

# Ballineaspig Bulletin



CHURCH OF THE HOLY SPIRIT  
DENNEHY'S CROSS, CORK

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Second Sunday of Easter

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FR. TOM WRITES



## WE BELIEVE... ..

Each Sunday we stand to say our Creed together as a community of believers in the Risen Jesus. Often, as we rush through it some are unable to keep up and for others, the focus wavers so that by the time we come to the final paragraph attention may be dissipated. The loss is great. Easter time is a time for renewal of faith. It may be worthwhile to savour that final paragraph this weekend.

### WE BELIEVE IN

- **The Holy Spirit:** Easter is an opportunity to become alert to his gifts to us, wisdom, understanding, right judgment, courage, knowledge, reverence, wonder and awe in God's presence.
- **The Catholic Church:** Despite members' scandals and leadership failures, it is through the Church we receive so much, especially the Eucharist.
- **The Communion of Saints:** It is good to know that saints and sinners, living and dead, kith and kin, are the one family of God.
- **The Forgiveness of Sins:** God's forgiveness is unearned, is pure gift freely given in love to enable us to live at peace within ourselves and one another.
- **The Resurrection of the Body:** Having made his home within us, God is not going to abandon us at death.
- **Life Everlasting:** Life with God is our destiny forever.
- **Amen:** So be it. It is our shared cry of approval.

May our faith be nurtured each time we proclaim it together.

### TURKWELL



In order to finalise the fitting out of the Medical Centre in our twin parish in Turkwell, the Faith in Action Group will hold a coffee morning on Saturday 25th April in the Rendezvous Bar from 10.30 to 1.00pm. The parishioners of Dennehy's Cross have contributed so generously to this project and this is our final request for funds.

Should you be unable to attend, donations will be accepted in the parish office. Looking forward to seeing you all there for a 'cuppa'.

### PASTORAL COUNCIL

The nomination form for the election of the Pastoral Council accompanies this Bulletin.  
Please give it your attention.

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## Rest in Peace

The death took place on the 18th February of Mrs. Margaret O'Donoghue, Woodlands, College Road. She was the wife of the late Patrick O'Donoghue and mother of the late Ann. She is sadly missed by her family Brendan and Marian, her brothers Stephen and Peter, her sister Eileen and, of course, the grandchildren, nephews, nieces, in-laws, neighbours and friends. Margaret led an exceptional life being a nurse in England to the fighting men of the Second World War. She was renowned for her kindness and caring ability during what was a very trying time. When her nursing career came to an end, she returned home to Ireland and set up her own business. She was the first lady in the field of Real Estate and a successful one at that. She never lost her caring touch and was always available and attentive to the needs of others. She nursed her husband over a long period of illness before his death. She was a woman of initiative and determination and gave of herself unstintingly to the care of her family. May she rest in peace.

### SOUL 4 U ?

Prayer 4 Young Adults... Silence... Reflection...  
Trinity Gospel Choir... at SMA Hall, Wilton on Friday  
24th April, 7.30-9.30m.  
More info: Eileen 086 8135589

## NOTICES

### Pastoral Council

Meeting on Monday 20th April in the parish office at 8.15pm.



### Ballinaspaig Gramophone Circle

Monthly recital will take place on Wednesday next 22nd April at 3.00pm in the crypt of our church at Dennehy's Cross, and the guest presenter will be Maigréad O'Herlihy. Be advised - be there!

### A Lifeline for Troubled Marriages

'Retrouvaille Programme' will be held in Cork on 15th to 17th May for couples who would like to attend. Further information available on [www.retrouvaille.ie](http://www.retrouvaille.ie)

Presentation Sisters are celebrating the 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the bi-centenary of the death of **NANO NAGLE**. A Jubilee Mass of Thanksgiving will be held at St Finbarr's South Parish Church 3.00pm on April 26<sup>th</sup>. Chief Concelebrant: Bishop Buckley. All are welcome. Past Pupils urged to attend.

### Recovering Her Voice

A day celebrating women and womanhood in the Bible on Saturday 25th April at Frankfield/Grange Parish Centre from 10.00 to 4.00pm. presented by Emeritus Professor of Religious Studies, Mary T. Malone, Canada. Cost €10 (€20 incl. lunch). All welcome. For booking contact Fr. Sean O'Sullivan at 4357765 or email: [are@corkandross.org](mailto:are@corkandross.org)

**Wilton Gardens Residents' Association** meeting in the crypt on Tuesday 21st at 8.00pm. All welcome.

## THE REAL CHURCH

If ALL church buildings were destroyed, if all diocesan offices closed, and if all parishes became bankrupt, there would still be Church. At its deepest and simplest level Church is about the presence of the Risen Christ in the community of Believers. Meeting and coming to know Christ personally lies at the heart of the Church. Sharing our personal faith stories and building up communities is how we should really be spending our time and energy.

Many aspects of Church that we have known in this country may be slowly dying. What we need to pray for and accept is the deep renewal that the Holy Spirit brings. 'Without the Holy Spirit these are just dry bones. In the words of Pope John XXIII, we need to constantly ask for the Holy Spirit to come again "as by a new Pentecost."

- Tony Ashcroft

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\* A note of appreciation for the church flower team.  
\* They do an excellent job at all times, but especially  
\* this Easter the flowers are very beautiful and the  
\* choice of colour and arrangement added to our Cele-  
\* bration of Jesus' Resurrection. Thanks to all con-  
\* cerned.  
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\* - A parishioner  
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### A SMILE, FOR GOD'S SAKE



*An old Quaker farmer became upset with his cow after she kicked over the bucket several times. He held her firmly and hissed: "Thee knows, Blossom, that I am a Quaker and, therefore, cannot beat thee. Thee knows that I am a Quaker and, therefore, cannot swear at thee. But what thee doesn't know, Blossom, is that tomorrow... God help thee... I am selling thee to a Catholic."*

### REMINDER !

Completed Easter Crosswords due in by Sunday 26th April

### CONTACT DETAILS

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### God's Word

**Readings for Sunday 26th April**  
First Reading: Acts 3:13-15,17-19  
Psalm 4  
Second Reading: 1 Jn 2:1-5  
Gospel: Lk 24:35-48