

# Ballineaspig Bulletin



CHURCH OF THE HOLY SPIRIT  
DENNEHY'S CROSS, CORK

7th June, 2015

Corpus Christi

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## Creation Matters Can we become an Ecoparish?

Last year the Pastoral Council indicated to Eco-Congregation Ireland our intention to become an Ecoparish. This involves developing greater consciousness of Creation and of our need to live sustainably. ***So how is it going? Have you noticed the increased activity across the parish?***

Were you among the sixty participants who attended a series of Lenten Talks on the broad theme of Climate Justice? People came from as far away as Kanturk to hear guest speakers such as Dr. John Feehan and Bishop Patrick Harrington SMA and to contribute to the lively discussions led by Faith in Action Group members. The mood was more contemplative during the Earth Hour on 28<sup>th</sup> March, when parishioners shared by candle light a tranquil hour of music, prayer, and reflection on environmental themes.

There was no room for slackers in the two Workshops in May, led by Jan Van Soest on raised bed planting, waste minimisation and composting. Such was the enthusiasm of the group that the second two-hour session became three. Novice and proficient gardeners alike enjoyed hands-on experience of preparing compost and planting vegetables, while Jan shared his vast expertise as an organic horticulturist. Participants came away laden with hand-outs, plants, and even ingredients for dinner.



Have you seen the newly-planted bio diversity garden on the raised ground to the south of the church? Among the plants, including some carefully chosen to attract butterflies and bees, are Buddleia, Honeysuckle, Ferns, Nepeta, Marjoram, Marigolds, Mullein and Bluebells, carrots, onions and potatoes. A water butt has been installed at that side of the church to provide water for the garden and to allow parishioners to judge if a water butt might be a useful addition at home.

These activities have been funded by a Local Agenda 21 Environment Partnership grant from Cork City Council, a contribution from parish funds, and participant donations.

To celebrate World Environment Day **this Sunday, free flower, herb and vegetable seeds are being distributed after all the weekend Masses.** This will be followed by a Harvest Mass in September, when the resultant home grown produce will be sold in aid of our sister parish in Turkwel. By September, if not sooner, we will also know the outcome of our application to Eco Congregation Ireland for a parish Eco award. This award would recognize our promotion of environmental awareness and responsibility for planet earth, our connection with the developing world (Fairtrade parish, links with Turkwel parish) and our commitment to social inclusion (Asylum seekers, refugees). We were formally assessed on Wednesday, 27th May, and await the result.

***Faith in Action Group***

## NOTICE BOARD

### St. Vincent de Paul:

The monthly collection in aid of St. Vincent de Paul will be taken up at all Masses this weekend.

### Parish Council:

Next meeting will be held in the Parish Centre on Monday, 8th June, 2015 at 8.15pm.

### Sacred Heart Novena:

At the Sacred Heart Church, Western Road, Cork from the 4th June to the 12th June, 2015. Daily at 10.00am and 8.00pm.

### Alzheimer Society of Ireland—Carer's Support Meeting:

On Wednesday, 10th June from 3.00pm to 4.30pm at the Bessboro Day Care Centre, Bessboro, Cork. All welcome. For further details phone (021) 4972504.

### Gala Charity Concert:

In aid of the L'Arche and the Simon Community Cork on Friday, 12th June, 2015 at 8.00pm in the Rochestown Park Hotel, featuring Geraldine O'Grady & Oonagh Keogh (Violinists), Regina Nathan (Soprano), Andrew Thomson (Baritone) and the Frankfield Gospel Choir. Tickets €25 from Pro-Musica.

### Ballineaspig Area Masses:



Wed. 10th June at 7.30pm - Farranlea Area.  
All welcome to attend.

Congratulations to **Cillian O'Leary** on winning the Cork City Marathon on the Bank Holiday Monday. Cillian, who grew up in Woodleigh Park, Model Farm Road, is the son of Liam and Deirdre O'Leary, and now lives in Dublin.

Next Sunday night is the final of the Over 60's and Cillian's dad, **our Cantor Liam**, is in the final. We wish Liam every success.

*May the Holy Spirit  
continue to bless and guide  
all students doing exams at  
this time.*



## REST IN PEACE

We offer our sincere sympathy to the family, relatives, Sisters of Mercy on the recent death of **Sr. Elma Coakley**, Model Farm Road.

We also extend our sympathy to the family, relatives, and friends of **Carmel Hegarty**, Leesdale, Model Farm Road, who died recently.



### In Sympathy

We offer our sincere sympathy to **Doris George**, Kenley Drive, on the death of her sister, Anne Cummins.

May they rest in peace.

## *90th Eucharistic Procession*

*On today*

*Sunday, 7th June, 2015*

*At*

*Daunt Square*



*Preacher:*

*Archbishop Kieran O'Reilly, SMA*

*Please assemble at Proby's Quay at  
3.15pm to walk in procession to  
Daunt Square in honour of Jesus  
present in the Blessed Sacrament.*

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### MASS TIMES

**Sunday**  
9.00, 10.30, 12.15  
Saturday Vigil 6.15pm

**Weekdays**  
9.30am

**Eve of Holydays**  
7.30pm

**Holydays**  
9.00, 10.30 & 7.30pm



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### Weekend Psalm

*Corpus Christi - Year B*



Patrick Killeen

The cup of sal-va-tion I will raise; I will call on the Lord's name.