

ELEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (Day for Life) 16th June

The presence of God in our world is not always visible and his kingdom grows slowly. We are invited to grow in the confidence that God is always with us, even in the face of trials and evils.

MASSES

Vigil Saturdays: 6pm

Sundays: 9am & 11am

Weekdays: Monday to Saturday 10am

CONFESSIONS

Saturdays 10.30am and 5.30pm

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With
Deepest
Sympathy...

Deaths

We remember in our prayers Frank Murphy, Ballinlough and Michael Crowley, Dunmore Lawn, may they rest in peace, our sympathies to their families, friends, and kind neighbours.

Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord and let

perpetual light shine upon them. May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. *Amen.*

Annual Mass of Remembrance St. Michael's Cemetery, Blackrock. Wednesday 26th June at 7.30pm.

Family members, friends, and neighbours of all those buried in St. Michael's Cemetery are invited to attend. Please bring your own chair. In the event of bad weather Mass will be celebrated in Holy Cross Church. Extra parking and toilet facilities will be available at St. Michael's GAA grounds.



Ballinlough Meals on Wheels

To ensure the continuation of this valuable service kitchen assistants and drivers are needed – 1 hour approximately every second week.

Please contact Kay 086 – 8769 660

'Day for Life': a dedicated day celebrating the beauty and dignity of all human life.

Day for Life Sunday is celebrated annually with a special message by the Catholic Church across Ireland, Scotland, England, and Wales. It is a day specifically dedicated to raising awareness and reflecting on the deep value and meaning of human life at every stage, and in every condition. Today Sunday 16th June, the Church will mark Day for Life 2024 with a message on the theme:

The Lord is my shepherd – Compassion and Hope at the End of Life.

This year's message reminds us that Jesus did not send the sick away, rather He showed that life always has dignity and that there is no such a thing as a useless life. Catholics are called to defend this gift of life to its natural end and to protect vulnerable citizens from a culture that could pressure them into assisted suicide. In this way, we are encouraged to support people with the companionship of a listening ear, appropriate treatment, and the best of care, so that their last days can be times of grace, intimacy, and love.

This message also includes a brief human-interest story about a young man named Matt, and the experience of a priest who ministered to Matt and his loved ones in his final months and days. This grace-filled time proved to be a period of intense compassion and profound dignity, as well as faith enriching experience of love and generosity for all concerned.

The Day for Life message is available on
<https://councilforlife.ie/day-for-life-2024/>



This is a brief note to say how grateful I am for your kindness on the recent celebration of the silver jubilee of my ordination as a priest.

I have been genuinely humbled by your generosity and thoughtfulness on this special occasion. By your cards, letters and gifts - and most of all by your prayers- you have really made this milestone in my life and ministry memorable and something to be cherished. I am deeply appreciative. Míle buíochas.

Please know that, as a token of my gratitude, you and yours are borne in my prayers.

Sincerely yours in the Lord,

Monsignor Gearóid Dullea

