

Ballineaspaig Bulletin



CHURCH OF THE HOLY SPIRIT
DENNEHY'S CROSS, CORK

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Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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God's Word

Readings for Sunday 28
June

First Reading
Wis 1:13-15,2:23-24

Psalm 29

Second Reading
Cor 8:7, 9, 13-15

Gospel
Mk 5:21-43

MASTER, DO YOU NOT CARE ?



News of further job losses in Cork evokes deep anxiety in many hearts. Those with jobs fear that they may lose them. The unemployed see every other job loss as lessening their own chances of being re-employed. For the young school leavers and their parents, this anxiety becomes a cancer that erodes confidence and self respect. It is a frightening situation. Many fear that we will be engulfed by the crisis. Followers of Christ could be forgiven for making their own of the anguished cry of the disciples in tomorrow's gospel. "Master, do You not care? We are going down!"

It seems strange that the disciples should turn to Jesus for help during a storm on the Sea of Galilee. After all, they were fishermen. They knew the angry waters and the gusting winds. Jesus was a landlubber, a tradesman from Nazareth with no touch of the sea in his veins. How could He help? Somehow, they had a glimpse of Him as Lord of the wind and the sea, as lord of all.

Today's tempest is one of powerful greed on one side with helplessness on the other. Who will calm this tempest? God will. He is not just a landlubber in the sea of economics. He is lord of all. He challenges us to call on Him, to have faith in Him, to live by that faith with boundless confidence in Him because He is our Father.

Fr. Tom Clancy

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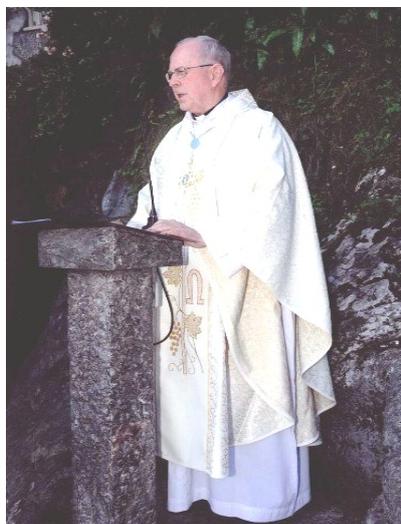
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CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR PARISH PRIEST !

During the Cork & Ross annual pilgrimage to Lourdes last week, Monsignor Kevin was installed as Honorary Chaplain to the Shrine of Our Lady, and was awarded a Medal of Honour.

Picture shows the Monsignor preaching at the grotto in Lourdes wearing his Medal and a set of Vestments presented to him by the Lourdes Executive.

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NOTICE BOARD



AREA MASSES

- Greenfields/Parkway - this Saturday 20th at 7.30pm on the Green.
- Wilton Gardens - Tuesday 23rd at 8.00pm in the Crypt.
- Woodlawn - Friday 26th at 7.00pm on the Green.

Peter's Pence

The annual collection will take place next Sunday 28th June at all Masses.



The garden of Miriam Cotter and Richard Kavanagh on the Curraheen Road in Bishopstown is open to the public on Sunday June 21st from 12 noon to 4pm in aid of the renovation fund for St. James Church in Ballinora. Signs from the Greyhound Stadium on the Ballincollig Bypass.

Mobile Phone Lessons for Beginners

At Bishopstown Senior Social Centre at 12 noon every Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday until 16th July. To reserve a place contact Roger Coughlan at 086-3866975 or Michael O'Connor at 087-2734887.

Irish Cancer Society wishes to thank parishioners for their support of our recent flag day.

PARKWAY/LEESDALE RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATIONS

Annual Sports Day on Sunday 28th June
at 2.30pm on the Green



FROM CHRISTMAS CARDS TO CLINIC - WORK BEGINS ON KALEMUNYANG DISPENSARY IN TURKWELL

On 10th June the builders went on to the site to start the work on the clinic so at long last things are moving. Already the foundations have been dug. Fr. Noonan will send us some photographs as the work progresses, so keep an eye on the church notice boards for updates during the summer. Once the clinic is complete it will be staffed by Lorumug Health Centre under the Diocese of Lodwar.

JUST A THOUGHT

Rebirth! The Joy of Forgiveness
Seeing beyond the hurt to the heart -
Understanding, loving, forgiving, healing,
Growing, living again, smiling again,
Sharing the living -
Happiness!



Bible Corner



A NEW CREATION

It is a common human tendency to claim to know or at least, to have met, the celebrity of the moment. Things were no different in Corinth in St. Paul's time. It seems that some oldies claimed to have known Jesus while he was on earth. Paul was quick to point out that "even if we did once know Christ in the flesh, that is not how we know him now."

Yesterday's religious experience is inadequate for today's living. Static friendship dies. To continue to be vibrant and life-giving friendship must be expressed, celebrated and enjoyed. So too, must be our friendship with God, which we call faith. It is a new creation, each year, each week, each day. Today's bond is a new gift. Yesterday's devotions may carry us along but to weather the storms of life, there must be renewed deep contact between us and with our God.

There is no quick panacea for the pain and confusion released by the Ryan report but St. Paul reassures us that Jesus died so that we should live no longer for ourselves but for Him and for one another.

As the Alleluia verse puts it

"May the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ
Enlighten the eyes of our mind, so that we can
see what hope his call holds for us."

Fr. Tom



CORPUS CHRISTI PROCESSION

In 1926 Bishop Coughlan of Cork and Ross gave permission to a group of laymen to organise a procession annually. He stated they could do so as long as the people would support it.

Eighty-three years have passed since that first procession and successive generations continue to remain faithful. For many it is a public expression of their devotion to the Blessed Sacrament and a seeking of God's blessing on the city, themselves and their loved ones.

Last Sunday thousands of people including a large group from the Polish community participated. They were followed by a group from the Indian community, many of whom wore their colourful traditional costumes. Both groups were greeted with applause at Daunt's Square.

In his sermon Monsignor Leonard O'Brien spoke of the duty of parents, especially by example of passing on the faith to their children. The beautiful voice of Fiona O'Reilly accompanied by the choir singing *Panus Angelicus* was wonderful.

At the conclusion of the ceremony, the words of St. Peter, who witnessed the transfiguration of Jesus on the mountain, came to mind:

"Lord, it is good for us to be here."

Arthur O'Callaghan