

Ballineaspig Bulletin



CHURCH OF THE HOLY SPIRIT
DENNEHY'S CROSS, CORK

16th March, 2008

Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion

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Dear Parishioner,

In a recent Bulletin, I advised you that we planned to introduce a new envelope collection system from April 2008, to enable our parish to benefit from those PAYE taxpayers whose annual eligible donations amount to €250 or more, so that the parish may claim tax refunds. Leaflets explaining this tax relief scheme are available at the church doors or in the parish office.

The new envelope system is **entirely voluntary** and **strictly confidential**. If you decide to participate, you will receive a box of numbered, pre-printed envelopes, one for each Sunday, holy day and special diocesan collections from April to December 2008. You can then put your normal donation into the envelope, and place the envelope in the basket during the offertory collection each week. If you can't attend for any reason, please fill your envelope just the same and place it in the basket the next time.

The number assigned to you will be printed on each of your envelopes. When the weekly collections are being counted, the envelope numbers and amounts will be noted, and that information will afterwards be recorded against your name. At the end of the tax year, **all** eligible donations made by you (including your Easter and Christmas dues contributions if you so wish) will be totalled and you will receive a receipt showing this total, plus a certificate to complete if your donations for the year amounted to €250 or more.

The boxes of envelopes can be collected from the Parish Centre after the 6.15 Vigil Mass and after all the Sunday Masses on the weekends of 15th/16th and 29th/30th March, or alternatively on any weekday morning. Members of the Parish Finance Committee will also be available in the Parish Centre after the Masses on both those weekends to answer any questions you may have about either the tax relief scheme or the new envelope system. There is also a useful fact sheet available at the church doors, which will hopefully answer any further questions you may have.

The priests of this parish greatly appreciate your continued support and generosity. Thank you.

Monsignor Kevin O'Callaghan, P.P.

REMINDER

RECONCILIATION SERVICE

TODAY SUNDAY, 16TH, AT 5.00PM

Email: holyspiritparish@eircom.net

Website: www.dennehyscrossparish.ie

HOLY WEEK CEREMONIES

Holy Thursday

7.30 pm. Mass of the Lord's Supper.
Please bring Trócaire Boxes
9.00 - 10.00 pm. Keeping Watch in Crypt

Good Friday

11.00 am. Stations of the Cross by children for children.
12.00 noon. Stations of the Cross for all.
3.00 pm. Celebration of the Passion of the Lord, Veneration of the Cross, Holy Communion.
8.30 – 9.30 pm. Watch and Pray.

Holy Saturday

9.00 pm. The Easter Vigil.
N.B. No Vigil Mass at 6.15pm.

Easter Sunday: 9.00, 10.30 and 12.15pm.

Easter Monday: 10.00am.

Weekday Masses: 9.00 and 10.00am.

RECONCILIATION

Penitential Services

Dennehy's Cross: Sunday 16th at 5.00pm
Sacred Heart: Monday 17th at 7.30pm
Wilton: Tuesday 18th at 7.30pm
Curraheen: Tuesday 18th at 8.00pm

Confessions

Good Friday: After ceremonies & 7.30-9.30pm
Holy Saturday: 12.00-1.00; 4.00-5.00; 7-8.30pm

Pastoral Council News

The diocese of Cork and Ross held an information meeting on pastoral areas on Sunday 9th March for

- Priests
- Chairperson and Secretary of Pastoral Councils
- Chairperson of Parish Finance Committees

There will be sixteen Pastoral Areas and Ballineaspig will be in Pastoral Area 9 with Ballinora, Curraheen, Sacred Heart Parish and Wilton.

The next meeting will be on May 6th to discuss all aspects of Pastoral Areas.

Sympathy

We offer our sincere sympathy to **Margaret Harte-Barry**, The Manor, on the death of her mother, Pat McAllister.

God's Word

Readings for Sunday 23rd March

First Reading: Acts 10:34,37-43. Psalm 117;
Second Reading: Col.3:1-4 or 1 Cor 5:6-8.
Gospel: Jn 20:1-9.

NOTICE BOARD

Jubilee Bells Handbell Ringers

A group is currently being formed to play exclusively for LITURGICAL events, in association with our church choir. If you are interested in being part of the group, contact Paddy Killeen at 4888445, or Carmel O'Shea at 4544781.



Chrim Mass at the Cathedral

On Holy Thursday, 20th March at 10.00am. Parishioners are invited to attend.

RTÉ Radio 1's Medium Wave (MW) service will close permanently on Monday 24th March.. Religious services will now be broadcast on Longwave - LW252 - from 10.000am on Sunday mornings.



Baile'n Easpaig Gramophone Circle

Our monthly recital will take place on Wednesday next, 19th March at 3.00pm in the crypt, when Pat Lemasney will give the recital and glorious music is assured. Bí ann gan teip.

Divine Mercy Novena 2008

At Curraheen Church commencing 21st March at 2.30pm. and continuing at 11.30am for a further eight days. On Mercy Sunday, confessions 2.00-2.30 followed by Stations of the Cross, Divine Chaplet, Mass, Solemn Blessing of the Divine Image.,Veneration of First Class Relic of St. Faustina.

Our Lady of Fatima Rosary Prayer Group invites you to join them in Cork's St Patrick's Day Parade. The assembly point for those interested is Union Quay at 12.30pm.

Sunday's Well & District Flower & Garden Club

Norma of Nangle's Garden Centre will give a talk on shrubs and herbaceous borders, on Wednesday 19th March at 8.00pm in St. Vincent's Parish Centre. New members welcome.

Irish Night at Ardfallen Centre on Thursday 27th March, 9.00 to 11.30pm. €8 incl. supper. Donal Ring Ceili Band. PRO. Paddy O'Donovan. Entire proceeds to third world.

LENTEN CORNER

Sacred Space



Better late... ..

Beginning this final week of Lent we are invited to journey with Christ in prayer and thanksgiving.

The triumphant entry into Jerusalem, his betrayal, passion and death, the sacrifice of his life for us is the very essence of the great love Jesus has for all humankind. We are all in need of his mercy.

By our participation in the Holy Week ceremonies, our faith is renewed and we receive the grace, courage and confidence to journey on.

If we failed in any of our Lenten resolutions - begin again this week.

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