

Ballineaspig Parish Bulletin

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

Saturdays: 10.00am **Holydays:** As Announced

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The Ascension

Offertory: 25/5/2025 - €1881

Shrines: €380

Bank Holiday Monday, 2nd June - Mass Time: 10.00am

Congratulations to the girls and boys from Gaelscoil Ui Riada who received the Sacrament of First Holy Communion last Saturday, 24th May, here in our Church.

May God bless them and keep them in His care.

Year of Prayer, Listening and Discernment : Continuing the Journey

The Diocesan Year of Prayer, Listening and Discernment continues to unfold. We are deeply grateful to all who took part in the recent sessions within our Families of Parishes. Your prayer, presence and reflections have enriched this process. Over the coming weeks, the responses received are being carefully and prayerfully reviewed. This next stage - of reflection and discernment - will help determine the steps we are called to take together as a Diocese. We ask for your continued prayer that this next phase may be shaped by the wisdom of the Holy Spirit and a shared desire to respond to the call of Christ in our time.

First Friday, 6th June, 2025 - Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament from 10.00am to 11.00am.

Bishopstown Meals on Wheels urgently needs volunteer drivers to deliver meals to our recipients. If you are interested please contact Sheila on (085)105940 or Pat on (085)7105954 for full details.

PARISH BULLETIN The Parish Bulletin is available **weekly** on the Parish Website: or can be e-mailed by forwarding your e-mail address to the Parish Office.

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

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK - 31st May, 2025 to the 7th June, 2025

Saturday, 31st May - 6.15pm - (1) Kathleen Hartnett (2) Catherine Studdert

Sunday, 1st June - 11.00am - (1) Jennie Murphy (2) Michael Jackson (3) Noreen Lehane

Monday, 2nd June - 10.00am - Mary Dorgan

Tuesday, 3rd June - 9.30am - Mary O'Donoghue

Wednesday, 4th June - 9.30am - John Long

Friday, 6th June - 9.30am - Margaret O'Shea

MY JOURNEY

A JOURNEY OF MY FAITH AND SERVICE: As I reflect on my journey, I am filled with gratitude for the experiences that have shaped my life. I was born on February 20, 1977, in the beautiful state of Andhra Pradesh, which is in the Southern part of India. I grew up in a loving family with six siblings. My parents, Mr. Balasundaram and Suvarthamma, instilled in me the values of faith, compassion, and service, laying the foundation for my future ministry.

A PERSONAL REFLECTION (Death of my Dad): Life has its share of joys and challenges.

Twenty-three years ago, I lost my loving father, a pivotal figure in my life. This experience taught me valuable lessons about responsibility, compassion, and resilience.

CARING FOR MY LOVING MOTHER: After my father's passing, I took on the responsibility of caring for my mother, who has been bravely battling cancer. This journey has deepened my understanding of love, sacrifice, and the importance of family.

Through this experience, I've learned the value of empathy, patience, and selflessness. These lessons have shaped me into the person I am today and have influenced my ministry.

ROOTS OF MY FAITH: My schooling in Veerapalli, a small village with a strong Catholic presence, and Badvel, a nearby town, played a significant role in shaping my faith. The values of community, prayer, and service that I learned during those formative years have stayed with me and guided me in my journey.

DISCOVERING MY CALLING: As I grew older, I felt a calling to serve the Lord and His people. I joined the Missionaries of the Sacred Heart and I was ordained on September 16, 2006. My ministry has taken me to various places, including thirteen years as a Formator in the seminary, where I had the privilege of guiding and mentoring young men discerning their vocation.

PARISH MINISTRY: I also had the opportunity to serve in parish ministry for six years, three years in Australia and three years in India. These experiences broadened my understanding of different cultures and communities, and I was able to serve God's people in diverse contexts.

More later.

Fr. Prasad RAO MSC