

Ballineaspig Parish Bulletin



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18th Sunday
Ordinary time**

MASS TIMES

Saturday Vigil
6.15pm

Sunday
9.00 and 11.00 am

Weekdays: Mon-Fri
9.30am
Saturdays: 10 am

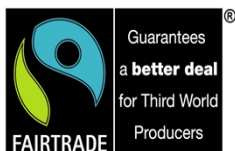
Holydays
As announced.

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Letter from America

It is Sunday morning here, 6.45am, but evening time where you are at home. We are eight hours behind you. Already the first of the Sunday Masses is being celebrated, in Spanish, by a Priest newly arrived from Spain, just like me. I will assist at the next Mass, which is at 8.00am before offering my own, at 9.30. On and on it goes, throughout the morning and afternoon, until the last Mass at 5.00pm which I will celebrate. In all, eight Masses are celebrated here on Sunday and a Vigil on Saturday evening at 5.00pm. Three of these Masses are in Spanish. The Parish Priest left on his vacation yesterday.

The Gospel Reading is about the hidden treasure. You will already have read Deacon Frank's Message in last Sunday's Bulletin. We will certainly miss him, especially the great care he took in his preaching. But hopefully, we will still get some advice from him occasionally and we wish him well in the Ballincollig family of parishes.

It is warm here, at least 32 degrees most days, but the air conditioning is turned up high, so the house, they call it Rectory here, is quite cool. It is a very different system to home. There are four resident priests here at the moment, two are Spanish speaking, and all of us have a room in the Rectory, which is right next to the Church. We are at the edge of Oldtown Pasadena, which, when I came here in 1980 for the first time, was Skid Row. Gradually by the late 80s it became 'gentrified', and now it is bustling with trendy restaurants and expensive shops, although badly affected by COVID. Homelessness is, if you can believe it, worse than in Ireland. I had to visit the Diocesan Chancery on Wiltshire Boulevard in downtown LA on Friday morning to pick up my Faculties to celebrate Mass here, and there was a line of tents, more than twenty on the other side of the street, and this is the financial district of Los Angeles.

I have been driving here since I came first in the 1980s, frequently going to the local hospital, even larger than CUH. Yesterday morning, Saturday, I met a young father in the Lobby and baptized the first two of his triplet boys in Neonatal, his wife and godparents were waiting. The third, identical, boy is already home and I will baptize him shortly in the small chapel attached to the main Church.

Our Gospel this weekend has a very homely feel to it. Jesus asks the hungry crowd to sit on the grass, and they get fed. You get a wonderful sense of the bounty of God, a bounty we are thankful when we bless our food, wherever we are.

See you next week. Much thanks to Father Tom, Father Con and our own wonderful support team in Dennehy's Cross.

Fr. Donal



Parish Notices

Padre Pio Mass:

On Sunday, 13th August, 2023 here in the Church of the Descent of the Holy Spirit. Confessions, Rosary and other devotions from 1.30pm. Priests will bless the people with Padre Pio Mitten and heart bandage after Mass. Anointing of the sick also during the Mass.

Holy Rosary Shrine, Lee Road

72nd Annual Mass & Devotions on the Feast of the Assumption, Tuesday, 15th August, 2023 at 7.30pm. Chief Celebrant: Bishop John Buckley (Bishop Emeritus) and Preacher: Fr. Marius

Mass Intentions for Week 5th August, 2023 to the 12th August, 2023

Saturday, 5th August	-	6.15pm	Eileen O'Shea (months mind)
Sunday, 6th August	-	9.00am	John Lennon
	-	11.00am	Edward Jackson
Monday, 7th August	-	9.30am	John Foley
Thursday, 10th August	-	9.30am	Pat Bullman (months mind)