

Church of the Holy Spirit Ballyroan

06th Of April 2025

Fifth Sunday Of Lent

**Gospel Reading 6th April Sunday Lent 5C.
John Chapter 7:53-8:11.**

**Our Gospel today follows the theme of
last week: Forgiveness!**

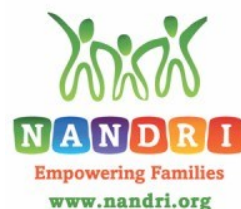
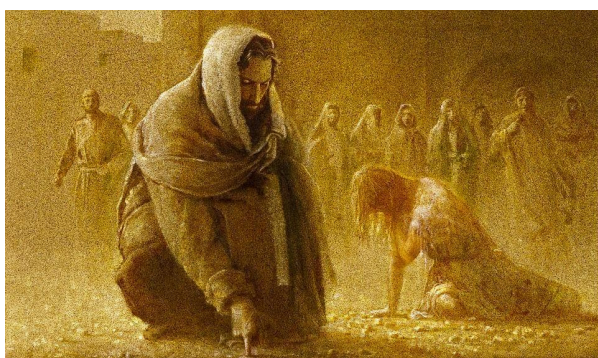
**Today we read the powerful story of Je-
sus, and the woman caught in adultery.**

Jesus shows the woman compassion and forgiveness, but he also ignores the calls of the religious leaders of the day, that wished to punish her by the inhuman act of stoning as laid down in Old Testament texts.

One can picture how Jesus may have interacted with this terrified woman. Jesus understood the background to this woman's life and how poverty may have led her into the situation in which she is found.

Jesus is challenging the rush to judgement, and his wise words of **'*anyone among you who is without sin be the first to throw a stone,***' saves the day.

The message for us is surely, to refrain from rash judgements, to try to understand others and ultimately to forgive, just as our loving God will forgive us if we are sorry!



We welcome Gracie and Vialli to Ireland and especially to our parish here in Ballyroan. These mothers are two volunteers who work for Nandri and go out into over 90 villages to oversee operations. The work they do is invaluable. Welcome to Ballyroan.



PALESTRINA 500

St Mary's Pro-Cathedral, Archdiocese of Dublin

For the **QUINCENTENNIAL** birthday of Giovanni Pierluigi da Palestrina, the Palestrina Choir is singing his settings of Masses and motets throughout 2025 in the liturgical context for which they were originally intended.

APRIL TO MAY 2025 - 11AM LATIN MASS & HOLY WEEK

- APR 6 Missa Eripe Me
Tribulationes Civitatum
Peccavimus Cum Patribus Nostri
- APR 12 Pueri Hebraeorum
- APR 13 Improperium Expectavit
- APR 15 Responsories
- APR 17 Exsultate Deo
Missa Brevis
- APR 19 Sicut Cervus
Surrexit Pastor Bonus à 8
- APR 20 Regina Caeli à 8
- MAY 4 Lauda Anima Mea
- MAY 11 Missa Regina Caeli à 5
Deus, Deus Meus
- MAY 18 Jubilate Deo Univera Terra
- MAY 25 Benedicite gentes



The next meeting of the U3A will take place in the Ruah Centre on Monday 7th April @ 10.30 am.



The next drop-in meetings for bereaved people will be held on Monday 14th April, in the Ruah Parish Centre. Morning meeting; 11am to 12 noon. Evening meeting; 7.30pm to 8.30pm. Whether your loss is recent or long ago, you are welcome to attend. Confidentiality assured. Phone 089 4504451.



SVP are holding our monthly outdoor collection on 5th and 6th April. Thank you for your support.



Camino Trip Update!

Interest in our Camino trip has been very successful. We have one place left for a male sharing a twin room. If interested please contact Barbara on (087) 8640893

Later on in the year we will organise a number of walks in preparation . Bien Camino!

Mass Intentions 05th - 11TH April

Saturday: Sister Ann O ' Donoghue (R.I.P) Kathleen Phillips (R.I.P) Dan Fishlock (R.I.P) Hanna Concannon (A) Bridie O Connell (A)

Sunday 10am: Shane Lakes (Birthday Remembrance) Birthday remembrance- Paddy Hannigan (90th) Sean Couch (A) Eileen Boran (A)

Sunday 12noon: Frank Gibbin (A) Mary & Phil & Emer Reilly (A) Bridie Kilduff (M.M.)

Monday: Mary McMahon (R.I.P) Louise McGowan (R.I.P)

Tuesday: Bríd Persse (R.I.P)

Wednesday : Mass Association Living

Thursday: Mass Association Deceased

Friday: Margaret Hinphey (A) Billy Hinphey (A)

Parish Information

Parish Priest: Father Michael Murtagh

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Monday - Friday: 10.00am – 12.00 noon

Mass Times

Monday - Friday: 10am

Saturday: 7pm

Sunday: 10am & 12 noon