

Prayer for all our Deceased in Ballysheen

Dear Lord,

Here lie in their last rest, the men and women, boys and girls, who lived and worked here all their lives.

They knew the joy and peace that is the product of labour.

Now we trust they know the peace and happiness of everlasting life with You.

They watched the sun rise often, winter and summer, over these hills and fields.

They worked hard by its light, and turned willingly to their rest at its setting.

Now they walk in the light of a Sun that knows no setting.

Dear Lord,

Bring them speedily to the light of Your peace and the happiness of Your presence.

These men and women all their lives long laboured to supply the food and drink necessary to sustain human life.

Now, they enjoy in all its fullness the life that You, Lord, came down to earth to give us.

Dear Lord,

Bless us who now to continue the work of our dear loved ones.

Grant that we may remember them with charity and kindness, walking reverently in the ways that they have left behind them.

Grant, too, that we may finally meet these men and woman, these boys and girls, and infants, in the eternal mansions that You are even now preparing for us. **Amen**

May you continue to inspire us:

To enter each day with a generous heart.

To serve the call of courage and love

Until we see your beautiful face again

In that land where there is no more separation,

Where all tears will be wiped from our mind,

And where we will never lose you again.



***Death leaves a Heartache no one can Heal
Love leaves a Memory no one can Steal"***

Mass in Ballysheen Graveyard



on

Thursday September 1st

at 7.00 p.m.

*In
Loving
Memory*

***"Earth has no sorrow that
Heaven cannot heal"***

Reading:

A reading from Ecclesiastes

There is a time for everything,
And a season for every activity under heaven;
A time to be born and a time to die,
A time to plant and a time to uproot,
A time to kill and a time to heal,
A time to tear down and a time to build,
A time to weep and a time to laugh,
A time to mourn and a time to dance,
A time to scatter stones and a time to gather them,
A time to embrace and a time to refrain,
A time to search and a time to give up,
A time to keep and a time to throw away,
A time to tear and a time to mend,
A time to be silent and a time to speak,
A time to love and a time to hate,
A time for war and a time for peace.

The Word of the Lord



Responsorial Psalm:

Response: "We will remember them"

At the rising of the sun and at its going down ...

Response: We will remember them.

At the blowing of the wind and in the chill of winter

Resp: We will remember them.

At the blueness of the skies and in the warmth of summer ..

Resp: We will remember them.

At the rustling of the leaves and in the beauty of autumn..

Resp: We will remember them.

At the beginning of the year and when it ends ...

Resp: We will remember them.

When we are lost and sick at heart ...

Resp: We will remember them.

When we have joy and wish to share it ...

Resp: We will remember them.

When we have decisions that are difficult to make ...

Resp: We will remember them.

When we have achievements that are based on theirs ...

Resp: We will remember them.

All: For as long as we live, they too will live ...

For they are a part of us and we remember them.



The Gospel: A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew 5:1-11

Rejoice and be glad, for your reward will be great in heaven

Seeing the crowds, Jesus went up the hill. There he sat down and was joined by his disciples. Then he began to speak. This is what he taught them:

'How happy are the poor in spirit;
theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

Happy the gentle:

they shall have the earth for their heritage.

Happy those who mourn:

they shall be comforted.

Happy those who hunger and thirst for what is right:

they shall be satisfied.

Happy the merciful:

they shall have mercy shown them.

Happy the pure in heart:

they shall see God.

Happy the peacemakers:

they shall be called sons of God.

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Prayers of the Faithful:

God our Father has given us victory over death through His Son, Jesus Christ. Let us turn to him in our need, and pray to him with confidence.

We pray that Jesus, who is our resurrection and life, may give peace for ever to all who have died.

Lord Hear Us. Response: Lord Graciously Hear Us.

We pray that all people of this world of ours may never lose sight of their eternal destiny.

Lord Hear Us. Response: Lord Graciously Hear Us.

We pray for all who are bereaved, that they may find comfort in the belief that death has no power over their loved ones.

Lord Hear Us. Response: Lord Graciously Hear Us.

We remember the families of babies lost from the womb and in infancy who are **Born Into Heaven** and will rest in the **Garden of the Angels in Ballysheen.**

Lord Hear Us: Response: Lord Graciously Hear Us.

We pray that we ourselves may treasure the beautiful but fragile gift of life that God has given to all of us and make the most of every opportunity that comes our way.

Lord Hear Us. Response: Lord Graciously Hear Us.

We ask these prayers through Christ Our Lord. Amen.