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# Ballineaspig Bulletin

27<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time



CHURCH OF THE HOLY SPIRIT  
DENNEHY'S CROSS, CORK.



FROM OUR  
**PARISH  
TEAM**

*Fr. Patrick writes*

## WORRY

Anxiety, stress and worry are all part of the human condition. We feel that they are greater now than ever before. How do we deal with them? Do we deny their existence? Perhaps if this age is characterised by anything, it is that we wish to drown out these feelings with alcohol or drugs (prescribed or illegal).

St. Paul, like any human being, had his share of troubles, but more so because of the gospel. He wrote his letter to the Philippians around 56 A.D. and he wrote this while in prison. Yet the opening line of the second reading this Sunday is: "There is no need to worry." What was it that made him say this? He goes on to state: "But if there is anything you need, pray for it, asking God for it with prayer and thanksgiving." There was no one thing that inspired Paul to make that statement, rather one person Jesus Christ. With Him there is no need to worry.

*And can any of you by worrying add  
a single hour to your span of life?*

MATTHEW -7-

## UP THE 'TOWN!



### Bishopstown G.A.A.

For the Senior Footballers of Bishopstown, today is the big day. At 4.15 this (Sunday) afternoon, at Páirc Uí Chaoimh, they take on Nemo Rangers in the County Final. Please come and roar them on to victory! Juveniles free!

# Thank You

Thank you to all those who responded so generously to our appeal for distributors and folders for the Bulletins.



### *Remember Me?*

My name is Gossip. I have no respect for justice. I maim without killing. I break hearts and ruin lives. I am cunning, malicious and gather strength with age. The more I am quoted, the more I am believed. I flourish at every level of society. My victims are helpless. They cannot protect themselves against me because I have no name and no face. To track me down is impossible. The harder you try, the more elusive I become. I am nobody's friend. Once I tarnish a reputation, it is never the same. I topple governments and wreck marriages. I ruin careers and cause sleepless nights, heartaches and indigestion. I spawn suspicion and generate grief. I make innocent people cry in their pillows. Even my name hisses. I am called GOSSIP - office gossip - shop gossip - party gossip - telephone gossip. I make headlines and headaches. REMEMBER, before you repeat a story, ask yourself, is it true? Is it fair? Is it necessary? If not, do not repeat it. KEEP QUIET.

GREAT minds discuss ideas...average minds discuss events, shallow minds discuss people....which are you?

*Ann Landers*

*'Our law does not judge people without first giving them a hearing ... does it?'*

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## *Rest in Peace*

Matthew Ryan, Farranlea Grove, died unexpectedly in France on 11<sup>th</sup> September. Although in poor health for some years, at the time of his death he was pursuing his passionate interest in places and events connected with the World Wars. A native of the South Parish, Mattie was always a great traveller as his work in mechanical engineering took him, and indeed his family, all over the world throughout his life. He was also involved in the setting up of major industrial plants in this country. However, maybe his greater joy was in helping his own family and the wider family to set up homes of their own, as he was a great family man, friend and neighbour. He will be greatly missed. To his wife Peggy, his daughters Susan, Margaret, Carolyn, his sons Alfred and Matthew, his grandchildren, his brothers and sister and to a wider family, we offer our sincere sympathies.



We offer our sincere sympathy to TOM WALDRON, Wilton Road, on the death of his brother Michael in America.



## MOUNT MERCY NEWS

### HOPE FOUNDATION

On Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> October Mount Mercy hosted the official launch of the Hope Foundation Butler's Irish Chocolate Campaign in aid of the street children of Calcutta.

This year the Transition Year Mini-Company students have been chosen to co-ordinate the selling of the chocolate in Cork city schools.

Guests at the launch included founder members of the Hope Foundation, Sinead Sheppard from "Six" and Deputy Lord Mayor, Councillor Kathleen Lynch.



### Lovely is the Lough

An exhibition of pictures, photographs and posters entitled "Lovely is the Lough" will take place in the Scout Hall, Lough Church Grounds, Lough Road, from Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> to Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> October, daily from 10.30 a.m. to 12 noon, 3.00-5.00 p.m. 7.00-9.00 p.m. Morning refreshments served. Adm. free.

## Bible Corner



### DIVINE VINES

Ease of travel sees more intrepid wine lovers crossing to mainland Europe to buy wine at source. Saving money is not the sole motivation. The wine connoisseur likes to meet the vineyard owner and often to share in the story of a family vineyard that has been handed on from generation to generation. The bond between the grower and his vineyard is a special one. Successful wine growing seems to require not only knowledge and skill, but patience, hope, a feeling for and a commitment to the land itself and maybe, even love.

It has always been so, not least among the Hebrew people. The family vineyard always had a special place in their hearts and history. It is not surprising then that the Old Testament prophets used it as an image for God's people and that Jesus used it again and again to illustrate his teaching.

This weekend Isaiah shows how the Lord cares for his people, disciplines and guides them. Jesus highlights how his own people are rejecting the Son of God unknowingly rather than opening their hearts and minds to the gift God sends them in Himself. We are the vines of the Divine vine-dresser.

Bibles that are falling apart are usually read by people that aren't.



**NOTICE BOARD**

**P.E.A.C.E. Mass**

The 24<sup>th</sup> annual Mass for industrial peace, job creation and social justice will be celebrated at St. Mary's Dominican Church, Pope's Quay, on Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> October at 4 p.m. The special preacher will be Fr. Edmond Grace, S.J. All are welcome.

**Power to Change**

A special celebration under the heading "An Ecumenical Service of Thanksgiving, Praise and Spiritual Healing" will take place at St. Vincent's Church today 6<sup>th</sup> October at 7 p.m. led by well known writer and lecturer Fr. Pat Collins, C.M. Everybody is welcome to attend.

**Cork Mended Hearts**

Thanksgiving Mass at Cork University Hospital on Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> October at 7.30 p.m. All patients, families and friends are most welcome to attend.



**Welsh Barry Male Voice Choir**

Performing with local artists in a concert in aid of Cork Cancer Support Centre at St. Finbarre's Cathedral on Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> October at 7.45 p.m. Tickets €10 at Pro Musica or The Cathedral Shop.

**EMERGENCY NUMBER**

087 - 251 9940

**Alzheimer Society Cork Branch**

Carers support meeting on Monday 14<sup>th</sup> October in Jurys Hotel at 8 p.m.

Volunteers required. If you have a few hours to spare, your help would be greatly appreciated in our Day Care Centre at Coffa House in Church Street. Please phone Liaison Nurse Peggie Scriven at 4343225.

**Bishopstown Community School**

Evening Courses are now fully booked. Some availability in our Reiki Course commencing 22 October and Christmas Flower Arranging commencing 19<sup>th</sup> November.

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**God's Word**

**Readings for Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> October**

**First Reading:**

Is.25:6-10. God poetically recounts all he has done for his people, and shows sadness and anger at what he has got in return.

**Psalm**

**Second Reading:**

Phil.4:12-14. Peace is promised for all who ask God's help.

**Gospel:**

Mt.22:1-14. The sadness of the first reading is reflected in the Gospel: this time there is disappointment at how God's son is treated.