



Bohernabreena Parish

St Anne's & Holy Rosary Churches

Reg. Charity No. 20016166



Parish Bulletin

Sunday 2nd November 2025—All Souls Day



All Souls Day - 2nd November

This is a day specially set apart that we may remember and pray for our dear ones who have gone to their eternal reward, and who are currently in a state of ongoing purification. From time immemorial, people of all religions have believed in the immortality of the soul, and have prayed for the dead.

Since Jesus in no way contradicted this ancient belief, the efficacy of prayers for those who have died was incorporated by the infant Church into its teachings and practice. Evidence suggests that the belief dates back to the first century of the Church. "Remember us who have

gone before you, in your prayers," is a petition often found inscribed on the walls of the Roman catacombs (*Lumen Gentium* 50). In addition, Mass liturgies dating from these early centuries of the Church include "Prayers for the Dead." Some of the earliest Christian writings outside the New Testament, like the *Acts of Paul and Thecla* and the *Martyrdom of Perpetua and Felicity* (both written during the second century), refer to the Christian practice of praying for the dead.

Praying for the deceased members of the family as part of their family night prayers was also an ancient practice of oriental Christians. The early Fathers of the Church encouraged this practice which they believed had been inherited from the Apostles. Tertullian (A.D. 160-240) wrote about the anniversary Masses for the dead, advising widows to pray for their husbands. St. Augustine remarked that he used to pray for his deceased mother, remembering her request: "When I die, bury me anywhere you like, but remember to pray for me at the altar" (St. Augustine of Hippo, *Confessions*, Book 11, Chapter 13 Sections 35-37).

Though the word Purgatory does not appear in Scripture, neither do the words *Trinity* and *Incarnation*, yet those doctrines are clearly taught in it. Likewise, Scripture teaches that Purgatory exists, even if it doesn't use that word.

Logical belief, supported by synods. The Catholic Church teaches that not everyone who dies in God's grace is immediately ready for the Beatific Vision, that is, the direct experience of God and His perfect nature in heaven. So they must be purified of "lesser faults," and the temporal punishment due to sin in a place or state of purification. The Catholic teaching on Purgatory essentially requires belief in two realities: 1) that there will be a purification of believers prior to entering Heaven and 2) that the prayers and Masses of the faithful in some way benefit those in the state of purification. (frtonyshomilies .com)

NOVEMBER OFFERINGS FOR

HOLY SOULS - Sheets and envelopes for mass offerings for your loved ones are available at the back of our Churches. Please leave these envelopes in to the Sacristy after mass.

NOVEMBER REMEMBRANCE TREE

In Holy Rosary Church we will again have our 'Remembrance Tree' on our side table. Tags are available to write the names of your deceased loved ones. Please hang these tags on the tree and all of our loved ones will be remembered during the month of November.

PARISHIONER SEAN CULLIGAN & THE BALLYCULLEN FOOD BANK



Congratulations to parishioner Sean Culligan who ran the Dublin City Marathon on Sunday to raise funds for the Ballycullen Food Bank, established by Sue and Tracey six years ago. Sean had a goal of raising €5000 but surpassed that thanks to the generosity of his sponsors for which he is very grateful.

Sue, from the Ballycullen Food Bank, said the following: *Throughout the year we have some very generous donors, but none have come close to Sean Culligan who for several months has put himself through the gruelling task of training for the Dublin City Marathon. On Sunday myself and Tracy went along to watch the man in action. We were both very emotional on the day as we are so appreciative of what he has achieved both for himself and the foodbank. We are always under pressure to keep the foodbank stocked and, thanks to Sean and of course everyone who has donated to his fundraiser, that burden is eased for us for now.*



MASS INTENTIONS

October / November

St Anne's Church

10am Mass Friday

31st Oct Lily Cooke, Anniversary and Mick & Sheila Fitzgerald, Anniversary

10am Mass Saturday—All Saints

1st Nov Michael Quinn, 10th Anniversary

Holy Rosary Church

10.30am Mass Sunday

2nd Nov Betty Pollock, recently deceased.



NOVEMBER REMEMBRANCE MASSES

Holy Rosary - Sunday 9th Nov, 10.30am

St. Anne's - Wednesday 12th Nov, 7.30pm

St. Martins - Saturday 22nd Nov, 7.00pm

NO 10AM MASS ST. ANNE'S

Please note there will be no 10am mass in St. Anne's on **Friday 7th November**.



Rosary at St. Anne's Grotto During Oct

BOHERNABREENA - ST ANNE'S & HOLY ROSARY, ST MARTIN DE PORRES

PARISH TEAM:

FR. JAMES DALY, PARISH PRIEST 085.2513 730
FR. HECTOR MWALE, CHAPLAIN

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REV. PÁDRAIC O'SULLIVAN, DEACON

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Sunday 8.30am Friday 10am

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Mass Times Holy Rosary:
Sunday 10.30am
Monday 10am (except bank holidays)

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Mass Times St. Martin's:
Saturday 7.00pm (Vigil) Sunday 12.30pm
Tues, Wed, Thurs, Fri 10.00am

Website: www.bohernabreenaparish.com

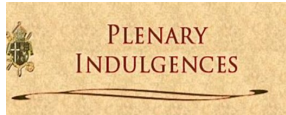
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All year round we have families who we help on a regular basis for one reason or the other and some who only call on us every so often due to bills coming in at the same time or something unexpected happening or, a common example, they get a job but are instantly cut off from their welfare without considering the fact that they may not get paid for at least six weeks!

There are many more reasons people come, too many to mention, but one factor is that food has become so expensive. The hard times are usually going back to school in September but as we're all aware, for families with young children, Christmas is the toughest time, especially paying it all back in the months after Christmas.

We try to ease the burden by running "Sponsor a Child" - someone can sponsor a child for whatever suits their budget, and we then pass on that gift. If you would like to help, please contact us on ballycullenfoodbank@gmail.com or on Facebook or Instagram messenger.



Month of November: A plenary (meaning "full") indulgence is a special type of indulgence that, if all the requirements are met, removes all temporal punishment due to one's sin.

Visiting a Cemetery: An indulgence, applicable only to the Souls in Purgatory, is granted to the faithful, who devoutly visit a cemetery and pray, even if only mentally, for the departed. Typically, the indulgence is plenary each day from November 1-8; on other days of the year, it is only a partial indulgence.

Visiting a Church on November 2: A plenary indulgence, applicable only to the Souls in Purgatory, is granted to the faithful, who on the day dedicated to the Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed [November 2 {as well as on the Sunday preceding or following, and on All Saints' Day}] piously visit a church. In visiting the church, it is required that one Our Father and the Creed be recited.

Indulgence Requirements: To acquire a plenary indulgence, it is necessary also to fulfil the following **three conditions:** sacramental Confession, Eucharistic communion, and prayer for the intention of the Holy Father while being detached from sin. It is appropriate that the sacramental Confession and especially Holy Communion and the prayer for the Pope's intentions take place on the same day that the indulgenced work is performed; but it is sufficient that these sacred rites and prayers be carried out within several days (about 20) before or after the indulgenced act. A plenary indulgence can be acquired only once in the course of the day.

FREE CONCERT
'SONGS FOR AN AUTUMN EVENING'
HARMONY FEDERATION (ALL IRELAND BARBERSHOP CHORUS)
The Firhouse Singers
Venue: ST AGNES CHURCH, CRUMLIN
SATURDAY 8TH NOVEMBER @ 7PM
Collection for Little Flower Penny Dinners, Meath St
FOR MORE DETAILS : RAY @ 0879195012

Holy Rosary Parents Association CHRISTMAS FAIR



Holy Rosary Parents' Association is planning a Christmas Fair on **Sunday 30th November 2025, 2pm-6pm.** Enquiries for Craft and Food stalls, €20 per table. Please contact Christina on 086 1294545 or any member of the Parents' Association.

IS YOUR FAITH LIKE A TINY PILOT LIGHT OR A FIRED UP BOILER? HAVE YOU EVER REALLY UNWRAPPED OR PUT



TO USE THE GIFT OF THE HOLY SPIRIT WHICH YOU RECEIVED AT BAPTISM AND CONFIRMATION?

"The Gift" is an inspiring and practical series of six sessions, aimed at adults of all ages, to help YOU encounter God's Holy Spirit and change YOUR life.

It is worth remembering that a group of ordinary people who followed Jesus were totally transformed through an encounter with the Holy Spirit and went on to change the world. **Would you like to be transformed?**

If enough people apply, we plan to offer this 6 week course on Tuesday evenings from 7pm to 8.30pm, starting on Tuesday 11th November 2025, in the Resource Room of Our Lady of Mount Carmel Church, Ballycullen Ave, Firhouse, D24 DH6N.

Since spaces will be limited, please register as soon as possible by (a) texting your name and email address to 086 8496460, or (b) phoning the Firhouse Parish Office at 01 4524702.

WEEKEND MASS COLLECTIONS

The weekly **PLANNED GIVING ENVELOPES** or **STANDING ORDERS** are the **SOLE SOURCES OF INCOME** which remain in the parish, contributing to the day to day running of the parish - altar expenses, light & heat, wages, etc. Every contribution is important to us, no matter how much or how little you can give. If you are in a position to contribute to the planned giving, please contact our parish offices for a box of envelopes or standing order form. In order to keep banking costs to a minimum, standing orders are our preferred method of payment please.

PLEASE CONTACT THE PARISH OFFICES FOR MORE DETAILS.

Common Fund: The first collection taken up during mass is paid directly to the Dublin Diocese to support the priests of our parish, sick and retired priests, priests in low income parishes, and priests working in special ministries.

Share Collection: The Share (or second) collection at mass is also paid directly to the Dublin Diocese and provides essential pastoral services supporting all parishes, as well as support to low-income parishes and contributing to initiatives of the Irish Bishops' Conference.