday: A mass of thanks giving Margaret MAIN  
(R.I.P.) Special Intention

Thursday: Mass association of the Living

Friday: First Friday Alter List of the dead

## Ash Wednesday 05th of March

**Ash Wednesday** holds significant meaning in Christianity, marking the beginning of the season of **Lent**. It is a time of reflection, repentance, and preparation for the ultimate sacrifice of Jesus Christ on the cross. This solemn day is observed by millions of Christians worldwide, as they receive the sign of the cross made with ashes on their forehead. The use of ashes symbolizes humility, mortality, and the need for cleansing and forgiveness. Ash Wednesday serves as a reminder of our mortality, urging us to ponder upon the brevity of life and the importance of seeking spiritual renewal. As we enter this holy season, let us embrace the biblical meaning of Ash Wednesday, humbling ourselves before God, seeking forgiveness, and renewing our commitment to live a life modeled after Christ's sacrifice. May this season of Lent be a transformative journey towards spiritual growth and a deeper relationship with the Almighty

SVP Collections will take place

1st & 2nd March.

All donations welcome



## **Parish Information**

**Parish Priest:** Father Michael Murtagh

**Deacon:** Frank Browne

**Parish Secretary:** Mary McDade

**Child Safeguarding & Protection Service:**

Nuala McCloud

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**Parish Office:** 01 4947303

**Parish Office Opening hours:**

Monday - Friday: 10.00am – 12.00 noon

**Mass Times**

Monday - Friday: 10am

Saturday: 7pm

Sunday: 10am & 12 noon



**Learn, laugh, live**

The next meeting of The U3A will take place in the Ruah Centre on Monday next 3rd March @ 10.45am.