

# Ballineaspaig Bulletin



CHURCH OF THE HOLY SPIRIT  
DENNEHY'S CROSS, CORK

24th February, 2013

Second Sunday of Lent

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## MASS TIMES

### Saturday Vigil:

6.15pm

### Sunday:

9.00, 10.30 &

12.15pm

### Weekdays

9.00, 10.00 am

### Holydays

9.00, 10.30 &

7.30pm

## God's Word

Readings for Sunday 3rd

March, 2013

### First Reading:

Ex 3: 1-8, 13-15

Psalm: 102

### Second Reading:

1 Cor 10: 1-6, 10-12

### Gospel:

Luke 13: 1-9

## "THE TRANSFIGURATION"

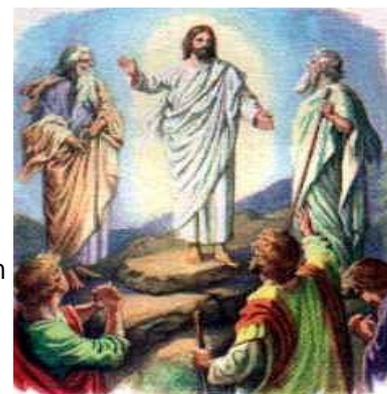
On Mount Tabor, Peter, John and James were blessed to see the transfigured Lord with their own eyes. It was an extraordinary moment of revelation. The clothing of Jesus became brilliant as lightning as He spoke with Moses and Elijah, two of the great Prophets from the Old Testament. For

a moment the Apostles experienced ahead of time something that will constitute the happiness of paradise. Peter, the first Pope vividly recalled the event - "We were eyewitnesses of His majesty when He received honour and glory from God the Father who declared "This is my beloved Son with whom I am well pleased" (2 Peter 1-16-18).

While on earth, no one lives on "Tabor". Human existence is a journey of faith and as such goes forward more in darkness than in full light, with moments of obscurity and even moments of profound darkness. While we are here, our relationship with God develops more with listening than with seeing.

The Transfiguration gives us a foretaste of Christ's glorious coming, when He will change our lowly body to be like His glorious body. It also recalls that "It is through many persecutions that we must enter the kingdom of God" (St. Augustine). Christ's whole life was lived under the sign of persecution. His followers share it with him.

From the beginning the followers of Jesus have endured persecution. Saint Stephen was the first martyr, followed by countless others down through the centuries. "Open Doors" a non denominational Christian group, have reported that there are over sixty five countries where Christians are persecuted. As we journey through Lent, we remember in our prayers all who are prevented from worshipping God.



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# NOTICE BOARD

## First Friday:

Next Friday, 1st March, 2013 is the First Friday of the month. Calls to the sick and housebound on the usual days.

## Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament:

Next Friday, 1st March, 2013 from 10.30am to 7.30pm followed by Mass.

## St. Vincent de Paul:

The monthly collection will take place at all Masses next weekend 2nd/3rd March.

## Trócaire Boxes:

Trócaire Boxes are now available in the Church. Please help to make a difference this Lent. The money you donate, however small, will support some of the poorest communities in the world. Your euro goes a long way to help!

## "The Gospel of St. Luke" - An Introduction

Scripture Series at the Sacred Heart Centre, Western Road, Cork on "**The Gospel of Luke: An Introduction**" by Fr. Charles Conroy MSC from 7.30pm to 9.00pm on Feb. 26th, March 5th, 12th and 19th. Please bring your Bible. Time for discussion after the talk. Suggested donation for Series €20 (€10 Seniors/Students). All welcome.

## Dyslexia Association of Ireland:

Cork Branch presents an Information Meeting on **Supporting Students with Dyslexia in Higher and Further Education** at Bishopstown Community School on Mon, 25th February, 2013 at 7.30pm. Guest Speaker: Ms. Lorraine Gallagher of AHEAD. Teachers, parents, students are all welcome. Admission €10.00.

## Lough Flower and Garden Club:

Will host a demonstration by Beatrice Hartog and Sandra Jackson on Tues. next 26th February at 7.45pm in the SMA Hall, Wilton. All welcome.

## Lost & Found:

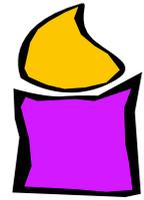
Bracelet found on Sunday, 17th February in the Wilton Gardens area. Please contact (086) 2692461.



Congratulations to our Parishioner, Denis Minihane, who was among the winners at the recent AIB Photojournalism Awards. Denis's eye-catching photograph entitled "Nord-Man Fir" was hailed by judges as "top quality photography"

## LENTEN CORNER

### Sacred Space



Prayer, penance and almsgiving are the cornerstones of our Lenten observances. As well as almsgiving, think about 'Time-Giving' - call to a neighbour living alone, offer to take someone shopping, visit a sick person, write a letter to a family member living abroad. This week put a little clock in your 'Sacred Space' symbolising the giving of your time.

We pray: "Teach us Lord to serve you as you deserve, to give and not to count the cost."

## Fairtrade Fortnight



Fairtrade Fortnight starts this weekend and continues until March 10<sup>th</sup>. It's a reminder to continue to buy fairly traded products, and perhaps add one or two more Fairtrade-marked products to your shopping list.

The range of Fairtrade-certified products is growing every year, and as a result greater numbers of small producers in less-developed countries, from Belize to Uzbekistan, are enabled to compete for markets, maintain their livelihoods and improve living conditions in their communities.

Cosmetics are among the most recent products to achieve the Fairtrade mark. Ingredients like shea butter, cocoa butter, brazil nut oil, cocoa butter, and cotton seed extract are ingredients in skincare products for babies and adults. As yet these products are only slowly being stocked by retailers, so be sure to ask for Fairtrade when you are buying.

**Fairtrade Competition:** Answer the following question, and post your entry, with your name and contact details, in the competition box on the altar rails before March 10<sup>th</sup>. First correct entry out of the box will win a Fairtrade shopping bag of Fairtrade products:

**In what year did our parish become a Fairtrade Parish?**

*Faith in Action Group*

## Weekend Psalm:

3rd Sunday in ordinary time - A

Patrick Killeen

