# Ballineaspaig Parish Bulletin

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### Mass Times:

Saturday Vigil: 6.15pm: Sunday: 9.00am & 11.00am Weekdays: Mon-Fri. 9.30

Saturdays: 10.00am Holydays: As Announced

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**22nd Sunday Ordinary Time** 

**Offertory**: €1676

**Shrines**: €375

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK 31st August, to the 7th September, 2024

Saturday, 31st August - 6.15pm - Kathleen McLoughlin

Sunday, 1st September - 9.00am - Pauline Meehan

Monday, 2nd September - 9.30am (1) Asioncion Tomanda

(2) Micheál O'Donoghue

Tuesday, 3rd September - 9.30am - May Cullinane

Wednesday, 4th September - 9.30am - Mary, Michael & Bridget O'Donnell

Thursday, 5th September - 9.30am - Marian Floyd

## **Parish Notices**

First Friday: Next Friday, 6th Sept. Exposition from 10.00am to 11.00am.

**Dennehy's Cross Bridge Club**: Reopening on <u>Monday, 2nd September</u> from 2.00pm to 4.00pm in the Crypt. Everybody is welcome.

**Coffee Morning**: Colaiste an Spioraid Naoimh will host a Coffee Morning on **Saturday, 7th September** from 10.30am to 12.30 pm in the School Library supporting students taking part in the Diocese of Cork & Ross Pilgrimage to Lourdes. All welcome.

## Letter from America

I always write these on a Tuesday here; I think Trish wishes I would do the same when I am at home: I usually write very late on a Thursday night! Today is the Feast of St. Monica who worried and prayed most of her life for her brilliant but wayward son, Augustine, whose feast day we celebrate the next day. She finally succeeded in bringing him back to faith in God. It is she who prayed 'all I ask of you is you remember me before the altar of God'. That was the last request she made of her newly converted son before she died. We often put that little prayer on memorial cards. As it happens I was in the company of a family yesterday very worried about their son. I have known Nick for quite a few years, a gentle giant who was not always wise in his life choices and is now in detention. By sheer chance he called us from the detention unit while we were together and I got to speak to him, told him we were thinking of him and praying for him. We are hoping he goes into Rehab rather than incarceration. But there are no places for him and they keep putting off his court date until there is a Rehab person to testify. Next Tuesday is the day I return home and his court date so I am praying hard for him: he will not cope with being in the company of hardened guys now and just needs proper guidance. He asked his mother to give me twenty dollars so I will leave that with St. Anthony for him. There are many such circumstances, both here and back home. particularly where court dates are postponed, thus increasing anxieties.

I am in my last full week here; I will leave early Tuesday morning and will be in Cork returning Wednesday afternoon, September 4th, a little later than usual. Thursday I have to be in Dunmanway to celebrate my cousin's wedding anniversary Mass, fifty years, I was an usher at it! So, I am hoping Father Tom will offer next Friday's morning Mass, September 6th. My next public Mass in the parish will be the Vigil on September 7th. The Spiritan Fathers, formerly known as the Holy Ghost Fathers, will offer this coming weekend Masses. They will be making an Appeal for their Mission, which, if memory serves me, includes Sierra Leone, where there was serious civil strife on the late 90s. We welcome them.

Meanwhile, back here, just like home, life is returning to normal; school is open; I saw the children out in the blazing sun pledging their allegiance to the US flag. Tomorrow there will be school Confessions after the morning Mass. I will have an evening at the Hollywood Bowl on Thursday with LA Symphony Orchestra; it is a huge outdoor arena with seating for 15,000. So, it's not all work! I will write my last Letter next week, probably on Monday, before returning home.



Fr. Donal

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