

Ballineaspaig Bulletin



CHURCH OF THE HOLY SPIRIT
DENNEHY'S CROSS, CORK

18th February, 2007

Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

No. 911

God's Word

Readings for Sunday
25th February

First Reading
Deut.26:4-10

Psalms 90

Second Reading
Rom 10:8-13

Gospel
Luke 4:1-13

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Fairtrade Fortnight 2007 (26 Feb - 11 Mar)



During Fairtrade Fortnight there is a special focus on the Fairtrade movement nationally. It is an opportunity to take stock of

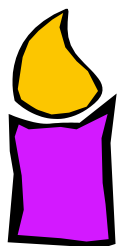
- new Fairtrade products on the market;
- shops, cafes and restaurants, which are using Fairtrade products;
- whether each of us, as an individual, is buying products which we know to be fairly traded;
- whether we are using our strength as consumers to influence ethical trading.

The consequences of our choices are far-reaching, ensuring that the Third World producers have a future for themselves and their families, and that the goods are produced in a manner which is sustainable.

As a Fairtrade Parish (Ireland's first) we plan to hold a Fairtrade display in the Crypt on the weekend of March 3rd and 4th, with refreshments and competitions. You will be surprised at the variety of goods now available, which carry the Fairtrade Mark: not just foods, but also clothing, ornaments. So note the dates in your diary! And think about the ways in which you might "change today, and choose Fairtrade".

SACRED SPACE

LENTEN CORNER



Are you looking around for a Lenten project?

Why not use this Lent as an opportunity to renew your commitment to prayer in the home.

When we pray together it makes us aware of ourselves as participating members of the Church community.

A sacred place in the home will help us to become aware of the presence of God. It will encourage us to talk to Him and listen to Him speak to us in the silence of our own hearts. This sacred place can be a corner with a candle. God is the source of life and the candle symbolises light and life. The candle will act as a symbol within the home of the God who is everywhere, who is always there for us and who is inviting us into communication with Him.

A further aid to the formation of a good prayer habit would be to set aside a time for prayer. Pick a time that suits you. Maybe when the Angelus bell rings, before a meal, or before bedtime could become your daily prayer time.

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FINANCIAL REPORT 2006
Presented by the Parish Finance Committee

Expenditure	€	Income	€	Special Collections 2006	€
Wages & PRSI	52,952	Sunday & Holy Day Collections	133,073		
Heating & Lighting	19,895	Shrines	13,732		
8% Levy to Diocesan Office	10,495	Bank Interest	369		
Insurance	6,149	Directories, pamphlets, etc.	506		
Pastoral Council Formation	1,110	Rents - Crypt & Parish Centre	8,110	Lourdes Pilgrimage Fund	650
Office supplies/Booklets/ Bulletin/calendars	6,242	Donations	1,860	Holy Places	718
Eucharistic Procession Fund	500	Tax Refund	1,268	Episcopal Commissions	650
Church Requisites	6,765	Insurance cover for subsidence	48,997	Peter's Pence	1,192
Repairs & Maintenance	6,605	Insurance credit	429	Priesthood Education	4,330
Church Organ Repairs	5,429	Total	208,344	Mission Sunday	3,720
Telephones	1,241			Marriage Support	630
6% Diocesan Retirement Levy	7,871	Summary		Trócaire	8,782
Bank Charges	1,068			Peru	1,705
Equipment	3,851	Balance 1/1/2006	20,260	Turkwell	12,451
Roof repairs Parish Centre	5,401	Income	208,344		
New Toilet in Church	7,950	Total	228,604		
Subsidence in parish houses (to be completed)	47,942	Expenditure 2006	191,466		
Total	191,4	Balance 1/1/2007	37,138		

PARISH ACCOUNTS - THANK YOU

As the accounts above show, you contributed generously to various needs, we paid the bills and have a little left over. Thank you. Fr. Tom Clancy

LENT

Ash Wednesday

Next Wednesday 21st is a day of fast and abstinence.
Masses at 9.00, 10.00 and 7.30 p.m.

Remainder of Lent: Masses at 9 and 10am only.

NOTICE BOARD

Faith Development Programme

Five weekly talks, during Lent, will be given in Brú Columbanus, Wilton. The first talk "Betrayal, Crucifixion and Resurrection - Everyday Realities" will be given by Fr. John Newman on Thursday 22nd February at 8 pm. Admission free. All welcome.



Baile'n Easpaig Gramophone Circle

Our monthly recital will take place on Wednesday next 21st February at 3pm in the Crypt of our church at Dennehy's Cross, when Finbarr Dunlea will give the recital, and everybody is welcome to an afternoon of delightful music.

PASTORAL COUNCIL NEWS

Trócaire Lenten Campaign boxes will be handed out after Masses on 24th and 25th February. The theme will be Gender Equality, and the country focus is Malawi. The work on renovating the porches is progressing.

Bible Corner



GREATER LOVE

David was on the run with Saul in pursuit. Indeed, Saul had several near misses in his attempts to kill his son-in-law David. In this weekend's reading, the tables are completely overturned. David has a perfect opportunity to kill Saul. Even for his own safety he must surely take this opportunity. He does not. Instead, he spares Saul's life and offers him the hand of reconciliation and friendship.

A great spirit of generosity towards others inspires David. The welfare of another takes precedent over his own. The story is recalled this weekend as a concrete human prelude to the teaching of Jesus in the gospel. It could challenge each of us to have a David moment or even to live as Jesus calls us to do.

Fr. Tom Clancy

Rest in Peace

Teresa Walsh, Greenfields, Model Farm Road, had been unwell for the past few months. She was admitted to the Mercy University Hospital a few weeks ago for special treatment. She died there unexpectedly on 2nd February. Teresa was a native of the Blackpool district in our city, and was fiercely proud of her roots, and an ardent follower of Glen Rovers. We offer our very sincere sympathy to her husband Tommy, her daughters Marie (New York), and Therese (Crossbarry), brothers, sister (half-twin), her sons-in-law and her many friends. Her funeral and interment took place in Innishannon.

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