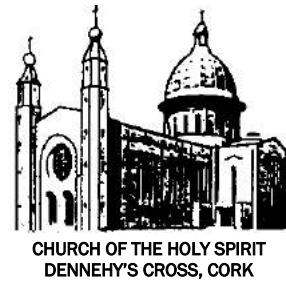


Ballineaspig Bulletin



20th October, 2013

Twenty-ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time (Mission Sunday)

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A Message from Fr. Oliver in Turkwel for Mission Sunday

Turkwel Parish in the Diocese of Lodwar wishes to thank Ballineaspig parishioners for your continued prayers and financial assistance.



Last year your Christmas Appeal helped to build a kitchen at Lorugum Health Centre so that patients, especially children and women, now receive the necessary good meals to bring them to full health. This year has been an eventful year in Kenya. In March there were general elections which for the most part passed off peacefully. A new constitution which was passed in 2010 has changed the central government structure to a devolved system which is now being instituted. On the 21st September, terrorists attacked a shopping mall in Nairobi, killing 69 persons.

Turkana has been in the news as well this year. In recent years they have been drilling for oil and the amounts found are significant. Already, as I pass by the oil fields I can see that life is changing for people. There are new businesses and job opportunities. Another big find has been water: a survey discovered an underground lake that has enough water for the people of Kenya for the next seventy years. The place is called Lotikipi which means - a place of plenty of water!!

The struggle for basic human needs such as health, educational and general government services continues to be the hardship of life for the people in Northern Kenya. Many services in Turkana County are provided by the Diocese of Lodwar. People like Sr. Pascalina (pictured above) continue to reach out and provide health care to people in remote areas of Turkana. The struggle between different communities for resources like water and grass continues, many people are killed, maimed and displaced in these areas where the communities clash.

People deserve hope and that is what the Church of the Descent of the Holy Spirit, Dennehy's Cross is giving to many of these people. A hope that humanity still cares, that in the hardships of life people still will reach out to others; that above all else we are sisters and brothers and that those least fortunate than ourselves are not forgotten.

I wish to convey in these short words our most heartfelt gratitude to you all from the people of Turkwel Parish. We wish you and all your families a peaceful and blessed Christmas. As always we will reach out to you by our prayers and Masses this Christmas.

Fr. Oliver Noonan, SMA (Parish priest of Turkwel Parish, Lodwar, Kenya)

NOTICE BOARD

Students with Dyslexia:

The Education Sub-Committee has organised an Information Meeting on "Transition from Primary to Secondary School" with a focus on Students with Dyslexia to be held in Bishopstown Community School on Wednesday, 23rd October, 2013 at 7.30pm. Guest Speaker is Ms. Teresa Connolly, Guidance Counsellor. Admission €10. Parents, Teachers, Students—all welcome.

Cork Simon Community:

Annual Church Gate collection in aid of Cork Simon Community will take place next weekend 26th & 27th October. Your generous support would be much appreciated.

Lough Flower & Garden Club:

Will host a Garden Talk by Ruth Good entitled "Autumn" at their monthly meeting on Tuesday 22nd October at the SMA Centre, Wilton at 8.00pm. Everybody welcome to a very interesting evening.

Mass and Blessing of Graves:

The Annual November Mass and Blessing of Graves at St. Oliver's Cemetery will take place on **Saturday, 2nd November, 2013 at 2.00pm.**

Cork Alzheimer's Café:

A safe space for people with memory problems including Alzheimer's and other dementias, their carers, family and friends along with social and health professionals to meet. Last Friday of each month from 1.30pm to 3.30pm at the Activity Centre, St. Finbarr's Hospital, Douglas Road, Cork. Light refreshments provided free of charge. All welcome. Next meeting on Friday, 25th October.

Wisdom Literature in the Hebrew Scriptures:

A Public Workshop with Dr. Jessie Rogers of Mary Immaculate College, Limerick on Saturday, Nov. 16th from 10am to 1.30pm at the Sacred Heart Parish Centre, Western Rd., Cork. Details and booking contact Anne Francis abfrancis@eircom.net or (087) 2272134.

Brú Columbanus—Ladies Day Fundraiser:

A ladies day fundraiser will take place in Blarney Golf Resort, Tower on Fri. 8th Nov. commencing 12 noon. Guests will be treated to a mulled wine reception, sumptuous lunch, stands and entertainment by the wonderful tenor, Ryan Morgan. All proceeds to Brú Columbanus. Tickets €25 available from Brú Columbanus (021)4345754 or (087) 2787074.

Lord, help me to be a missionary wherever I am. Make me a better person, more honest with myself, sympathetic to those who suffer and more willing to share with those who are hungry for bread and for God.

REST IN PEACE

We offer our sincere sympathy to the family, relatives, neighbours and friends of the late **Martin O'Keeffe**, Wilton Avenue, Bishopstown, Cork who died recently.

May he rest in peace.

NOVENA OF MASSES FOR THE HOLY SOULS

Fr. Bertie and Fr. Tom will offer a Novena of Masses for the deceased relatives and friends of all who send in names for the November List of the Dead.

The daily Mass times during the Novena are 9.30am and 7.30pm.

Envelopes now available in the Church. Please return same to the box on the Altar Rails (which will be available during Mass times only) by the **1st November, 2013 for inclusion in the Masses.**

Annual Mass for Deceased Parishioners:

The annual Mass for parishioners who died since November 2012 will be held Friday, **15th November, 2013 at 7.30pm.**

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God's Word

Readings for Sunday
27th October, 2013

First Reading:
Eccles (Sir) 35:12-14,16-19

Psalm: 32

Second Reading:
2 Tm 4: 6-8

Gospel:
Luke 18: 9-14

MASS TIMES

Sunday
9.00, 10.30, 12.15
Saturday Vigil 6.15pm

Weekdays
9.30am only

Eve of Holydays
7.30pm

Holydays
9.00, 10.30 & 7.30pm

Weekend Psalm:

Twenty-Ninth Sunday in ordinary time - Year C

Patrick Killeen

