# Ballineaspaig Parish Bulletin

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## MASS TIMES

Saturday Vigil:

6.15pm

**Sunday** 9.00 and 11.00 am

Weekdays 9.30am

Holydays 9.30am & 7.00pm

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### PARISH BULLETIN

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#### Letter from Jerusalem

It is Monday night and we have spent the morning in the Mount of Olives and the afternoon in another mountain called Ein Karem. The first of these is associated with Jesus, the second with John the Baptist. Both mountains give a panoramic view of the Old City, dominated by the golden dome of the el Aksa Mosque.

We are on our eighth day of our visit that brought us firstly to Tiberius in the north, following the early life and ministry of Jesus, in Capernaum Old Synagogue where he first preached on Isaiah "the spirit of the Lord is upon me...", in the house of Peter where he cured Peter's mother in law, the Sea of Galilee where we travelled on a reproduction boat of Jesus' time; the place of the multiplication of loaves and fishes, the two great mountains of the Beatitudes and Transfiguration. We had Mass in the Grotto of the Annunciation, where Mary was visited by the Angel Gabriel, we had renewal of Marriage Vows of seven couples in Cana, and of Baptismal vows for all of us in the River Jordan. All in all, exhausting and very emotional. I have to say our visit through Jericho, right in the West Bank, the lowest city in the world was the most emotional for me and to Bethany of Martha, Mary and where Lazarus was raised by Jesus from the dead. We had Mass here, a place almost forgotten by many pilgrims here. We were the only visitors to Bethany that day.

But back to today. Last week's bulletin message from Father Tom featured the Our Father. We visited the place where Jesus is believed to have given that prayer to his disciples, the words in several hundred languages dotted around the site. We were in the place where olives grow, the scent would have been powerful as Jesus made his way to the Garden of Gethsemane where I offered Mass . Nearby we looked over the city at the place where he wept over it. This afternoon we climbed loads of steps to the home of John the Baptist and place of visitation of Mary to Elizabeth. We prayed the Song of Zechariah, the prayer of an elderly father, a priest of the Temple who speaks to his baby son, John and predicts his prophecy of the Saviour.

We were led by Nadal, a wonderful and caring guide, driven by our good humoured and calm Sabra, and accompanied by Karen from the travel agency who was outstanding. Shalom from Tiberius, Bethlehem and Jerusalem, Until next week.

Fr Donal

#### **PARISH NOTES**

- 1. November envelopes for your lists of departed family and friends are available at all doors.
- 2. The Feast of All Saints on Tuesday, November 1st Mass times: 9.30am and 7.00pm.
- 3. Similarly, Novena from 2nd to 10th November Mass times: 9.30am and 7.00pm.
- 4. <u>Remembrance Mass</u> for those who died in the last 12 months will be on <u>Saturday</u>, <u>5th</u> <u>November at 6.15pm</u>. Relatives of those concerned will be invited, with refreshments afterwards.
- 5. The Sacrament of Confirmation will be administered on Wednesday, 1st March, 2023 at 10.30am.
- 6. The Sacrament of First Holy Communion: Saturday, 6th May, 2023 at 11.00am.

## **Autumn Dues:**

It is that time of the year again to invite you to contribute your Autumn dues. If you have not received a Dues envelope by post and would like to contribute, Dues envelopes are available at all church doors. Contributions can be handed into: Parish Office, Sacristy, either of Priests house or with Sunday collection.