

Ballineaspig Parish Bulletin



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MASS TIMES

Sunday
9.00, 10.30, 12.15
Saturday Vigil 6.15pm
Weekdays
9.30am
Eve of Holydays
7.30pm
Holydays
9.00, 10.30 &
7.30pm

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God's Word

Readings for Sunday
29th March, 2020
First Reading:
Ez 37:12-14
Psalm: 129
Second Reading:
Rm 8: 8-11
Gospel:
Jn 11: 1-45

PARISH BULLETIN

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4th Sunday Lent
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Sorry, due to the Coronavirus restrictions, there will be no Masses until further notice. Thank you.

COVID - 19 WHY? WHY?

Why does a good God allow this virus wreak such stress and distress among us and among the wider human family? Why?

In this weekend's fuller Gospel (Jn 9: 1-41), the disciples put a similar question to Jesus when they met a blind beggar. Why had he been born blind? They thought that either he or his parents must have sinned. Their judgemental questioning would be satisfied if they could blame somebody for what had happened.

Jesus partially sidestepped their question because the opportunity of **that** moment was to give thanks and praise to God, to awaken faith in the Creator, the giver of all good gifts. The opportunity of **this** moment is to give thanks and praise to the very very many people who are stepping outside their self protective comfort zones to care for the wider human family. Why do so many do it? Because God has sown deep seeds of goodness and love in our hearts and these seeds germinate, grow, blossom and mature into a fruitful harvest of communal care at this time of crisis. It is through this practical love for one another that God shows his love for us now.



Fr. Tom

St. Patrick's Breastplate

**Christ with me,
Christ before me,
Christ behind me,
Christ within me,
Christ below me,
Christ above me,
Christ on my right hand,
Christ on my left hand,
Christ in my sleeping,
Christ in my waking,
Christ in the heart of all who think of me,
Christ in the mouth of all who speak of me,
Christ in every eye that looks at me,
Christ in every ear that listens to me.**



Memorare

**Remember, O most gracious Virgin Mary,
That never was it known
That anyone who fled to your protection, implored your help or sought your intercession was left unaided.
Inspired with this confidence I fly unto thee,
O Virgin of virgins, my Mother,
To thee do I come,
Before thee I stand,
Sinful and sorrowful.
O Mother of the Word Incarnate,
Despise not my petitions, but graciously hear and answer me. Amen.**

Prayer suggestion for this Lenten time of anxiety

Say the Stations of the Cross daily in the Church or at home to awaken within our hearts a realisation of how Jesus suffered for love of us and to remind us of those who helped him in difficult times, Mary, Simon of Cyrene, Veronica, the women of Jerusalem and the good thief.