

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



27th Sunday (A)

Is 5:17 Mt 21: 33-43

ANOTHER VIRUS

The upsurge of wonderful communal care that developed over recent months to protect us from the Covid-19 virus is being undermined by an insidious virus of individualism. This virus demands that the priority at all times must be one's own personal convenience, whim, enjoyment and pride. It is very easy to recognise this viral attitude in other people and at the same time not even suspect its destructive tentacles in our own lives. It can blind each of us to the devastation that failure to appreciate God's gifts, can wreak among us.

As the readings this weekend show, Jesus, like Isaiah before him, had the skill of a great story teller. In a very simple, but effective way, they crafted a word image of a familiar scene that left a lasting impression to carry a profound message.



Vineyards were focal points in the Hebrew world. A good vineyard was the pinnacle of achievement in a harsh terrain. It was difficult enough to find water and grazing for goats and sheep to provide the basic necessities. A vineyard required a special site, competent and dedicated care, akin almost to love. The sight of a well cultivated vineyard conjured up fantasies of the finer things in life. For a people to be compared to the Lord's vineyard, was a real compliment, but to be threatened by being abandoned by the owner of the vineyard was a fate worse than death. The ruthless wilderness would quickly overrun what had been built with dedicated love.

Those listening to Jesus and to Isaiah got the message very quickly. If we fail to respect the gifts of the Lord and to live accordingly, then the ruthlessness of selfishness will destroy the best wine of life.

A stark warning !

Fr. Tom Clancy.

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Ministers of the Eucharist:

Please note that only **TWO** ministers are required at every Mass for the moment due to Covid-19 guidelines. A new rota will be issued shortly.

Family Rosary Crusade:

Archbishop Eamon Martin is asking families to pray the Rosary for the month of October in what is called the Family Rosary Crusade. For further information see www.familyrosarycrusade.com

AUTUMN DUES

If you have not received an Autumn Dues envelope in the post and would like to contribute, dues envelopes are now available at all Church doors and from the Parish Office (weekdays).

Your contribution can be handed into either of the Priest's houses, the Parish Office, the Sacristy or with the Sunday collection. Thanking you.

