

Ballineaspig Bulletin



CHURCH OF THE HOLY SPIRIT
DENNEHY'S CROSS, CORK

31st January, 2016

Fourth Sunday Ordinary Time

No: 1282

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
7th February, 2016

First Reading:
Is 6: 108

Psalms: 137

Second Reading:
1 Cor 15:1-11

Gospel:
Lk 5: 1-11

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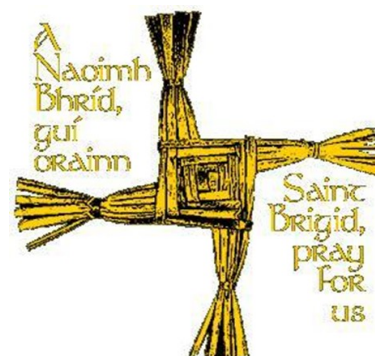
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LÁ FHÉILE BRÍDE

(Feast Day, Monday 1st February, 2016)

St. Brigid was born in the year 453. She was of noble birth. Fireside story tells us that a bright light shone around the family house when she was born. She was a strange, thoughtful child who loved learning and was clever with her hands as well as her head. She was never idle. She worked from early morning herding cows and later milking them.



However, she always found time to help the poor and often gave her share of milk and bread to them, as well as some of the clothes off her back. Still, she and her family were never short of anything.

Many noble Lords wanted to marry Brigid, but she was determined to live a religious life, following Christ. The first convent in Ireland was opened by Brigid in Co. Kildare. Here, the sick were healed, the sorrowful comforted and the hungry fed. Here, too, the people learned to know the love of Christ through the tender compassion of His servant, Brigid, and the other sisters. Other convents were founded by Brigid around Ireland and many Churches around the world are dedicated to her name.

Brigid loved all of God's creatures - tame or wild. The flower associated with Brigid is the dandelion.

Brigid died on the 1st February, 523 in Co. Kildare. She received the Body and Blood of her Lord in the Blessed Eucharist. Immediately her spirit passed forth and went to the Father in that heavenly place where He is seen face to face and enjoyed, without danger of ever losing Him. Her body was interred in the Church adjoining the convent but was exhumed after some time and placed in a splendid shrine near the high Altar. In the ninth century the remains of St. Brigid were removed to Down-Patrick:

*St. Brigid, Mary of Ireland, Ask for us today
The courage to do God's bidding
Whatever the world may say.
The grace to be strong and valiant,
The grace to be firm and true,
The grace to be faithful always
To God, His Mother and you. Amen.*

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Candlemas Day - Tues. 2nd February, 2016

The blessing of candles will take place at the 9.30am Mass and candles will be available to buy at €1.00 each.

Feast of St. Blaise - Wed. 3rd Feb.

Wednesday, 3rd February is the Feast of St. Blaise and throats will be blessed **before and after** the 9.30am Mass on the day.

NOTICE BOARD

First Friday:

Next Friday, 5th February, 2016 is the first Friday of the month. Calls to the sick and housebound on the usual days.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament:

Next Friday, 5th February, 2016 there will be Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament after the 9.30am Mass to 7.30pm followed by Mass.

St. Joseph's Young Priests Society:

The next meeting will be held in the Parish Centre on Thursday, 4th February, 2016 at 3.00pm. All welcome.

St. Vincent de Paul:

The monthly collection will be taken place at all Masses next weekend, 6th/7th February, 2016.

Sacred Heart Messenger:

This weekend, 30th/31st January, 2016, a representative from the **Messenger** is in our parish to promote postal subscriptions to the **Messenger**. It is a very readable magazine, informative, inspiring and well worth getting. A **special offer of €18** for a year's postal subscription will be available with a **free copy** for all attending Mass.

Lenten Programme:

The office of Evangelisation & Vocations, Sisters of the Bon Secours, invite all young adults to explore "What does Mercy Mean?" on Tuesday, 9th February, 2016 from 7.00pm to 8.00pm at Casa Maria/Cnoc Mhuire (opposite the Bon Secours Hospital, College Road). Then each Tuesday during Lent you are invited to join them through "A Merciful Lent". For further information see Facebook (Sisters of Bon Secours Ireland) or contact Anne-Marie at (087) 2209993 or email eavopost@gmail.com.

"Quiet Days for Busy People"

Knock Shrine is holding a one-day retreat called "Quiet Days for Busy People" on February, 6th at the Knock House Hotel. Retreat costs €30 including lunch. Contact: (094) 9388100.

Our Lady Queen of Peace - Medugorje Centre:

Next Mass on Thurs. 4th Feb. 2016 at the chapel in the Bon Secours Hospital, College Rd., Cork at 8pm.

St. Vincent de Paul Shop, Bishopstown:

Customer appreciation Coffee Morning in the S.V.P. Shop, Curraheen Rd (old Dunnes Shopping Centre) on Fri. 12th Feb from 11am to 12.30pm. Pop in for chat, browse and get-to-know us. Raffle also.

Reading Club: Curraheen Rd. Church Library:

First meeting on Thurs. 4th Feb., 2016 at 6.30pm in Bishopstown Library. All welcome.

Rest in Peace

We offer our sincere sympathy to the family, relatives, neighbours and friends of the following parishioners who died recently:

Christy McCarthy, St. Clare's Avenue

Rita Spillane, Wilton Gardens

Nellie McCarthy, College Road.

May they rest in peace.

Catholic Schools' Week 2016

Mount Mercy College, Model Farm Road, has been chosen to host the national launch of Catholic Schools Week which invites schools across the island to give expression to the ethos of Catholic education through a variety of events. It is a celebration which acknowledges the tremendous contribution that our Catholic primary and post-primary schools make, not just to Irish society, but to the mission of the Church.

The theme for Catholic Schools' Week this year is:

"Catholic Schools: Challenged to Proclaim God's Mercy" and it complements the Year of Mercy which was launched by Pope Francis in 2015.

The event will run from **Monday, 31st January to the 6th February, 2016**. The launch took place at Mount Mercy College, Model Farm Road, Cork on last Monday, 25th January, 2016.



Lourdes

Cork & Ross Pilgrimage

11th to 16th June 2016

5 nights full board

Pilgrimage Director: V. Rev.

Canon James O'Donovan.

*Booking forms available from Joe Walsh Tours,
117 Patrick Street., Cork*

Lourdes 2016 - Young Adult Helpers.

The Diocese of Cork & Ross invites Young Adults 18-30 year olds to come to Lourdes as helpers from 11th to 16th June. As helpers you will assist with the sick and be involved in the full pilgrimage programme as well as time for prayer, for making new friends and sharing in the story of Lourdes. Limited number of places. Closing date for applicants is the 29th February, 2016. For further details contact Fr. Charlie Kiely (021)4537603, Pastoral Office, Parochial House, Ballyphehane, Cork or email: charles.kiely@corkandross.com.org.

Weekend
Psalm:

Fourth Sunday in ordinary time - Year C

Patrick Killeen

