

Ballineaspig Parish Bulletin

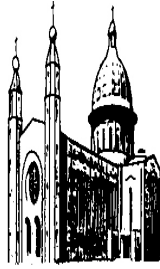
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Mass Times:

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

Saturdays: 10.00am Holydays: As Announced

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First Sunday of Advent

Offertory: 24/11/24 - €1776

Shrines: 24/11/24 - €470

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK - 30th November to the 7th December, 2024

Saturday 30th Nov. - 6.15pm - (1) Edward Quinn (2) Irene Richmond

Sunday, 1st Dec. - 11.00am - (1) Maureen & Jack Riordan & Denis Dennehy
(2) Michael Sheehan

Monday, 2nd Dec. - 9.30am - Valerie O'Sullivan

Tuesday, 3rd Dec - 9.30am - Pat Joe Murphy

Wednesday, 4th Dec. - 9.30am - Brendan Nott

Thursday, 5th Dec. - 9.30am - Brian O'Riordan

Friday, 6th Dec. - 9.30am - Special Intention.

Autumn Dues: Dues envelopes are available at all the church doors. Contributions can be handed into the Parish Office, the Sacristy, either of the Priests houses or with the Sunday collection.

Check the Parish App above for "The Prophet Jeremiah"

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1ST SUNDAY Advent (C)

1st December, 2024

ADVENT INVITATION

Jesus lived in turbulent times. Social divisions were everywhere. The poor were exploited by the occupying forces and let down by their so called leaders (religious and civil). Annihilation seemed imminent. Peoples' spirits and hopes had been coarsened by the brutality of life around them. Racism was rampant with its consequent disrespect for the preciousness of each individual person as a unique child of God. It was in such an atmosphere that Jesus came preaching by word and example, a Gospel of hope, justice, generosity, care, and love. It was a daunting message then and is now.

In this Sunday's liturgy, we glimpse a critical moment in His mission, "**Watch yourselves or your hearts will be coarsened**" was His stern warning. Does this culture of our time make us insensitive to goodness and the care of each other? Are our hearts being coarsened by our attitudes to status, privacy, security, privileges, wealth and independence?

Advent is an invitation to "**Stay alert, praying at all times for the strength to survive all that is going to happen and to stand with confidence before the Son of Man**" (Gospel).

In facing this Gospel challenge, we take hope in the Lord's reassurance through Jeremiah that He will fulfil His promise to be always with us (1st Reading).

St. Paul encourages us to make "**more and more progress in the kind of life the Lord Jesus means each of us to live**" (2nd Reading)

In our fast moving world, each day offers many varied choices. Our Advent invitation is to spend precious personal time daily with Jesus in what we call prayer. R.S.V.P TODAY.

N.B. Please bring a bulletin home and to a neighbour.

Fr. Tom Clancy.



PARISH NOTICES

VOCATIONS: At the moment the Diocese has no students for the Priesthood. I am hoping to form a new Circle of Prayer for Vocations. On **Saturday December 7th**, I am gathering people together in the Parish Room in the Parish Office to help form this group. We will meet at 2.00pm. Many thanks.

Weekly collection Envelopes: The 2025 weekly collection envelopes are now available for collection from the Sacristy before and after all the daily and weekend Masses. Please collect your box, as soon as possible, so that they can be used for the first week in January, 2025 (knowing your box number would be of great help to the distributors). If you no longer wish to partake in the scheme, please advise the Parish Secretary or Sacristan so that a box will no longer be ordered for you.

Celebrating Altar Servers: Altar Servers are a really important ministry in each of our Parishes. Since Covid some Parishes have struggled to reengage Altar Servers. The Office for Mission & Ministry and the Co-Ordinator for Youth Ministry are looking at ways of supporting Parishes to develop or introduce Altar Servers. A first step is to gather with all our Altar Servers and those priests and adult volunteers who look after them to celebrate altar serving in a fun atmosphere and to look at how we can together develop this ministry. We are gathering on Sunday, 8th December from 2.30pm to 4.00pm in Ballincollig Parish Centre, Station Road, Ballincollig, P31KV63.