

Ballineaspig Parish Bulletin

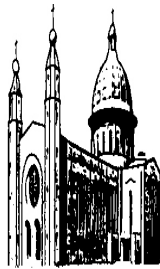
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Mass Times:

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

Saturdays: 10.00am Holydays: As Announced

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7th Sunday Ordinary Time

Offertory: 16/02/25 - €2636

Shrines: 16/02/25 - €410

Dennehy's Cross Active Retirement Group:

On Wednesday 26th February - lunch in MTU Campus at 12.45pm for all members - this event is fully booked out now. See you there.

PARISH NOTICES:

Exploring Prophecy in the Bible: 4 Monday nights(24th,31stMarch, 7th, 14th April) from 7.30pm to 9.30pm in Scala,Blackrock. Presenters: Fr. Sean O'Sullivan,Sheila Curran, Marian Mortell, Rosalie Moloney. **Workshop on "Prophecy:** Reading the signs of the times" with Jessie Rogers (Maynooth) in the Sacred Heart Hall, Western Rd from 10am to 1pm on Sat. 5th April, Cost €50. To book a place email :corksripturegroup@gmail.com

Win a Fairtrade Hamper - Competition open to all ages: To win: view the very short video "Meet Edith, a Fairtrade Cocoa Farmer in the Ivory Coast" on www.fairtrade.ie. Find in the video the four words written in yellow which complete the following sentence: Fairtrade supports women to increase their income and" Email the four missing words to: faithinactionballineaspig@gmail.com by the 28th February. The winner, drawn from all correct entries will receive a hamper of Fairtrade products. **Faith in Action Group**

Cork & Ross Pilgrimage to Lourdes 2025: Taking place from Friday, 19th September to Wednesday 24th September flying direct from Cork. Bookings through Joe Walsh Tours on (01)2410800 for anyone travelling as a pilgrim. Volunteers required - contact (085)2525040 or email: Lourdes@corkandross.org

Living with Grief & Loss: SMA parish Wilton is hosting a program SHEP to provide adults with the opportunity to examine how loss, change or grief has impacted on their lives. The program begins on Wednesday 26th February at 7pm to 9.30pm in the Parish Centre Wilton. Program runs for 9 weeks and there is no charge.

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK - 22nd February to the 1st March, 2025

Sunday, 23rd February - 11.00am - (1) Stephen Buckley (2)Donal Linehan (3)Dominic Curran

Monday, 24th February - 9.30am - deceased member of Sommerfield Family

Tuesday, 25th February - 9.30am - Kitty O'Keeffe

Thursday, 27th February - 9.30am - John Kelleher

Friday, 28th February - 9.30am - Catherine & Nora O'Sullivan

Pope Francis

This past week the autobiography of the Holy Father has been published. Although not literally written by himself, it is based on interviews with him over a period of time and represents his life and faith in his own words. It comes just as his health has become cause for concern and he is in hospital with pneumonia, a condition he has suffered from many times. He also has only one kidney and has been unable to walk unaided for almost two years. His spirit is willing...very soon we will celebrate his twelve years as the successor of St Peter, brought about by the unusual resignation of Pope Benedict on the last day of February 2013; two weeks later, on a very wet day, the white smoke brought the Conclave to an end and the first Jesuit became the first Francis.

It has been a very different pontificate; many surprises from this man, Jorge Maria Bergoglio, child of Italian immigrants in Argentina. He has embraced poverty both in spirit and in his personal living. He has travelled mostly to countries with only a small Christian presence. He has opened doors in the Church to new thoughts and ideas, and occasionally caused confusion with comments he has made. He can be indiscreet and outspoken about individuals both in the Church and public life. He has made many traditional Catholics angry.

The words that Jesus speaks in the Gospel this weekend are equally hard to figure out and require an awful lot of convincing. Most of us try to avoid our enemies and those who wish us harm; we would prefer not to think of them at all. Instead we are asked to love them and do good to those who hate us. He throws out of the Temple the pigeon sellers who had been present at his own Presentation, he angered many traditional Jews.

This weekend we ponder the many surprises of Jesus and Pope Francis.

Fr Donal



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