## Ballineaspaig 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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## PARISH BULLETIN

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## **New Beginnings**

My journey to Dennehy's Cross began nearly sixty eight years ago in the town of Dunmanway, the only child of Paddy and Margaret Cotter, both of whom are long dead now; my mother left this world ten years before my ordination to the priesthood in 1979. Such is life! I taught for fourteen years in Farranferris, followed by pastoral work in the Lough, briefly in Watergrasshill, my home town of Dunmanway, until appointment as Administrator of Skibbereen and Rath and the Islands, Parish Priest of Bantry and latterly, of Watergrasshill and Glenville. I feel I learned a lot from each of these places and I look forward to learning even more here in Ballineaspaig over the next few years.

I feel very honoured to be following in the footsteps of Fr. Bertie; his 54 years of service have enriched our diocese, and now it is fitting he steps back from administration from now on. I will do my best to continue his legacy of hard work, spiritual guidance, and faithful management. I am delighted to live next door to Fr. Tom. I remember him as a powerful and inspiring teacher, who also helped me as a deacon by bringing me in to experience pastoral life in the South Parish. Through him I realised that Jesus Christ was a teacher first, and that our Church must be a teaching Church.

I have said my goodbyes in both Watergrasshill and Glenville and now it is time for me to focus on the life of this parish: to know you, love you and serve you. Events are overtaking us at alarming speeds; our world is changing fast and we are barely keeping up. I am looking forward to meeting existing groups here and forming some more. From what I have seen so far, there is great interest among people here in serving and leading. Such good intentions will be needed in the years ahead as we carve out together the elements of the "Family of Parishes" in the near future. It cannot happen soon enough.

Let us explore this together; walk with Jesus and allow His voice to be our voice also, His way to be our way, his life to be our life....until we all meet in Christ and live with him forever.

Beir bua is beannacht, Fr Donal.





## Parish Notices

#### Pastoral Council:

Meeting on tomorrow Monday, 12th September, 2022 at 7.30pm in the Parish Centre. Liturgy Group:

Meeting on Tuesday 13th September, 2022 at 7.30pm in the Parish Centre.

#### Mass for the African Community:

In St. Finbarr's South Church, Dunbar St., on Sunday, 25th September at 11.00am.