

Ballineaspaig Bulletin



CHURCH OF THE HOLY SPIRIT
DENNEHY'S CROSS, CORK

3rd March, 2013

Third Sunday of Lent

No: 1169

MASS TIMES

Saturday Vigil:

6.15pm

Sunday:

9.00, 10.30 &

12.15pm

Weekdays

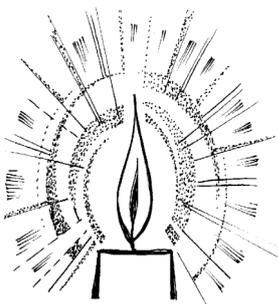
9.00, 10.00 am

Holydays

9.00, 10.30 &

7.30pm

PRAYER



There are times when, like Jesus, we need to go away into the desert - into a quiet, desolate place - to investigate the state of our prayer by looking seriously and honestly at the state of our life. Lent is one of those times.

And so I invite you to go to wherever your desert is and reflect on some questions about prayer. Then decide what you will do for yourself this Lent to return to the Lord in prayer, to re-treat yourself to renewed prayerfulness.

* Do I live at such a rapid pace that I have no time for reflection on what is happening in my life? No time for stillness?

* As a parent, do I pray *with* my children? Are there ways I can help my family grow in prayer? Do my children ever see me pray apart from mealtime or bedtime?

* Have I ever taken time to think about who God is for me? What is my relationship with God? Has it changed over the years?

* Can I spend some time each week reflecting on the Scriptures?

* Are there ways I can enter more fully into prayer of the parish at Sunday Mass - such as reflecting on the readings, participating more in singing, getting to Mass on time, listening more carefully to the words we pray together?

(Looking Back - taken from Bulletin no: 26 - Second Sunday of Lent - 23rd Feb. 1986)

Please take a copy of the Bulletin home
or give it to a friend or neighbour

God's Word

Readings for Sunday

10th March, 2013

First Reading:

Jos 5: 9-12

Psalm: 33

Second Reading:

2 Cor 5: 17-21

Gospel:

Luke 15: 1-3, 11-32

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NOTICE BOARD

St. Joseph's Young Priests Society:

Monthly meeting will be held on Thursday, 7th March at 3.00pm in the Parish Centre.

Irish Bishops Commissions:

The annual collection will take place at all Masses next weekend, 9th/10th March.

Beginning Experience:

Beginning Experience is a specially designed programme which gives widowed, separated and divorced people help and support to deal with the grief process and to discover for themselves that merely "existing" in life can be transformed into "living" a new life, though a different one. The next weekend is being held in Ennismore Retreat Centre, Cork from Friday April 12th to Sunday April 14th, 2013. For further information contact (087) 9886480 or email: beginningexperiencecork@gmail.com

"Thank You" from Gardaí

The Bishopstown Community Gardaí would like to thank all those who supported their Pancake Day on the 12th February in the SMA Hall in Wilton which raised €2,147 for the Cork City Hospitals Children's Club. Winners of the raffle notified.

Arthritis Ireland: Get Motivated!

Why not join our feel good *Walking Group* catering for all abilities. Currently meeting every *Tuesday at 10.30am* at the Hawthorn Bar, The Lough. Contact Pauline at (086) 3353170.

The Irish Catholic:

The February 28th edition of The Irish Catholic is a bumper souvenir issue dedicated to Pope Benedict XVI with features on all aspects of the Pope's life, teaching and writings, along with comment and analysis of his pontificate.

Alzheimer Society of Ireland - Cork Branch:

The next meeting of the Saturday Club will take place on Saturday, 9th March, 2013 from 2.00pm to 4.00pm at Bessboro Day Care Centre. We are delighted to welcome back Piano Music by Mr. John Gibson. Light refreshments provided. Free admission. All welcome. Contact 4972504.

Augustinian Faith Formation:

"Jesus Then and Now", "Discipleship Then and Now" and "From Generation to Generation" - Dates Saturdays March 9th, 16th, 23rd. Time: 10.00am to 12.30pm. Location: St. Augustine's, Washington Street, Cork. All welcome.

The Coeliac Society of Ireland - Cork Support Group:

Meeting on Tuesday, 5th March, 2013 in the SMA Centre, Wilton at 8.00pm. Topic: bread making demo and a search for volunteers. €4 entrance fee with refreshments provided. All welcome. Contact (087) 2817416

THOUGHT FOR THE DAY:

The happiest people don't necessarily have the best of everything - they just make the most of everything that comes their way!!

Weekend Psalm:

Seventh Sunday in ordinary time A

Patrick Killeen



Rest in Peace

We offer our sincere sympathy to the families, relatives and friends of the following parishioners who died recently.

Stephen Buckley, Farranlea Park & Robin Hill.
Humphrey O'Brien, Rossbrook Model Farm Road

In Sympathy

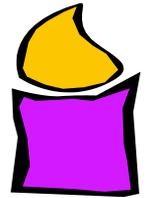
We offer our sincere sympathy to **Eileen Coughlan**, Bishopstown Ave., West on the death of her son, John Coughlan (Dublin).

May they rest in peace.

LENTEN CORNER

Sacred Space

Fellow Travellers



The Way of the Cross depicts the final days of the passion and death of Jesus.

Reflecting and meditating on the Stations is a reminder to us of the ultimate sacrifice of love. This Lent we might travel that journey with Him and bring with us in prayer somebody we know who is terminally ill.

This week we will add a cross to our Sacred Space.

"We adore you O Christ, and we praise you,
because by your Holy Cross you have
redeemed the world."

Trócaire

This year Trócaire, The Irish Catholic Church's Agency for Overseas Development, is reflecting on forty years of solidarity with the poorest and most vulnerable people across the world. Your unfaltering support, particularly during Lent and times of humanitarian crises continues to make a genuine difference to countless lives across the developing world. Over forty years, 150 million euros has been raised through the Trócaire box. I wish to acknowledge the contribution made by all involved in Parishes who have counted, bagged and lodged monies during this period. To this end, I would like to invite you to celebrate, with **our Bishop**, a **Mass of Thanksgiving and Prayer** for beneficiaries, supporters, partner organisations, volunteers and staff of Trócaire. This Mass will take place on **Wednesday, 20th March, 2013 at 7.30pm in the Church of the Assumption in Ballyphehane.**

Fr. Michael Murphy,

Diocesan Representative for Trócaire.