

# Church of the Holy Spirit Ballyroan

3rd Of August 2025

Eighteenth Sunday In Ordinary Time

## Gospel reflection Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> August Sunday 18C: Luke CH12. 'The rich fool'

### 'One's life does not consist in the abundance of possessions'

The Parable of the 'Rich Fool' is found only in Luke's Gospel and reflects the author's interest in our attitudes to money and possessions. Luke is offering a 'wisdom teaching,' if you have time to read a little further from Luke CH12, there are further wise words. *Do not worry about what you will eat...or wear. Can any of you add a single hour to your life by worrying?*

Clearly, we all want to ensure we have enough resources to care for our family now and into the future, but we need to find a balance in life. Luke tells the story of the rich man who decided to store his many possessions, only to die soon after. He neither got to enjoy his possessions or share them with others.

Jesus lived a simple life, but we know that he enjoyed the company of others. He used meals as an occasion to share the good news that the 'Kingdom of God' is here, a Kingdom of love where all are welcome.

How often do we get joy from giving a gift or sharing our time to help others. Sharing allows us to grow as human beings and fulfil our calling as baptised Christians.

Deacon Frank



## STEP OUT FOR NANDRI

A sponsored walk to support mothers and children in India.

Sunday 31<sup>st</sup>  
August 2025

After 12 noon Mass

Ruah Centre, Ballyroan Parish,  
Marian Road, Rathfarnham

We're walking together to raise funds for Nandri, an Irish charity supporting Indian mothers to create brighter futures for their families.

Whether you're walking or sponsoring, every step makes a difference.

Bring your friends, your family, and your walking shoes. Let's Step Out for Nandri!

Sponsorship cards available now.

Collect yours today. All donations go directly to support Nandri's work in Tamil Nadu, India.

 **NANDRI**.org  
Empowering Families



Summer is almost over but before everyone goes back to school, we have a very special event taking place in Ballyroan Parish. On Sunday 31st of August after the 12 noon Mass we will be holding a sponsored walk to St. Enda's Park in Aid of Nandri a charity very dear to Fr. Michaels Heart. Sponsorship Cards can be gotten after all Masses at the back of the church and The Parish Office.

Any Questions please contact :Sheila (087) 7614192 Bernie (086) 8499041,

Ballyroan Parishioners

Coffee Morning

This Coming Tuesday

The Ruah Centre

After 10am Mass



**Recollection Weekend: 22nd - 24th August 2025 in Cluain Chiarain Prayer Centre, Clonmacnois. A retreat for adult Catholics seeking to deepen their spiritual life and grow in holiness. A time for silence, reflection and fellowship with talks from various guest speakers. €180 - all meals and accommodation provided with custom welcome pack. For more details and booking visit [www.thecollect.ie](http://www.thecollect.ie)**

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



**Bethany**  
Bereavement Support

*National Bereavement Support for Adults*



St. Vincent de Paul Collections will take place Saturday 2nd and Sunday 3rd August. Every little helps. Your support is much appreciated

**Mass Intentions :**  
**2nd – 8st August**

**Saturday :** Michael McDonagh (R.I.P.) Pat Clarke (A)

**Sunday 10am:** Shane Lakes (A) Francis Duffin (A) Mary Pratt (A)

**Sunday 12noon:** David Gaffney (A) Tony O'Toole (A) Tommy Bourke (M.M.) Teresa Moloney (R.I.P.) Patrick Whelan (A) Ciaran O' Leary (A)

**Monday :** No Mass (Bank Holiday)

**Tuesday:** Special Intention Dolan Family

**Wednesday :** Mass Association Living

**Thursday:** Mass Association Deceased

**Friday:** Malachy Morrissey (A) Jim Sinnott (Get Well Soon)

**Parish Information**

**Parish Priest:** Father Michael Murtagh

**Deacon:** Frank Browne

**Parish Secretary:** Mary McDade

**Child Safeguarding & Protection Service:**

Nuala Mcleod

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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