

# Ballineaspig Bulletin



CHURCH OF THE HOLY SPIRIT  
DENNEHY'S CROSS, CORK

13th November, 2011

Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

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## MASS TIMES

### Sunday

9.00, 10.30, 12.15  
Saturday Vigil 6.15pm

### Weekdays

9.00, 10.00

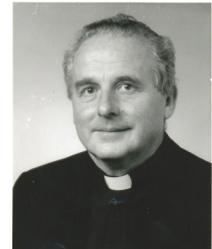
### Eve of Holydays

7.30pm

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9.00, 10.30 &  
7.30pm

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HEREAFTER



For me, one of the great joys of Cemetery Day in November, is the joy of meeting young couples with a child who has arrived since I last met them or grandparents who update me on the increase in their flock. New life nurtures hope in all our hearts, especially in the midst of death. The cycle of life can reassure us of the wonder of God's plan for the human family.

## God's Word

Readings for Sunday  
20th November.

First Reading:  
Ezek 34: 11-12, 15-17

Psalms: 22

Second Reading:  
1 Cor 15:20-26, 28

Gospel:  
Mt 25:31-46

But as the years go by, there is need for an even more intimate reassurance of God's plan for each of us personally. Inner peace about death and after-life, needs faith and hope in our destiny of living in the heart of God forever. This is what we mean by resurrection. Our faith in personal resurrection is underpinned by the life and teaching of Jesus and by his death and resurrection. Indeed, St. Paul wrote that if Jesus is not risen, all our religious practices are useless. Before any gospel was written, Paul wrote:

*We want you to be quite certain, brothers, about those who have died, to make sure that you do not grieve about them, like the other people who have no hope. We believe that Jesus died and rose again, and that it will be the same for those who have died in Jesus: God will bring them with him. We can tell you this from the Lord's own teaching".*

In his lifetime, Jesus promised that he was going to prepare a place for each of us in the heart of God. He underwrote that promise by his life of service, culminating in his passion, death and resurrection. We can either accept or reject his promise.

To be able to believe it, is itself a gift from God. We need to nurture such faith by how we live. Like all precious living things, this faith needs to be expressed and nurtured. Like love, unexpressed faith withers away. If we hope to live with Jesus in heaven, a good preparation is to imitate his lifestyle now. November is a good time to renew our faith and lifestyle.

Fr. Tom.

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## NOTICE BOARD

### Bulletins to Homes:

Bulletins will be delivered to all homes in the parish next weekend.

### Pastoral Council:

Next meeting on Monday, 14th November at 8.15pm in the Parish Centre.

### Cork Marriage Counselling Centre:

The annual collection will take place at all Masses next weekend. CMCC provides a range of services including pre-marriage courses, parenting teenagers, parents in marital breakdown, marriage - the early years. The annual collection helps to fund these services.

### Age Action Ireland:

Age Action has announced that there is now a local phone number, 021-4536554, which older people can call to arrange to have jobs done around their homes free of charge.

Age Action's Care & Repair service uses a pool of trustworthy volunteer handypersons to carry out odd-jobs and DIY work for older people who find it difficult to do these jobs themselves. Some of the jobs that our volunteers can do include changing light bulbs, minor painting and decorating, hanging curtains, minor gardening, minor carpentry and installing smoke alarms. The service is free; clients only pay for the materials used.

For bigger jobs that are beyond the scope of the volunteers, Age Action maintains a register of reliable and honest tradespersons whose contact details can be provided. As well as all of the main trades such as plumbers, electricians, builders etc. they have details for people who service boilers, clean chimneys, clean gutters and many other useful services. Regular social visits to older people can also be arranged. For further information phone (021) 4536554 or email: [ageactioncork@ageaction.ie](mailto:ageactioncork@ageaction.ie).

### Christmas Open House 2011:

Christmas Open House at D.J. Murphy's Bride Valley Cottage, Killumney, Co. Cork in aid of Marymount Hospice & Alzheimers Branch, Clonakilty.

November 17th & 18th - 6pm to 10pm  
November 19th & 20th - 12 Noon to 8pm  
November 24th & 25th - 6pm to 10pm  
November 26th & 27th - 12 Noon to 8pm.

Admission: €10.00 including mulled wine, mince pies, tea/coffee. Christmas Shop open. All welcome. For further queries contact (023)8842260.

## REST IN PEACE

We offer our sincere sympathy on the death of our parishioners:

**Paul Herlihy**, Bishopstown and Glounthaune, to his wife Colette and children, Rian, Maeve and Sean.

**Ita Floyd**, Bishopscourt Road, to her sons, Tony, Brendan and Peter and daughter, Phil (Walsh).

May they rest in peace.

### Bible Corner



#### Living out our Gifts:

This weekend's Old Testament reading may seem very inappropriate to many of its hearers. Its origin was deeply influenced by the culture of its time, an ancient culture that saw women's role as completely in the home. Its purpose was to pay tribute to the key role in homemaking. It highlights one particular talent, one life-calling lived out to its full potential with generous concern for the poor in the midst of many responsibilities.

The reading is chosen this weekend as a preliminary to the Gospel parable where Jesus sets out starkly the importance of utilizing every gift, talent and opportunity we have been given, to realize our full potential for the good of the whole community.

"Well done, good and faithful servant;  
You have shown that you can be fruitful in small things,  
I will trust you with greater."

Fr. Tom.

### Ballincollig/Bishopstown & District Cardiac Support:

**Next Meeting:** Monday 14th November, 2011

**Venue:** Bishopstown Library, Wilton, Cork.

**Topic:** Relaxation/Stress Management.

**Time:** 11.00am to 1.00pm.

Further information contact: Ballincollig Health Centre, Phone: (021)4872626 9am to 1pm (Monday to Friday)

### Weekend Psalm:

