

# Ballineaspig Bulletin



CHURCH OF THE HOLY SPIRIT  
DENNEHY'S CROSS, CORK

15th January, 2012

Second 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

### Holydays

9.00, 10.30 &

7.30pm

## OUR PARISH PRIEST WRITES:

### “FACING THE YEAR WITH GOD AND EACH OTHER”



Each New Year is like the beginning of a new chapter in a book or a new mystery journey. We face the future with questions, hopes, new ideas and maybe new resolutions. This is the 1st bulletin of 2012 going into the homes of our community on the 3rd Sunday of each month. We are halfway through January and everyone is remarking on the difference of the weather this time last year and this year. The birds are heralding the arrival of spring and the evenings are getting brighter. Plans are being made, uncertainty for some, security and forward planning for others.

Maybe this year we might make a few resolutions. (1) Appreciate yourself and your God given gifts and ability. God believes in you. He created you. Do not compare yourself to anyone else. Believe in yourself as a special and unique person in God's Divine Plan. Like flowers in a garden, each one is different and special. (2) Never underestimate your potential and do not say "I can't". St. Paul said "I can do all things through Him who strengthens me". (3) Put the Golden Rule into practice "treat others as you would like them to treat you". Be a good listener, without interruption, giving advice or judging. People feel less lonely and alone when someone is prepared to be a good listener. (4) Each year the 1st day of January is World Day for Peace. Light a candle each day for peace, hope and justice in our community, city, country and world. Say the prayer, "Lord make me a Channel of your Peace". Jesus needs you to continue His work on earth. "Christ has no body now but yours, no hands, no feet, no eyes, but yours". Ask the Lord to let his peace and love come from you to others including your friends. Friendships grow as people share. Jesus wants you to be his friend. Share time with Jesus as you talk to Him, read the Bible, maybe a chapter each day, especially the New Testament. Put yourself into the events as you reflect on what He did and how He lived. Jesus said "make your home in me as I make mine in you". Through Holy Communion He lives in us. Take time to realise the presence of Jesus in yourself.

Facing this year, may God the Father bless you, may Jesus shine through you as you give hope to others and may the Holy Spirit guide you in decisions you make. May you feel the prayers of Mary our Blessed Mother in your daily life.

## God's Word

Readings for Sunday  
22nd January.

First Reading:  
Jon 3: 1-5, 10

Psalms: 24

Second Reading:  
1 Cor 7:29-31

Gospel:  
Mk 1: 14-20

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## NOTICE BOARD

### The Friendship Club:

We will reopen next Monday, 16th January at 2.30pm and look forward to meeting all our members at the Parish Centre. New members most welcome.

### Ballineaspaig Gramophone Circle:

The Ballineaspaig Gramophone Circle will meet on Wednesday January 18th at 2.30pm in the Parish Centre, next to Church, when Phil Giltinan will give the recital. Do come and join us for great music. **Please note new venue.**

### Bishopstown I.C.A.

Meeting every Thursday evening at 8.00pm in the S.M.A. Community Hall, Wilton. New members are always welcome, so please do come along and join us.

### Bishopstown Community Association:

The Bishopstown Community Association (supported by the Bishopstown Lions Club) Annual Community Dinner will be held this year in McCarthy's Bar & Bistro on Model Farm Road on Wed. 8th Feb. @ 7.30pm. Tickets €25. Contact Wilton Park House at 4543757.

### Bishopstown Meal on Wheels:

Bishopstown Meals on Wheels urgently needs at least 3 cooks to fill the gaps that are appearing on our rotas. The commitment is 2-3 hours one morning every 3rd week. Please see if you can spare the time for this worthy cause. For further details contact: wiltonparhouse@gmail.com or phone no: 086/3183950. .

## BIBLE CORNER

### LISTEN OR LOSE OUT



Most love stories begin with an invitation. Many lifelong friendships begin with an invitation to a dance, a film, a party or even to a walk home. Friendship thrives on invitation and response.

Things are the same with God. Some of His invitations were very dramatic. Samuel, who became a great Jewish leader, received his early invitation from God while he was dozing in the sanctuary. Happy dreams! The apostle Andrew was invited to come and see when he asked the Lord where He lived. In turn, it was through Andrew Christ called Peter. The invitations came in different ways, but the response was the same. It was total.

Listening to the responses of Samuel, Andrew and Peter in this weekend's readings, may alert us to God's invitations in our own lives and to how our responses nurture the growth of friendship with Him.

Fr. Tom.

## REST IN PEACE

We offer our sincere sympathy on the death of our parishioner, **Máirín O'Murchu**, St. Clares Ave. to her sons and daughters, Diarmuid, Niall, Barra, Maoileoin, Niamh, Rónán and Conall.

Ar dheis Dé go raibh a hanam dílis.

## Reminder !

The 2012 Collection Envelopes are available in the Parish Office from 9.30am to 12 noon Monday to Friday.

## CHRISTMAS CROSSWORD

by Portia

Despite some complaints about this year's crossword being difficult (!!) a large number of correct entries were submitted. The winners are:

**Mary Murphy**, Wilton Road.  
**Liam Killeen**, Wilton Gardens.

Thank you and a Happy New Year to you all. "Portia"



## Weekend Psalm:

Second Sunday in ordinary time - Year A

Patrick Killeen



Here I am, Lord! I come to do your will.