

Ballineaspig Bulletin



CHURCH OF THE HOLY SPIRIT
DENNEHY'S CROSS, CORK

11th January, 2015

The Baptism of the Lord

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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**
18th January, 2015

First Reading:
1 Sm 3:3-10, 19

Psalms: 39

Second Reading:
1 Cor 6: 13-15, 17-20

Gospel:
Jn 1: 35-42

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“NEW YEAR - NEW BEGINNINGS”

Poet, Alfred Lord Tennyson, once wrote “Hope smiles on the threshold of the year to come, whispering that it will be happier”. Each of us will, no doubt, subscribe to that hope. Some will have a diversity of good intentions and resolutions for the year ahead. The resolutions perhaps will include smoking, diet, exercise and other challenges such as showing kindness to others and reaching out to those in need. The most important thing is not giving up – even if we sometimes fail in our efforts.

One very important task we should not neglect is the absolute need to carve out a few moments for prayer and reflection each day. Our souls ever stand on the boundary line between time and eternity. If we turn towards time we shall, without doubt, forget eternity and soon be led away from the things of God. Christ is the cornerstone of our lives. He holds us together. We are founded on Him, built on Him, supported by Him. He is the one who was rejected by the people and unjustly condemned to die on a cross. We must never forget that He suffered and died so that we could inherit eternal life in heaven.

St. Augustine said of Jesus “You have made us for yourself, O Lord, and our hearts are restless until they find their rest in you”. As we journey through the coming year, may we deepen our faith and trust in Him, seeking his care and protection for the hungry and homeless and those entrusted to our care.

May the light of Christ guide us on our pilgrim way.

Arthur O'Callaghan.



REMINDER—WEEKLY COLLECTION ENVELOPES

The **2015 collection envelopes** will be available for collection from the **Parish Office** after all this weekend Masses (10th/11th January) and from the Parish Office after daily Mass.

NOTICE BOARD

Bulletins to the homes:

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

Pastoral Council:

Next meeting will be held in the Parish Centre on Monday, 12th January, 2015 at 8.30pm.

Liturgy Group:

Next meeting will be held in the Parish Centre on Tuesday, 13th January, 2015 at 7.30pm.

Diocesan Needs:

The quarterly collection will be taken up at all Masses next weekend, 17th/18th January, 2015.

50th Celebrations – Mount Mercy College:

Mount Mercy College will celebrate its 50th Anniversary in 2015. This great occasion will include an Open Day for past pupils on Saturday, March 14th. We hope to see you all on that date. Please refer to the Mount Mercy college website for further details.

Bishopstown Senior Social Centre:

Please note our Centre will re-open for all activities in 2015. Our Men's Sheds will have their first meeting on Thursday, 15th at 10.30am. Please note that the first Chiropody session is on Wednesday, 21st January, 2015.

Heart Throbs:

Bishopstown & Ballincollig Cardiac Support Group will hold their next meeting on Monday, 12th January, 2015 at the Bishopstown Library, Wilton Shopping Centre from 11am to 1pm. New members most welcome. Contact (087) 2874106.

Alzheimer Society of Ireland – Cork Branch – Saturday Club:

Next meeting on Saturday, 17th Jan., 2015 at Bessboro Day Care Centre from 2pm to 4pm. We are delighted to introduce **THE PURPLE POPS CHOIR**. Free admission. All welcome.

Diocesan Certificates in Biblical Studies

Are you interested in learning more about the Bible? Why not join us for a four module programme over two years in Bible Study? It will include an Introduction to the Bible, the Old Testament, the Gospels and the Early Church and Paul's Letters.

Module 1 will consist of 5 nights and one Saturday workshop and begins on Monday Feb 9th at 7.30 p.m. in Scala, Blackrock. The presenters will be Fr Seán O'Sullivan, Diane Corkery, Mons. Ned Goold and Fr. Kieran O'Mahony OSA.

Cost: €50 per module.

For information and booking: contact Cork Scripture Group at corksripturegroup@gmail.com or 021-4295144 (Marian or Phil).

Weekend *Easter Vigil - after the fifth reading*

Psalm:

Patrick Killeen

L T D M R D R T S L T D T S L L

With joy you will draw wa - ter from the wells of sal - vat - ion.

REST IN PEACE

We offer our sincere sympathy to the families, relatives and friends of the following parishioners who died over the Christmas period:

Mary O'Riordan, The Ridgeway.
Kay O'Keeffe, Linaro Avenue.
Moira Barnes, Clarina, Co. Limerick.
Eileen Barrett, Magazine Road.
Katherine (Chris) Hayes, Wilton Gardens.
Frank Gilligan, Bishops court Hill.
Donal McCarthy, Laburnum Drive.
Ned Foley, Wilton Gardens.

IN SYMPATHY

We offer our sincere sympathy to:

Dan Olden, Bishopstown Ave on the death of his brother, John Olden, Ballinlough.
Joan Dennehy, Victoria Village on the death of her brother, John Dennehy late of Wilton Cross.

May they rest in peace.

A PRAYER FOR THE NEW YEAR

*Lord, in this new year which we have begun,
May we have enough happiness to keep us agreeable,*

*Enough trials to keep us strong,
Enough sorrow to keep us human,
Enough freedom to keep us happy,
Enough failure to keep us humble,
Enough success to keep us eager,
Enough wealth to meet our needs,
Enough faith to banish depression,
Enough hope to look forward,
Enough love to give us comfort,
And enough determination to keep going.*

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