

Ballineaspaig Bulletin



CHURCH OF THE HOLY SPIRIT
DENNEHY'S CROSS, CORK

6th May, 2012

Fifth Sunday of Easter

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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



J.M.J. + F.C.C.

Poor Clare Colettine Monastery,
College Road,
Cork.

PRAISED BE JESUS CHRIST!

ONE HUMBLE PRAYER SAVED A CITY

"Praised be Jesus Christ"

Greetings from College Road! We hope this Easter season is a time of joy and hope for you. Jesus is with us and all will be well! He is with us in a unique way in the Holy Eucharist and we thank Him with all our hearts for this. As we here in Ireland prepare for the Eucharistic Congress in Dublin in June, we would like to share with you about St. Clare's love of the Eucharist.

While St. Clare was seriously ill (she was confined to bed for many years), soldiers attacked the monastery and all the sisters were really terrified. St. Clare feared for the safety of her sisters and asked for the Blessed Sacrament to be brought to her. Throwing herself on the ground in humble prayer, she begged: "Lord, look upon these servants of yours, because I cannot protect them". A voice was heard coming from the Blessed Sacrament, **"I will always defend you"**.

When Assisi was in great danger, Clare said to her sisters: "We have received many benefits from this city and I know we should pray that God will protect it". She prayed, saying: "Lord, please defend the city as well". The same voice resounded and said, "The city will endure many dangers, but it will be defended". The soldiers left in such a way that they did not do any harm or damage.

It was St. Clare's deep trust and faith in Jesus that inspired her prayer. Even though His Presence in the Eucharist is hidden and silent, she believed in His love, care and awesome power to save them from disaster. May we too turn to Jesus whatever our difficulties might be and we will experience His care for us also.

St. Clare, pray for us, that we too may always turn with great faith to Jesus and trust in Him who is really present in the Eucharist. May we sincerely believe that He is always taking care of us. Amen.

You are in our prayers all the time. God bless you.

Sr. Colette Marie.

God's Word

Readings for Sunday
13th May, 2012

First Reading:
Acts 10:25-26,34-
35,44-48.

Psalm: 97

Second Reading:
1 Jn 4:7-10

Gospel:
Jn 15: 9-17

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NOTICE BOARD:

Pastoral Services:

The annual collection will take place at all Masses next weekend 12th/13th May.

Liturgy Group:

The next meeting will be held on Tuesday, 8th May at 7.30pm in the Parish Centre.

Calling all Exam Students:

"Exam time is here". You are invited to a special time of prayer at St. Francis Church, Liberty Street, Cork on Wednesday, 9th May at 7.30pm. Everybody welcome. For further information contact Sr. Mary Scanlan at 087-2842819.

Alzheimer Society of Ireland - Cork Branch:

The Saturday club will meet on Sat. 12th May at Bessboro Day Care Centre from 2pm to 4pm. There will be "Live music with Finbar" and light refreshments will be provided. Free admission. All welcome. Contact: 021 4972504.

Le Petit Dejeuner Francais:

Bishopstown Community School Parents Association, together with the Transition Year Students, are hosting a French Breakfast & Book Sale in Bishopstown Community School Library on Fri. 11th May at 11.00am. All proceeds will be divided between The Bishopstown Teenage Creative Group (Bishopstown Library) and the School Library. ALL WELCOME - BRING A FRIEND OR TWO.

EASTER CROSSWORD SOLUTIONS

Portia wishes to thank all her crossword followers who sent in so many entries. From these we drew:

The Garde Family, Orchard Road.

Cora Redmond, Laburnum Lawn

For a prize.



Weekend
Psalm:

Easter 5 - Year 8

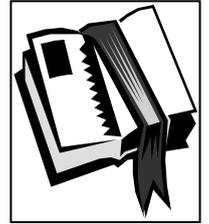


IN SYMPATHY

We offer our sincere sympathy to the family and friends of **Betty Kirby**, London, (late of Liam Lynch Park), who died recently.

May she rest in peace.

BIBLE CORNER



SAFE PASSAGE

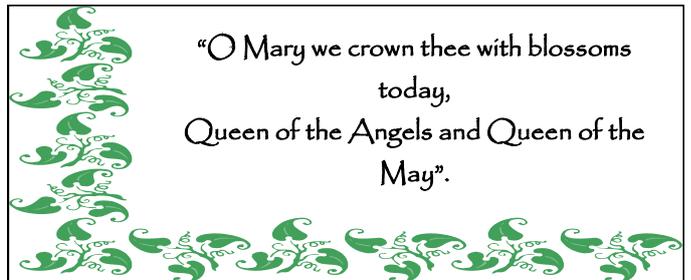
In business as well as in friendship, an introduction is often a key moment. An influential patron or a protective supporter can be even more crucial. Saul was lucky to find one. His miraculous conversion was not enough to convince those whom he had previously persecuted that he could be trusted. Throughout history the poacher turned gamekeeper phenomenon has always aroused suspicion, not least in our own country.

So Saul needed the well respected Barnabas not only to introduce him to the key players, but to watch his back when one faction of the Jews planned to execute him. We might have had no St. Paul if Barnabas and friends had not arranged a safe passage for him to Tarsus where he holed up until better days arrived.

This weekend's first reading has an almost contemporary ring to it.

Fr. Tom

Rosary continues for the month of May at the Grotto, Curraheen at 9pm nightly. Please join us.



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