

# Ballineaspig Parish Bulletin

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2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Lent

28<sup>th</sup> February 2021

Gospel: Mark 9:2-10



## FAIRTRADE FORTNIGHT

As Ireland's first Fairtrade Parish what can we do to mark Fairtrade Fortnight which continues until 7<sup>th</sup> March?

1. In local supermarkets look for Fairtrade bananas, roses, tea, coffee, chocolate, cocoa, and wine.
2. Attend some of the online events: see [www.fairtrade.ie](http://www.fairtrade.ie) for details. Alternatively cook or bake with Fairtrade ingredients, e.g., search online for an RTE recipe for "Fairtrade Banana Tea Bread".
3. Spread the news: when farmers and workers can sell on Fairtrade terms, it provides them with a better deal, an opportunity to improve their lives and plan for their future. Fairtrade offers consumers a powerful way to reduce poverty and help combat climate change through every-day shopping.
4. Explain the Fairtrade logo (see above) to a family member. A popular interpretation is that the circle is the world, the blue is the sky, the green is the grass, and the black dot and swirl are a person holding one arm aloft. That figure represents the people at the heart of Fairtrade – it could be a farmer picking a banana/cocoa bean or a shopper reaching to purchase a Fairtrade product.

## LENTEN TALKS

**Whale Tales – Whales and Dolphins in Irish Waters:** The Lenten Talks continue by Zoom on Tuesday, 2<sup>nd</sup> March, at 7.30 pm, when **Professor Emer Rogan**, a lecturer in zoology in the School of Biological, Earth and Environmental Science at UCC, will share her knowledge of these amazing creatures. A marine biologist, Professor Rogan has worked on numerous topics, including fisheries and marine mammals for 25 years. Most of her research focuses on whales, dolphins, and porpoises, looking at abundance, distribution, management, and conservation.

Email [faithinactionballineaspig@gmail.com](mailto:faithinactionballineaspig@gmail.com) for the Zoom link.

9<sup>th</sup> March: *Listening to the Future with Hope* – Dr Denise Gabuzda

16<sup>th</sup> March: *Mary Elmes – The Quiet Heroine* – Ms Anne Twomey

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