

# Ballineaspig Bulletin



CHURCH OF THE HOLY SPIRIT  
DENNEHY'S CROSS, CORK

11th October, 2015

Twenty-Eighth Sunday Ordinary Time

No: 1267

## 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

## God's Word

Readings for **Sunday**  
**18th October, 2015**

First Reading:  
Is 53:10-11

Psalms: 32

Second Reading:  
Heb 4: 14-16

Gospel:  
Mk 10: 34-45

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## “ANGELS GUARD THEE”

In recent years there has been an increasing awareness of the existence of angels. We now have films, books and a range of impressive memorabilia including a variety of statues.

**What do we know of angels?** Because we do not see them and know little about them, many people no longer believe in them. Yet, they do exist, their existence is a truth of faith. Our belief in angels is based on Scripture and on the tradition of the Catholic Church. The many references to angels in sacred scripture provides firm evidence of their existence.

**Who are they?** The word angel comes from the Greek “Angelos” which means messenger. One of the functions of angels then is to be servants and messengers of God. We find one of the best examples of this when the Angel Gabriel was sent to Mary at Nazareth (Luke 1: 11-26).

The nature of angels is that of bodiless spiritual beings with high intelligence and free will. Just like us humans, with our immortal souls, they are immortal, once created they live forever, unchanged, by time. The primary reason for angelic existence, like that of the universe as a whole, is to share in the glory of God. We read in the scriptures time and again, “Bless the Lord all you His angels”(e.g. Psalms 103.20, 148.2). Their lives is one of ceaseless adoration before God, worshipping and paying homage.

The Old Testament has a number of instances when angels provided people with the means of survival. For forty years they provided the Jews with Manna (Ex.16, Ps. 78.25). An angel stops Abraham's arm just as he is about to kill his son, Isaac (Gen. 22-12). It was an angel who closed the mouths of the hungry lions when Daniel the prophet was thrown into the lions pit.

The night sky is lit up with their presence as with inexpressible joy they sing to the watching shepherds: “Glory to God in the highest” (Luke 2.14) They protect Him in His infancy (Matt 1-2), and act as guides in the flight into Egypt. They come to minister to Jesus after He is tempted (Matt. 4-11), and rejoice over the conversion of one sinner (Luke 15.10). The Church has always proclaimed devotion to the angels. Catholic theology teaches that every human being, regardless of age, race, sex, has a Guardian Angel to watch over them. However, it's not only babies and children who are in need of protection and help of angels, but teenagers and adults, perhaps even more so.

The prayer, “O Angel of God...”, should always be part of our daily prayers. The Archangels St's. Michael, Gabriel and Raphael are remembered on Sept. 29th (Feast Day). It was St. Michael who defeated and conquered Lucifer (Satan) casting him into the abyss.

Pope Leo XIII, who having had a vision of demons and evil spirits attacking the Church, composed the prayer to St. Michael. “Blessed Michael the Archangel, defend us in the hour of conflict, be our safeguard against the wickedness and snares of the devil. May God restrain him we humbly pray. O Prince of the heavenly host by the power of God thrust into hell Satan, and with him the other wicked spirits who wander through the world for the ruination of souls”.

*Arthur O'Callaghan.*



## NOTICE BOARD

### Second collection for Diocesan Needs:

The fourth quarter collection will take place at all Masses **this weekend, October 10th and 11th**. Your generosity in this collection helps the running costs of the Diocesan Central Account which supports the administration and centralised activities of the Diocese.

### Pastoral Council:

The next meeting will be held in the Parish Office on Monday, 12th October, 2015 at 8.15pm.

### Liturgy Group:

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

### Alzheimer Society of Ireland—Saturday Club:

On Saturday, 17th October, 2015 at Bessboro Day Care Centre from 2.00pm until 4.00pm. PLEASE NOTE THE CHANGE OF DATE. Light refreshments provided. Free admission. All welcome. For further information please contact (021) 4972504.

### “Thank You”

A big thank you from St. Joseph’s Convent, Model Farm Road to all our friends and donors who found time to come and who sent donations and helped us raise **€500** for Marymount Hospice from our Coffee Morning held on Thursday, 17th September, 2015.

### Cork Association for Autism:

The Cork Association for Autism will be holding a collection day on Thursday, October, 22nd and need volunteers in the Bishopstown area on this date. If you are available to help raise much needed funds for adults on the autistic spectrum, please email [c.walsh@corkautism.ie](mailto:c.walsh@corkautism.ie) or call (021) 4533642.

### Clothes Recycling Drive:

The Parents Association at Mount Mercy College are holding a clothes recycling drive to raise much needed funds for the school. They are looking for people to donate their old clothes, shoes, ties, handbags, household linens and textiles (no duvets or pillows). People can drop their bagged donations into Mount Mercy College on Thursday 22nd and Friday, 23rd October from **8.30am to 3.30pm**.

### “Heart Throbs”

Bishopstown & Ballincollig Cardiac Support Group will have their next meeting on Monday, 12th October at the Bishopstown Library, wilton Shopping Centre from 11am to 1pm. New members always welcome.

### Cork Ursuline Past Pupils’ Union:

Annual Golf Day at Cork Golf club on the 19th October, 2015. Tee times 10.20am to 12.20pm. Proceeds to the Union Benevolent Fund. Enquiries to Irene at (021) 4541583.

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## IN SYMPATHY

We offer our sincere sympathy to **Maura McLaughlin**, Kenley Rd. on the death of her sister, Roisin O’Flynn, Freemount.

## October ~ the month of the Rosary



The Rosary is recited every morning (Mon. to Sat.) at 9.10am prior to the 9.30am Mass which is being held in the Crypt at present. All welcome.



Hope is like a flower or a river;  
Colour rooted in God’s creation;  
Movement and flow from the source that is God.

It’s also like a bridge,  
Link of man’s fears and God’s faithfulness,  
And the foundation is the promise of God.

And it’s more:  
It’s the smile in the dark of crowdedness,  
The touch of sympathy and understanding,  
A joke or fun that’s shared,  
A prayer mixed with the winds of worries and desires;

All in all, it’s a sharing in the love of God,  
Colour, water, pathway in the desert or the wasteland.  
And it’s thanks from the heart.

Weekend  
Psalm:

28th Sunday in ordinary time - Year B

Patrick Killeen

