

# Ballineaspaig Bulletin



CHURCH OF THE HOLY SPIRIT  
DENNEHY'S CROSS, CORK

1st May, 2011

Second Sunday of Easter

No. 1097

## MASS TIMES

### Sunday

9.00, 10.30, 12.15  
Saturday Vigil 6.15pm

### Weekdays

9.00, 10.00

### Eve of Holydays

7.30pm

### Holydays

9.00, 10.30

## God's Word

Readings for Sunday 8th  
May.

First Reading  
Acts 2:14,22-33

Psalms 15

Second Reading  
1 Peter 1:17-21

Gospel  
Luke 24: 13-35

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## THE DEAN WRITES

### A FEW PERSONAL REFLECTIONS ON EAST- ER AND HOLY WEEK.



#### Holy Thursday:

A day of special significance for us priests. We committed ourselves anew to the pledges we made on our Ordination morning, but with a little less trepidation than on that occasion. But for us, and more especially for all parents and teachers, and for anybody trying to set the young, (and perhaps not so young), on the road that leads to fulfilment and closer union with Jesus, what a practical lesson Jesus gave us. For three whole years, He had done his best to teach and direct his apostles on this same road, and after all that, on this solemn night before He died, their only question was "who will get the first and most important places in his new kingdom?".

So, we should not be too disappointed if we don't get the immediate results we hope for. Then He gave a lesson they or us could never forget. He took a towel and basin of water and washed their feet. He wanted to explain that He, their leader and Messiah, had to finish up a failure in the eyes of the world to bring salvation, peace and happiness to all of us - no bands playing, no congratulations or speeches - but a painful and disgraceful death on a cross.

#### Good Friday:

The plaintive and haunting rendering by our choir at the children's Stations of the Cross - "were you there when they crucified my Lord?" - it said everything - I saw adults shed tears unashamedly.

#### Holy Saturday and Easter Vigil Mass:

The sight of a small child in his father's arms extending his arms full length as the choir and organist filled the Church with a powerful rendering of "Alleluia, Alleluia". No doubt the child had no realisation of what the occasion meant, but it was a moment of joy, so he clapped his little hands without inhibition and joined in the spirit of celebration "suffer little children to come unto me". So -

"Give me joy in my heart, keep me singing,  
Give me joy in my heart, I pray,  
Give me joy in my heart, keep me singing,  
Keep me singing till the break of day".

### A final appeal to parishioners to return your Trócaire boxes this weekend, if you have not already done so.

Trócaire has expressed sincere thanks for the generous support it has received so far this year. This support will allow the agency to continue its work with the world's poorest people.

Email: [holyspiritparish@eircom.net](mailto:holyspiritparish@eircom.net)

Website: [www.dennehyscrossparish.ie](http://www.dennehyscrossparish.ie)

## NOTICE BOARD

### First Friday

Next Friday 6th May is the First Friday of the month. Calls to the sick and housebound on usual days.

### Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament next Friday, 6th May from 10.30am to 7.30pm followed by evening Mass. Our intention this month is to pray for all children receiving their First Holy Communion. We pray for their families, guardians and teachers. During the month of May we ask our Blessed Mother Mary to watch over and protect them always.

### St. Joseph's Young Priests Society

The annual Mass will take place on Thursday 5th May at 8.00pm in the Crypt.

### Alzheimer's Tea Morning

This will be held on Thursday, 5th May, at our Parish Centre from 10.30am to 12 noon and will be hosted by The Friendship Club. Everybody welcome. Please come and support this very worthy cause.

### Cork Simon Community

On Sunday, 8th May, between 1pm and 5pm, Cork Simon Community will hold an Open Garden at Blarney Castle led by Adam Whitburn, head gardener. Donations at your generous discretion.

## Rest in Peace

We offer our sincere sympathy on the death of our parishioner, **Irene O'Sullivan**, Notre Dame, Laburnum Park, to her sons, John, George and Louis and daughter Colette.

Ar dheis Dé go raibh a hanam dílis.

### Eucharist - Food for a Priestly People

by

**Dr. Fainche Ryan**

At

**Commons Inn, Commons Road, Cork**

On

**Saturday, 7th May**

At

10.00am to 1.00pm

Cost: 20 Euro (including Lunch) 10 Euro (without lunch)

For booking please contact Renee Breslin at 021-4306640 or 087-6662919 on or before Wed. 4th May.

*A sincere thank-you to our priests and all who worked so hard to make the Easter Ceremonies, Keeping Watch in the Crypt, and Watch and Pray so meaningful.*

*A special thank-you to the children who participated in the Good Friday Stations of the Cross.*

*Also, a word of appreciation to those who assembled our Easter Garden and donated plants for it, as well as those who subscribed for the altar flowers which were arranged so beautifully.*

"O Mary we crown thee with blossoms today,  
Queen of the Angels and Queen of the May".

### Evangelisation: May '11

What does it mean to evangelise in today's Ireland? Jesus said 'go and make disciples of all nations,' but it can be something we feel unsure about in our own parish.

The next Synod of bishops in Rome will take the theme of Evangelisation and all dioceses are asked to participate in a consultation. The results of our conversations will be included by Bishop Buckley in the response of the Irish Bishops' Conference. This theme will help to focus on how we share the Good News of Jesus with one another and others in our communities, and call us to the heart of the mission of the Church.

Two discussion meetings on this theme will take place as follows:

**Monday 16<sup>th</sup> May 8.00-9.30pm The Crypt, Dennehy's Cross** (to the rear of the church).

**Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> May 8.00-9.30pm Clonakilty Parish Centre.**

All are welcome – and no previous experience or expertise is required. For further details please contact Anne Francis, [abfrancis@eircom.net](mailto:abfrancis@eircom.net), and 087-228-2134.

### REMINDER !

Completed Easter Crosswords due in by Sunday 8th May, please.

### WEEKEND PSALM

Easter 2 - Year A

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Give thanks to the Lord for he is good, for his love has no end.  
(Or)... Al - le - lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia.

Patrick Killeen