

# Ballineaspig Bulletin



CHURCH OF THE HOLY SPIRIT  
DENNEHY'S CROSS, CORK

11th May, 2014

Fourth Sunday of Easter

No: 1216

## 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

## THE EYE OF THE HEART

St. Bonaventure talks about three ways of seeing. We see things with the eye of the flesh, the eye of the mind and the eye of the heart.

Since the invention of the telescope and all the extraordinary advance in microscopic technology the eye of the flesh can see more and more. Apart from seeing far away galaxies, we can see magnifications of the minute particles that make up all physical matter. Similarly, the eye of the mind, through philosophy, theology, logic and reason seeks to explain and understand all that we can now physically see. A range of i-technology devices such as the internet, ipad, iphone, ipod, kindle, etc., provides us with near instant access to written sources which facilitate our engagement with these disciplines. However, in the absence of informed guidance these sources of knowledge can be difficult to engage with in a fruitful manner.

## God's Word

Readings for **Sunday**  
**18th May 2014**

First Reading:  
Acts 6:1-7

Psalms: 32

Second Reading:  
1 Pt 2:4-9

Gospel:  
Jn 14: 1-12

The third form of seeing, that is seeing with the heart, has been almost completely eclipsed by the range of technological and scientific developments in the nineteenth, twentieth and twenty first century. In fact seeing with the heart is dismissed as being unscientific, beyond reason, merely subjective emotionalism. Yet we all have experienced seeing with the heart. When explaining this aspect of seeing to children, one relates how they know that their parents and grandparents love them. The eye of the heart enables them to know and feel the immeasurable love that their parents and grandparents have for them without physical or scientifically reasoned evidence. It is the same with God's love. We know in our hearts, with the eye of the heart, that God loves us.

Blessed Mother Teresa used to say when you look at the crucifix you understand how much Jesus loved you. When you look at the Sacred Host you understand how much Jesus loves you NOW. A contemporary phenomenon is the way teenagers and young adults are drawn to Eucharistic Adoration. During the Nightfever events in Dublin, Galway and Cork recently, those who spend even a short time before The Blessed Sacrament speak of the peace and calmness that descends on them and some explain it as a feeling that they are loved by a higher power. Frequently these young adults have little or no experience of religious worship.

Similarly scripture can only be read with the eye of the heart, a practice central to Lectio Divina when we call on the Holy Spirit to direct us towards a word or phrase in the daily scripture readings which is his special light to us that day.

The next Nightfever event in Cork will take place in **St Francis' Church, Liberty Street** on **Saturday, May 17<sup>th</sup>**. It begins with mass at 6.30pm followed by prayerful live music in candle-light, Adoration and Reconciliation until 10.30pm. For more information visit [www.nightfever.org](http://www.nightfever.org) or Nightfever Ireland / Facebook.

Pat Nugent.

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## NOTICE BOARD

### Bulletins to the Homes:

Bulletins will be delivered to all homes in the parish next weekend.

### Pastoral Council:

Next meeting on Monday, **12th May** at 8.15pm in the Parish Centre.

### Liturgy Group:

Next meeting on Tuesday, **13th May** at 7.30pm in the Parish Centre.

### Padre Pio Pilgrimage:

A Padre Pio Pilgrimage to Holy Cross will take place on Sunday, 25th May, departing Cork Opera House at 9.30am. Cost €15. For tickets contact Jackie at (087) 6527136 after 6pm.

### Heart Throbs:

Bishopstown & Ballincollig Cardiac Support Group next meeting on Monday, 12th May, 2014 at the Bishopstown Library from 11am to 1pm. New members are always welcome. Contact (021) 4872626.

### Novena in Honour of Our Lady:

On Friday May 16th to Friday May 23rd at 7.30pm daily (Saturday 17th at 7.00pm) at the SMA Parish Church, Blackrock Road, Cork. The Novena ends with the Annual Pilgrimage to Knock on Saturday, 24th May, 2014. Buses from SMA Wilton (phone no: 4541069) and from SMA Blackrock (phone no: 4292871).

### Being the Body of Christ"

A talk by Fr. Timothy Radcliffe OP will take place on Sunday, 18th May from 3pm to 5pm in Christ the King Church, Turners Cross, Cork. Fr. Timothy is a former Master General of the Dominican Order and is an internationally renowned speaker and author. The talk is open to all—there is no charge—a donation is welcome to cover costs.

### Mount Mercy College:

Mount Mercy College is having their End of Year Concert featuring the Cork Garda Male Voice Choir on Wednesday, 14th May at 8pm sharp in the Oriel House Hotel, Ballincollig. The concert is a fundraiser for the school and the proceeds of the raffle on the night will go to the Laura Lynn Hospice— Ireland's first Hospice for children. Tickets are available from the school tel: 021-4542366 or at the door on the night—first come, first served! It promises to be a great night and your support would be greatly appreciated.

## IN SYMPATHY

We offer our sincere sympathy to the family, relatives and friends of the late **John Casey**, Model Farm Road, Cork who died recently.

*May he rest in peace.*

## THE HOLY LAND PILGRIMAGE 2014



There will be a meeting for all those travelling with the Parish to the Holy Land on **Wednesday 14th May, 2014** at 8.00pm in the Parish Centre.

## SPRING DUES

The envelopes for the Spring Dues will be delivered to homes in the Parish within the next few weeks.

## Prayer to Our Lady of Fatima (Feast day: 13th May)

**O Most Holy Virgin Mary, Queen of the most holy Rosary, you were pleased to appear to the children of Fatima and reveal a glorious message. We implore you, inspire in our hearts a fervent love for the recitation of the Rosary. By meditating on the mysteries of the redemption that are recalled therein may we obtain the graces and virtues that we ask, through the merits of Jesus Christ, our Lord and Redeemer. Amen.**

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### Weekend Psalm:

*Easter 4 - Year A*

Patrick Killeen

