

# Ballineaspig Bulletin



CHURCH OF THE HOLY SPIRIT  
DENNEHY'S CROSS, CORK

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Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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## MASS TIMES

### Sunday

9.00, 10.30, 12.15  
Saturday Vigil 6.15pm

### Weekdays

9.30am only

### Eve of Holydays

7.30pm

### Holydays

9.00, 10.30 &  
7.30pm

## God's Word

Readings for Sunday  
9th March, 2014

First Reading:  
Gn 2: 7-9, 3: 1-7

Psalms: 50

Second Reading:  
3 Rm 5: 12-19

Gospel:  
Mt 4: 1-11

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## THROUGH ASHES TO JOY

From Ash Wednesday to Easter



Lent is a time of opportunity.

Lent is an opportunity to:

- \* foster friendship with Jesus through daily Gospel reading.
- \* foster faith by daily prayer.
- \* foster hope by the compassionate word.
- \* foster love by frequent kindnesses.
- \* foster forgiveness by accepting God's forgiveness.
- \* foster mercy by imitating our God.
- \* foster generosity by daily sharing.
- \* foster community by joyful service.
- \* foster leadership by the encouraging word.

Lent may be an opportunity to:

- \* eliminate lies to ensure justice.
- \* eliminate extravagance to shelter the homeless.
- \* eliminate malicious gossip to promote harmony.
- \* eliminate bullying to eradicate fear.
- \* eliminate privilege to provide jobs for the young.

Lent may be an opportunity to:

- \* restrict food to feed the hungry.
- \* restrict alcohol to reduce abuse.
- \* restrict treats to provide the basics for others.
- \* restrict TV to make time for friendship.
- \* restrict negativity to awaken inspiration.

Lent is a time to tune into our better selves and into God, to unwrap the gift of his friendship, to allow him touch our hearts again. It is a time of joy, the joy of realising that each one of us is precious to God. It is time to share that joy.

Lent 2014 is upon us. Its opportunities may not come again. Choose three of the above that may be relevant to you for immediate attention this Lent. May the Lord be with you.

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## LENT

Next Wednesday, 5th March is **Ash Wednesday** and a day of fast and abstinence. **Masses** at 9.30am and 7.30pm. **Ashes** will be distributed at each Mass.

Trócaire collection boxes are available in the Church.

*"Lent invites us to begin again  
To grow spiritually stronger through  
self-discipline".*

### Pancake Tuesday - The Bishopstown Community Gardaí

On the 04/3/14 the Bishopstown Community Gardaí are hosting a Pancake Morning at the S.M.A. Centre Wilton between 9.30am & 2.00pm. A raffle will take place for first prize of a Taylor Made Burner Golf Club. This club has been signed by Pdraig Harrington. There will be many other prizes. Proceeds from the morning will go towards the Cork City Hospitals Children's Club. This Club is a voluntary non-profit making registered Charity.



## NOTICE BOARD

### First Friday:

Next Friday, 7th 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, 7th March, after the 9.30am Mass to 7.30pm followed by Mass.

### St. Joseph's Young Priests Society:

Monthly meeting will be held on Thurs. 6th March at 3.00pm in the Parish Centre.

### Pastoral Council:

Next meeting on Monday, 10th March at 8.15pm in the Parish Centre.

### Liturgy Group:

Next meeting on Tuesday, 11th March at 7.30pm in the Parish Centre.

### Irish Bishop's Commission:

The annual collection will take place at all Masses next weekend, 8th/9th March.

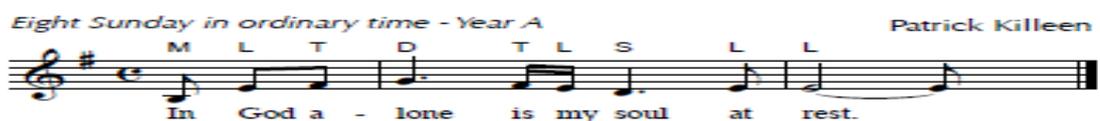
### Coffee Morning, Loboc (Philippines):

I wish to thank all those who contributed so generously to the recent coffee morning at the Rendezvous Bar. A sum of €1,054.30 was raised and this will go to the San Pedro Church (Loboc) restoration fund. A big "Thank You" is due to Michael at the Rendezvous for his generosity and helpfulness and also to his staff. *Virgilia O'Donoghue.*

### Maclise Art Society:

The Maclise Art Society has invited Martin Stone, a Welsh Artist who paints in oils in Skibbereen to give a demonstration on Fri. 7th March in the Crawford Gallery at 7.30pm to 9.30pm. All welcome.

### Weekend Psalm:



## REST IN PEACE

We offer our sincere sympathy to the family, relatives and friends of the late **Carmel O'Sullivan**, College View who died recently.

## IN SYMPATHY

To the O'Connor family, Montenotte on the death of their father, **William O'Connor**.

To **Jimmy O'Sullivan**, Farranlea Park on the death of his brother, Charlie O'Sullivan, England.

To **Pádraig O'Riordáin**, Bishops court on the death of his sister, Mary O'Leary, Coachford.

*May they rest in peace*

## BIBLE CORNER

### Priority Choice



The radical choice proposed in this weekend's flowery Gospel is so all embracing that it may be easier to side step it than to take it seriously. The original hearers of these sayings of Jesus lived in extremely poor circumstances and even the little they had was in constant danger from tax collectors, invading armies, transient groups of marauding mercenaries. Long term financial security planning was not an option for them. For us, the options may seem to be more varied. What is our priority today? God or money?

In whom do we place our trust?

## COME AND CELEBRATE

**WHAT?** Fairtrade Fortnight  
**HOW?** by attending a free Fairtrade Coffee Morning  
**WHERE?** The Crypt  
**WHEN?** Next Sunday, 9<sup>th</sup> March, after 10.30 a.m. Mass and before 12.15 Mass.

*All Welcome: Fairtrade refreshments served*