

## ***Ballineaspig Parish Bulletin***

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### **Mass Times:**

Saturday Vigil: 6.15pm : Sunday: 9.00am & 11.00am Weekdays: Mon- Fri. 9.30

Saturdays: 10.00am Holydays: As Announced

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**Easter Sunday**

**Offertory: 13/04/25 - €2017**

**Shrines: €400**

### **EASTER SUNDAY COLLECTION**

**All collections this weekend are for the Priests of the Parish**

### **MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK - 19th April, 2025 to the 26th April, 2025**

**Monday 21st April (Bank Holiday) - 10.00am - Charles and Monica Axson**

**Tuesday, 22nd April - 9.30am - Dashiell Fitzgerald Hepworth**

**Wednesday, 23rd April - 9.30am - Liam O'Driscoll**

**Thursday, 24th April, - 9.30am - Bill O'Driscoll**

**Friday, 25th April, - 9.30am - Theresa Barrett**

### **Dennehy's Cross Active Retirement Group:**

Dennehy's Cross Active Retirement Group are hosting a Coffee Morning for "Cork City First Responders" on **Thursday, 24th April** from 10.00am to 12 noon in the Crypt.

**All welcome.**

### **Circle of Prayer for Vocations**

Please join us in the Parish Office Room at 2.00pm on **Saturday, 26th April**, to pray for vocations to the Priesthood.

## **Mission Accomplished**

Very rarely have I been present with someone at the point of death. I never got to be with my mother but I was with my father: we were praying the Rosary and he slipped away at the Fifth Decade, the nurse had been holding his pulse and she nodded at me. It is a most extraordinary moment; many of you may have had that experience. Once or twice I was also with people dying while I did Summer work back in the day when Saint Finbarr's was a general hospital. I was on my own with them as they passed. Then, just recently, in the final days of COVID I got to be with my cousin, Denis, who was like a brother to me. They called me after my evening Holy Hour on Good Friday, 2022 and I got to be with him ; he left the world as we were singing a hymn. The feeling you get is impossible to describe; but it felt so good and so right to be there. I was thinking about all this as I was praying the Stations of the Cross a few mornings ago in the church: meditating on the Twelfth Station. There Jesus died on the Cross and his only mourners were two women. These two women were with Joseph of Arimathea as he sealed the tomb and were there the next morning with spices for anointing when they discovered a new reality; they were the first carriers of the Good News. They saw a mission accomplished.

The teaching of the Resurrection is one of the most important of all our Christian teachings. The apostle Paul writes 'if Christ has not been raised, our teaching is useless and so is your faith' ( 1 Corinthians 15:14). He also writes 'if Christ has not been raised, your faith is futile and you are still in your sins'. Paul saw the resurrection as the teaching upon which all other teachings rest. If it is not true, then no other Christian teaching is of value.

Jesus also teaches that rising again is part of the mission he has to accomplish; in fact it was an age-old mission fulfilled in himself. 'We are going up to Jerusalem', he said, 'and everything that is written by the prophets about the Son of Man will be fulfilled'. This is his mission; to willingly offer himself as a sacrifice for the sin of humanity, and then to rise again after three days. It would also confirm everything else that Jesus has said about himself. He repeats it over and over, not to convince himself, but to remind them ' and they will remember he said these things when they have come to pass'.

As we travel away from another Easter Day and see a sleepy, lost group of disciples finally discover their nerve, we remind ourselves of those precious moments when we have seen the passing of life from this world before our eyes and why we should be full of love and hope for them in the 'land of the living'. Their mission is also accomplished.



A blessed Easter from Father Donal and Father Tom.

**Check out our APP and Facebook page (above) for more info about this weeks readings.**

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