

Ballineaspaig Bulletin



CHURCH OF THE HOLY SPIRIT
DENNEHY'S CROSS, CORK

20th November, 2016

Christ the King

No: 1313

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
27th November, 2016

First Reading:

Is 2: 1-5

Psalm: 121

Second Reading:

I Rm 13: 11-14

Gospel:

Mt. 24: 37-44

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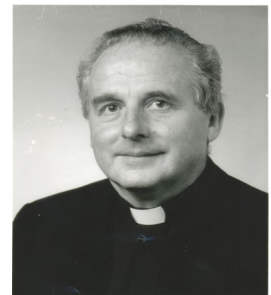
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CONTRASTS

We live in a world of extraordinary contrasts. We have landed a research camera on Mars and we cannot adequately staff scanning equipment in hospitals. We have developed world class sports facilities and we have failed to house homeless families. We have instant communication worldwide and constant conflict between peoples. We globalise the free movement of goods and services, but we restrict the migration of refugees. Modern technology enhances the lives of millions and yet exploits the daily lives of the most vulnerable in poorer countries.



Today's Gospel, Feast of Christ the King, highlights a contrast in the life of Jesus. A condemned man is in agony on a cross. He has been scourged already and crowned with thorns. His appearance is devastating. The inscription over the cross is "King of the Jews". The contrast between the title and the dying convict is dramatic. But then, the life of Jesus was marked by contrasts. He had the power to cure the man born blind, but was exhausted and thirsty near a well in Samaria. He raised Lazarus from the dead, but allowed himself to be crucified at the behest of a mob. He had the power but surrendered everything to do the Father's will through service and suffering. So, behind the apparent contrasts in the life of Jesus, there is an all persuasive consistency based on the Father's will and living accordingly.

Contrasts often alert us to the reality of daily life and the challenges facing us. Sometimes we are inspired by a vision of goodness, greatness, generosity and trust and we make our unique contribution to life that the Father invites us to make. Other times, by contrast, we succumb to the fear that draws us back into our self-protective shells of selfishness and we shirk the opportunity to make a difference through committed love.

For the true follower of Jesus, our Lord and King, there is no middle ground. The contrast is often very stark.

Fr. Tom Clancy.

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NOTICE BOARD

Rotas:

Rotas for the Ministers of the Eucharist and Altar Ladies are now available at the altar rails or from the Sacristy. **Please** collect your rota for 2016/2017.

St. Vincent de Paul:

At the recent Vincent de Paul Flag Day Collection at Wilton Shopping Centre, €3,743 was collected and we would like to thank all those who donated to the collection and especially the collectors for their invaluable help.

Found:

Sum of money found on Monday, 14th November at Laburnum Park near the rear of the CUH. Contact the Parish Office (021) 4344452.

Deceased Choir Members:

A Mass for the deceased members of Dennehy's Cross choir will take place on Sunday, 27th November, 2016 at 10.30am.

Bishopstown Library Gramophone Circle:

The next recital will take place on Thursday, 24th November, 2016 at 3.00pm in the Bishopstown Library. The musical presenter will be Patrick Reidy. Admission is free with light refreshments provided. All welcome.

Annual Garda Mass :

The annual Anniversary Mass for deceased staff of an Garda Siochana will be held at St. Joseph's (S.M.A.) Church, Wilton, Cork on Tuesday, 22nd November, 2016 at 7.30pm. All serving and retired Gardai, Civilian Staff, their families and friends are invited to attend the Mass. Refreshments will be served after Mass in the S.M.A. Parish Hall.

Bishopstown Tidy Towns:

A meeting regarding the setting up of Bishopstown Tidy Towns will be held on Thursday, 24th November, 2016 at 7.30pm in Wilton Park House. This is an opportunity to get involved in taking pride in your local parish, to meet new people and to build community spirit. Bishopstown is the area encompassed within the three parishes: Curraheen, Wilton and Dennehy's Cross. All are welcome to attend.

Handel's Messiah for Marymount:

At the Church of the Real Presence, Curraheen Road on Sunday, 27th November, 2016 at 8.00pm. Featuring Cara O'Sullivan, Domenica Williams, Ryan Morgan & Eoghan Desmond along with East Cork Choral Society. Tickets €20.

Dates for your Diary:

Communicating with our God of Love - four short practical sessions to deepen and strengthen prayer facilitated by Fr. Declan Mansfield at the Scout Den, Ballinora (behind the Church on Wednesday nights at 8pm - Nov. 23rd, Nov. 30th, Dec. 7th and Dec. 14th. All welcome.

CHURCH MINISTRIES: Word & Eucharist.

Would you like to become a Minister of the Word or Minister of the Eucharist here in our Parish Church?

If so, kindly give your name and contact number to the Sacristy or Parish Office.

Annual Christmas Concert

The annual Christmas concert will take place at the Church of the Descent of the Holy Spirit, Dennehy's Cross, Cork on **Thursday, 1st December, 2016** at 7.30pm featuring local artistes and schools.

Free admission - exit donation to Cork Simon Community.

Hosted by the Jubilee Bells Handbell Choir.



CHRISTMAS IN THE CATHEDRAL

Liam Lawton in Concert

at

The Cathedral of St. Mary and St. Anne

on

Thursday, 8th December, 2016

at

8.00pm

**supported by the
The North Cathedral Choir.**

Tickets €20

Available from Pro-Musica or Cathedral Sacristy.



Curraheen Church Parish Mission:

Guest Preacher: Fr. Carter Griffin, a priest in the Archdiocese of Washington who was raised Presbyterian and converted to Catholicism while attending Princeton University.

Thursday Nov. 24th - Mass at 7.30pm

Friday, Nov. 25th - Masses 10am & 7.30pm

Sat. Nov. 26th - Masses 10am and 6pm (visiting Priests will hear confessions after the 10am Mass).

Sun. Nov. 27th - Masses 10am and 11.30am.

These special days of reflection shall conclude on Sunday evening at 7.30pm with the MESSIAH by Handel.

Weekend *Advent 1 - Year A*

Psalm:



I re - joiced when I heard them say: 'Let us go to God's__ house.'

Patrick Killeen