

Ballineaspig Parish Bulletin

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2023
11th Sunday
Ordinary time

MASS TIMES

Saturday Vigil
6.15pm

Sunday
9.00 and 11.00 am

Weekdays: Mon-Fri
9.30am

Saturdays: 10 am

Holydays
As announced.

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Collections:
10th/11th June

Offertory:
€1537

Shrines:
€285

PARISH BULLETIN

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LETTER FROM BETHLEHEM

We travelled in, rather later than usual, across the border from Palestine to the city of Jerusalem today. It's only a short distance of 8 miles but they stop everyone and every car and bus crossing. We carry our passports with us ; better that way in case they check everyone. We were late today because most of the group visited the L'Arche community here in Bethlehem. Unfortunately I missed the visit; the community runs a hotel and a gift shop for items they make from sheepskin of the Shepherd's Fields....the same shepherd's fields famous in the Christmas story. We visited those on Sunday, lots of caves where shepherds, mostly Bedouins these days keep their charges safe. These fields were necessary then for the lambs used in the temple sacrifices. Thus Jesus was identified as 'lamb of God' whose own sacrifice would put an end to the animals used in the Temple. In a world now dominated by social media which helps spread news quickly, the news then was spread by people who moved about from place to place, across desert and valleys, such as the shepherds. No wonder then later that Jesus identifies himself as the Good Shepherd.



Those same shepherd fields feature also in another story, from the Old Testament. Ruth was to be found looking sadly at the last harvest there after her husband died. And who was her husband? Boaz, father of Jesse and father of King David. Joseph, the foster father of Jesus, was of the House of David. It was after her husband died that Ruth uttered the words now used frequently at weddings. She addresses the family of Boaz: "Oh, do not leave me, because wherever you go, I go, wherever you live, there shall I live..."

Today we travelled through the old city of Jerusalem, sang a hymn at the room believed to be where the last supper was held and which was certainly the room where Pentecost was celebrated, an important moment for me from the parish dedicated to that great Feast.

See you this weekend. Much, much thanks to all who worked together in our church while I was away.



Fr. Donal

Considering the Priesthood?

The Diocese of Cork and Ross will host a special "Come and See" event for men considering the priesthood on **Sunday, 2nd July, 2023**. It will take place in Mardyke House (T12W8RP) from 2.00pm to 5.00pm. It will be an opportunity to take a gentle initial step and to pray, share and explore if the Lord might be calling you to the priesthood.

To register simply email: vocations@corkandross.org

PARISH NOTICES

Peter's Pence:

The annual collection for Peter's Pence will be taken up at all Masses next weekend, **24th/25th June, 2023**.

Mass at St. Michael's Cemetery, Blackrock.

On Wednesday 28th June, 2023 at 7.30pm. Family members, friends and neighbours of all those buried there are invited to attend. Please bring your own chair as seating will not be provided.

Mass Intentions for week commencing 17th June to the 24th June, 2023

Saturday, 17th June	-	6.15pm	-	Darragh Moran
Sunday, 18th June	-	9.00am	-	Judy Dillon
	-	11.00am	-	Eileen & Michael Healy
Monday, 19th June	-	9.30am	-	Robert O'Sullivan
Tuesday, 20th June	-	9.30am	-	Pat Hynes
Friday, 23rd June	-	9.30am	-	Eddie, Teresa, Pat & Edward Jnr. O'Connor
Saturday, 24th June	-	10.00am	-	Margaret Paye