

Ballineaspaig Bulletin



CHURCH OF THE HOLY SPIRIT
DENNEHY'S CROSS, CORK

26th February, 2012

First Sunday of Lent

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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

50th International Eucharistic Congress

(DUBLIN - 10th to 17th JUNE, 2012)

"Congress Prayer"

Lord, Jesus, you were sent by the Father to gather together those who are scattered. You came among us, doing good and bringing healing, announcing the Word of salvation and giving the Bread which lasts forever. Be our companion on life's pilgrim way.



God's Word

Readings for Sunday
4th March.

First Reading:

Gen 22: 1-2, 9-13, 15-18

Psalms: 115

Second Reading:

Rom 8:31-34

Gospel:

Mk 9:2-10

May your Holy Spirit inflame our hearts, enliven our hope and open our minds, so that together with our sisters and brothers in faith we may recognize you in the Scriptures and in the breaking of bread.

May your Holy Spirit transform us into one body and lead us to walk humbly on earth, in justice and love, as witnesses of your resurrection. In communion with Mary, who you gave to us as our Mother, at the foot of the cross, through you, may all praise, honour and blessing be to the Father in the Holy Spirit and in the Church, now and forever. Amen.

How do I book for the Eucharistic Congress?

Booking for the Eucharistic Congress has to be done on-line at:

<http://www.iec2012.ie/registration> or call 01 2349900/01 2981122

The cost of accommodation is not included! Costs are as follows:

- * 7 days €95 - 10th to 17th June.
- * 3 days €60 (any 3 consecutive days) - 10th to 16th June.
- * Single day tickets €30. concession €28.
- * Family tickets are available for 2 adults and up to 4 children.
- * 3 day family ticket €285 or single day €95.

On-line booking will be available until 9th May. For those booking the 7 or 3 day option, you can also book a ticket for the closing ceremonies which begin at 2pm with Mass at 3pm in Croke Park for an additional €10.00.

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NOTICE BOARD

First Friday:

Next Friday, 2nd March, is the First Friday of the month. Calls to the sick and housebound on the usual days.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament:

Next Friday, 2nd March, from 10.30am to 7.30pm followed by Mass.

St. Joseph's Young Priests Society:

Monthly meeting next Thursday, 1st March, at 3.00pm in the Parish Centre.

St. Vincent de Paul:

The monthly collection will take place at all Masses next weekend, 3rd/4th March.

Cork Family Carer Information Day:

On the 6th March, 2012 from 11am to 2pm at the Imperial Hotel, South Mall, Cork. Various organisations and groups will attend on the day to provide accurate information and answer any questions. For further information contact: Linda McKernan, (021) 4302310 or Peter Cox (021) 4806397.

Dyslexia Association:

An Information Meeting on Exam Accommodations for Junior and Leaving Cert. Students with Dyslexia will be held in the Bishopstown Community School on Monday 27th Feb. at 7.45pm. Guest Speaker is Eithne Uí Chonaill, Educational Psychologist. Admission €10.00.

World Day of Prayer:

Prepared by the Women of Malaysia on Friday 2nd March at St. Joseph's Church, S.M.A. Wilton at 11am. All welcome.



Bon Secours Exhibition:

The Sisters of the Bon Secours are celebrating the 150th anniversary of their arrival in Ireland with an exhibition at Cork Public Museum in the Mardyke which is free and open to the public, Monday to Friday from 11am to 5pm and Saturday 11am to 4pm.

Youth Event:

At St. Mary's, Pope's Quay on Saturday 3rd March from 7pm to 10pm. Why not join us for an evening of prayer, music and reconciliation. This event is an evening run by young people for young people. Open to 16-35yrs.

Weekend Psalm

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Lord of Justice and truth, give us the courage to stand up for what we know to be right. Give us the strength of your Spirit that we may be proud to profess our faith in your Son.

Bible Corner

A Rainbow Covenant



Love is the life-giving core of our daily routine. Without it, even achievement and success pale into irrelevance. With it, even the heaviest burden can be carried. Yet, the paradox is that we often take love for granted or ignore it in the ordinary whirlwind of daily living. We need reminders to keep our appreciation alive.

For the Hebrews, one such reminder of God's loving goodness was the rainbow. To be a rainbow, the ordinary dark cloud needs to receive the rays of sun at a particular angle, breaking the white light into its seven constituent colours as it is reflected back to all who look at it.

For the Hebrews, God made an enduring promise, a covenant, to love them always. This love lit up the dark clouds of their history as well as their joys. This weekend the First Reading highlights that we are rainbow people, a covenanted people, a people loved by God. When this love is reflected outwards, there is a rainbow of joy. When love is merely self-centred, there is only the darkness of despair. To appreciate a rainbow, one must face it. Lent is a reminder to face our God. Let us not turn our back on the opportunity.

Fr. Tom.

"A BIG THANK YOU"

We wish to extend our sincere thanks to all who contributed so generously to the Crib Collection, which amounted to €700.00.

St. Vincent de Paul