

Ballineaspaig Bulletin



CHURCH OF THE HOLY SPIRIT
DENNEHY'S CROSS, CORK

11th December, 2016

Third Sunday of Advent

No: 1316

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 December, 2016

First Reading:

Is 7:10-14

Psalm: 23

Second Reading:

Rm 1: 1-7

Gospel:

Mt 1: 18-24

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WHERE DOES THE MONEY GO?

The St. Vincent de Paul special Christmas collection is being held in all Churches in the Diocese this weekend. The parishioners of the Church of the Descent of the Holy Spirit have always been very generous to us at this time, as they are every month of the year. For this we are very grateful and thank you sincerely.



Dennehy's Cross group serves this parish as well as St. Joseph's SMA parish at Wilton. We are also fortunate to have collections at the Masses in the Poor Clare's Chapel.

A central feature of our Vincent de Paul work locally is weekly visitation of homes which enables us to help families who may have a short term financial crisis caused by illness, unexpected rent increases and countless other problems. Coal is provided to people who find it difficult to heat their homes during the winter months due to financial constraints.

On a national level, St. Vincent de Paul Society, helps immigrants, the travelling community and also runs hostels throughout the country, both for permanent and crisis accommodation. Your generosity enables us also to support Vincent de Paul work in poorer areas of Cork.

Special tribute must be paid to our very dependable volunteer collectors who brave all kinds of weather every month and without whom we couldn't maintain our conference.

We would like to wish you all a peaceful Christmas.

P.S. As you may have heard from the media, Vincent de Paul in Cork City has no reserve funds left for the first time in over forty years. January could be a cold and hungry month for some. Your generosity could alleviate the crisis. Collectors will be outside the doors of the Church before and after all Masses this weekend.

Thanks and God bless.

Email: holyspiritparish@eircom.net Website: www.dennehycrossparish.ie

CHRISTMAS RECONCILIATION SERVICE
on
SUNDAY, 18TH DECEMBER 2016
at
5.00pm



IN SYMPATHY

We offer our sincere sympathy to the family, relatives, friends and neighbours of **Niall O'Sullivan**, Farranlea Road who died recently.

Ar dheis De go raibh a anam.

NOTICE BOARD

Bulletins to the homes:

Bulletins will be distributed to homes in the parish next weekend 17th/18th December, 2016. Can distributors please make a big effort to collect their bulletins from the Church on Friday, 16th December.

St. Vincent de Paul:

The Christmas collection in aid of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul, will take place at all Masses this weekend, 10th/11th December, 2016. Your generosity would be very much appreciated.

Rota for Ministers of the Word—2016 to 2017:

Now available on the Altar rails or from the Sacristy at Mass times.

Pastoral Council:

Next meeting will take place in the Parish Centre on Monday, 12th December, 2016 at 8.15pm.

Bishopstown Library Gramophone Circle:

The next recital will take place on Thursday, 15th December, 2016 at 3.00pm in the Bishopstown Library. The musical presenter will be Denis F. O'Callaghan who will present a Christmas programme. Admission is free with light refreshments provided. All welcome.

Heart Throbs - Bishopstown & Ballincollig Group:

Next meeting on Monday, 12th December, 2016 from 11am to 1.00pm at the Bishopstown Library, Wilton Shopping Centre. Further information contact: 087 2874106.

"Voices at Christmas" Charity Concert:

On Tuesday, 13th December, 2016, at 8.00pm at the S.M.A. Church, Wilton, Cork in aid of Irish Autism Action & Pieta House. Tickets available at the door.

"Thank You"

The Jubilee Bells Handbell choir wishes to thank most sincerely all the schools, choirs and instrumentalists, their musical directors and teachers who participated in the Christmas concert at this church on December, 1st. We would like to thank Canon Bertie for granting permission to hold the concert in the church. Thanks to the generosity of the audience, donations to Cork Simon Community amounted to €1,110.42 for which they were very grateful. May God bless you all.

CHILDREN'S MASS ON CHRISTMAS EVE AT 6.15PM

There will be a practice in the Church on Monday, 19th December, 2016 at 3.00pm for schoolchildren who would like to take part in the Christmas Eve Mass at 6.15pm. All children are more than welcome to take part.

REMINDER:

This weekend we celebrate Bambinelli Sunday - don't forget to bring your infant Jesus from your crib for the blessing which will take place at all Masses this weekend.



Turkwell Christmas Campaign

Christmas Cards and Gift Certificates will be on sale in the Parish Office every morning next week and after all the Masses next weekend, 17th/18th December. Proceeds will be used to buy hospital beds and medical equipment for our sister parish in Turkwell, Kenya.

CHRISTMAS GIFT INITIATIVE FOR CHILDREN IN DIRECT PROVISION:

The response to our Christmas gift initiative was so generous that all the cards were taken before the 9.30am Mass last Sunday. Thank you !!



Please ensure that your wrapped gift is returned to one of the porches this weekend or to the Parish Office no later than the 14th December.

Weekend Psalm:

Advent 3 - Year A

Patrick Killeen

