

Ballineaspaig Bulletin



CHURCH OF THE HOLY SPIRIT
DENNEHY'S CROSS, CORK

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The Most Holy Trinity

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God's Word

Readings for Sunday 25th
May

First Reading
Deut 8:2-3,14-16

Psalm 147

Second Reading
1 Cor 10:16-17

Gospel
Jn 6:51-58

Ireland's First
Fairtrade Parish



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This Year's Plans for Turkwell – our Twin Parish



This year our Special Church Door Collection to help our fellow parishioners in Turkana will go towards the building of a **Health Clinic and Dispensary at Kalemunyang.**

Fr. Ollie writes: "We will be very grateful if you will support us in the this project. Kalemunyang is situated along the Turkwell River, about 25km from Turkwell village. It has a catchment area of about ten villages and is a centre for small trade and commerce. It is a transit place for many Turkanas who travel from north to south and east to west, as they migrate in search of grazing for their animals. Many of these people will often base themselves for some months in the vicinity of Kalemunyang because of the availability of food and security. There is a local primary school with 250 children who are boarders.

However, they are completely isolated from the main Health clinics. The main hospital is 65km away and the health centre is 25km away.

The Dispensary will provide

- general health care
- HIV/AIDS awareness
- school health assessment of nutritional status
- mother and child health care
- home visiting

- and will be staffed by Lorugum Health Centre under the Diocese of Lodwar. Medical equipment will be provided by Lorugum. (The majority of the health care in Turkana is provided by the Catholic Church).

Many thanks for your prayers especially on Wednesday Mornings at your Mass. We continue to pray for you all, and I look forward to seeing you during the summer."

Can we here in Ballineaspaig help to improve life for the people and get this project under way?

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NOTICE BOARD

Corpus Christi Procession

The annual procession will take place next Sunday 25th May. This year's speakers will be Sr. Briege McKenna and Fr. Kevin Scallon. They will also give a Corpus Christi Parish Retreat in the Cathedral on Thursday 22nd and Friday 23rd at 7.30pm. and will speak at weekend Masses in the Cathedral - Saturday 6.00pm. Sunday 10.30 and 12 noon. All welcome.



Saturday May 24th at 11.30am

First Holy Communion for thirty-three St. Catherine's pupils here in the Church of the Holy Spirit.

The first communicants and their families will be invited to join us in the church here for the 10.30am parish Mass on Sunday 25th May. Pray for them.

Padre Pio National Pilgrimage

To Holycross on Sunday 25th May. Bus leaving Opera House at 9.30am. Fare €12. Contact Jackie at 087-6527136.

Baile'n Easpaig Gramophone Circle



Our final recital for this season will take place on Wednesday next May 21st at 3pm in the Crypt of our church at Dennehy's Cross when Dan Murphy will present glorious music. Be advised, be there!

Ursuline Service and Spirituality Experience

You Can Make a Difference! Do you have an interest in exploring spirituality? Do you have an enthusiasm for working with young people? How about giving a week in June to exploring the Ursuline Way of Life through service, working with young people, and spirituality? Want to know more? For further information contact: Sr. Jean Browne, Ursuline Convent, Blackrock, Cork. Mobile: 087 9391669. Email: irishursulines@eircom.net Take the risk. Do something. DARE TO BE DIFFERENT!



Dear neighbours and friends,

Once again I am hosting a Coffee Morning with the help of my friends and family on Saturday 24th May from 10.00am to 1.30pm. at Kilsinan, Bishopstown Park, Model Farm Road.

This year I have chosen the **Cork ARC Cancer Support House** as beneficiary, a charity very close to home. Located on O'Donovan Rossa Road, Cork ARC provides emotional and practical support to people with cancer and their families. All services are given free of charge.

Please come along and support this very worthy local cause.

Ber Healy

Bible Corner



WHO GOD IS

When Moses was leading the Hebrew people towards the Promised Land, as we read this weekend, they were only glimpsing the idea of the one true God, just about recognising him as the creator of life and of the world around them. They saw the achievements of their God and they tried to acknowledge them especially in their psalm prayer. They tried, too, to follow what they understood to be his instructions for good living.

It was only gradually that the revelation came to them that God was much more than his achievements and his commandments. God is a mysterious communion of love that we falteringly describe as Father, Son and Spirit. This description is only an entry point into the wonder of our God. When we come to this entry point with open hearts and minds, we will be led into an ever deepening relationship with the one true God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

"The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, the Father and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all." (Second Reading)

Fr. Tom



PENTECOST INTERCHURCH SERVICE

Our annual Pentecost Interchurch Service was held in the crypt on Thursday, 8th May. The attendance included guest preacher, Rev. John Faris, Presbyterian Minister, Rev. Geraldine Gracie, Methodist Community, and members of the various Christian communities. Also present were Mgr. O'Callaghan and Dean O'Connor.

Speaking on the symbols of the Holy Spirit, Rev. Faris said that natural elements such as water, fire, wind, fruit, oil and the dove were symbols of the spirit used in Sacred Scripture. He illustrated these with slides and a short prayer. Seeking the help of the Holy Spirit through prayer can be for all of us a life changing experience.

The evening was an ideal preparation for the feast of Pentecost, enjoyable and spiritually uplifting. God willing, we look ahead to repeating the service next year. Please come and bring a friend - you won't regret it. The service lasts about one hour.

Our thanks to Rosalie Moloney, Chairperson of the Pastoral Council, Tom Liston, Organizer, Mary O'Herlihy and Carmel O'Shea for the shrine and various symbols, Ciara O'Callaghan, piano accompaniment, and also the hard working ladies committee who provided refreshments. Well done to all.

The evening concluded with a joint blessing from the clergy present.