

# Ballineaspaig Bulletin



CHURCH OF THE HOLY SPIRIT  
DENNEHY'S CROSS, CORK

5th May, 2013

Sixth Sunday of Easter

No: 1177

## 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

## POPE FRANCIS - PAPAL MOTTO

### “LOWLY, YET CHOSEN”

Since his election, Pope Francis, from the very first moment in which he appeared before the people of God, gave visible witness to his simplicity, humility, his pastoral experience and his spiritual depth.

What do we know about the man chosen to become the 266th successor to the Chair of St. Peter and head of an estimated 1.2 billion members of the Catholic Church? The first Pope to come from Argentina, the first Jesuit and the first to take the name of Francis.



Jorge Mario Bergoglio was born in Buenos Aires, Argentina in December 1936 to Italian immigrant parents, one of five children. A gifted intelligent student, he became gravely ill with severe pneumonia when he was a young man, resulting in part of his right lung being removed. One year later in 1958, he entered the novitiate of “The Society of Jesus” and was ordained a Priest in December, 1969.

During the mid 1970's, a brutal war was waged by the military dictatorship in Argentina against its enemies. It was an horrific and dreadful time for the people. An estimated 30,000 people were killed, not just guerrillas, but Journalists, Professors, Trade Unionists, Priests and Seminarians.

One story concerns a man known to Fr. Bergoglio. The man was wanted by the military. He was Jewish. Fr. Bergoglio dressed him in clerical attire, gave him his own identity documents and helped him cross the frontier into Uruguay. If the man had been discovered, the Priest would have been shot. It is widely acknowledged that he continued to work behind the scenes to protect victims of the military regime. Losing the Falklands War in 1982 signalled the collapse of the brutal military regime in Argentina.

For his entire life, Fr. Bergoglio, now Pope Francis, has been a true champion for the poor and the disadvantaged. His lifestyle reflects the vow of poverty he embraces. A frequent visitor to the slum areas of Buenos Aires, he is always welcomed and respected as a true friend of the poor. Shortly after being made Cardinal by Pope John Paul II, he visited a Hospice caring for Aids victims. It was Holy Thursday and he washed and kissed the feet of twelve Aids patients.

Irish Jesuit, Fr. James Kelly, lived with our new Pontiff in Buenos Aires for several years. He remembers him as a deeply spiritual Priest, very concerned with the faith dimension in peoples' lives, eager to see people live their faith and go to Church. Pope Francis's election heralds the dawn of a new era for the Church. He needs our prayers and support as he encounters the challenges ahead.

*Arthur O'Callaghan*

## God's Word

Readings for Sunday  
12th May, 2013

First Reading:

Acts 1:1-11

Psalms: 46

Second Reading:

Eph 1: 17-23

Gospel:

Lk 24: 46-53

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## NOTICE BOARD

### Pastoral Services:

The annual collection will take place at all Masses next weekend 11th/12th May.

### Rosary - month of May:

Nightly at 9.00pm for the month of May at the Grotto of Our Lady, Curraheen. All welcome.

### Celebrate "The Wonder of your Being:"

A day of renewal to restore your sense of wonder and joy. Group reflections, guidance and personal quiet time.

**Venue:** Ennismore Retreat House, Montenotte on May 10th at 10.30am to 4.30pm. **Director:** Tessie Murray. Cost: €50 including full lunch. Enquiries at Ennismore, tel. 4502520.

### Bishopstown Community Association AGM:

Will be held on Tuesday, 14th May, 2013 in Wilton Park House, Wilton at 8.00pm. The meeting is open to everyone in the area, especially representatives of residence associations and all other organisations operating in the locality. Anyone wishing to become a member of the Association will be most welcome.

### Pieta House - "Darkness into Light - 5K Event"

At 4.00am Saturday morning the 11th May, 2013. Join us for this symbolic event - 20 venues nationwide. See [dil.pieta.ie](http://dil.pieta.ie) for more details or phone Dublin (01) 6282111 or Limerick (061) 484444.

## In Sympathy:

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

**Frances Hegarty**, Bishops court Lawn.  
**Josephine Reardon**, Woodlawn, Model Farm Road.

*May they rest in peace.*

## PRAYER TO OUR LADY



Look to the star - call upon Mary!

In danger, in difficulty or in doubt,

Think of Mary, call upon Mary,

Keep her name on your lips,

Never let it pass out of your heart.

Following her footsteps,

You will not go astray;

Praying to her,

You will not fall into despair;

Thinking of her you will not err.

While she keeps hold of your hand,

You will not fall,

You will not grow weary,

You will have no fear.

Enjoying her protection,

You will reach the goal.

Mary, Star of the Sea, pray for us.

(St. Bernard).

## FIRST HOLY COMMUNION:



*"Welcome Lord Jesus, thank you for coming to me".*

May is the month for First Holy Communion, a very special day in the lives of children.

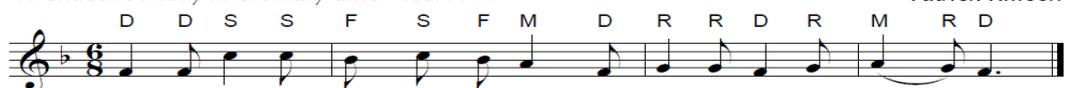
May the children be united with Jesus on life's journey in all parishes and may Mary, Our Blessed Mother, pray for the children and their families and all who help them to prepare for their First Holy Communion.

Pupils of St. Catherine's Primary School will be receiving First Holy Communion here in our Parish on Saturday, 11th May, at 11.30am.

## Weekend Psalm:

Twentieth Sunday in ordinary time - Year A

Patrick Killeen



Let the peo - ples praise you, O God; let all the peo - ples praise you.