

Ballineaspig Parish Bulletin

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

Holydays: As Announced

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2nd Nov . 2025 - Offertory: €2316

Dedication of Lateran Basilica

Shrines: €365

PARISH NOTICES:

Autumn Dues: Dues envelopes are available at all Church doors. Contributions can be handed into the **Parish Office, the Sacristy, Fr. Donal's house** or with the **Sunday collection**.

Youth Ministry Special Collection: this weekend November 8th & 9th, 2025 The Youth Ministry Special collection will take place **this weekend**. Please be as generous as you can as we cannot do this without your support. Investing in our young people is vital for the future of the Church.

Cork Simon Community: Cork Simon Community would like to thank all who contributed so generously to their recent Church gate collection which amounted to €1737.

November Blessing of Graves: St. Finbarr's Cemetery—Sunday 9th Nov at 2.30pm

Christmas Fair Meeting: This Monday, 10th Nov. we hope to have a short meeting of all our volunteers who might help us with our Fair on Sunday 30th Nov. We hope to gather for half an hour or so in the Crypt **at 7pm**.

Training for New Ministers of the Eucharist

There will be training for new and existing Ministers of the Eucharist on next **Thursday, 13th November from 7.30pm to 9.00pm** in the Parish Office hosted by Lorraine Buckley, Faith Development Co-Ordinator, Cork and Ross Diocese.

Also, the rota for the coming year is now available for collection from the Sacristy this weekend. Please collect your Rota as soon as possible.

Mass Intentions : Week 8th to the 15th November, 2025

Tuesday, 11th November - 9.30am - Peg Herrick

Wednesday, 12th November - 9.30am - Fran and Frank Hayes

Thursday, 13th November - 9.30am - Decd. Members Axson & Newman families

Friday, 14th November - 9.30am - John Keenan

You are God's building

This weekend we celebrate the Dedication of the Lateran Basilica in Rome. It is regarded as the Mother Church because it is the oldest Christian church in Rome, built on the Lateran Hill on a tract of land given by the first Christian Emperor, Constantine. It is not the oldest in the world, the earliest were built in what is now Armenia; many of them still existing, built into mountains. But the Lateran Basilica has a special place in the heart of the Catholic Church and its dedication is so important as to supplant the particular Sunday. The earliest Christians lived in communities, but no building that might be regarded as a church; mostly they gathered in people's homes. St Paul, in his Letter to the people of Corinth, tells them they are God's building or temple and cautions them against fighting and arguing with each other, but rather that they must not destroy that temple because the spirit of God 'is living in you'. When you read that the Temple as described in the Gospel this weekend, the one where Jesus drives away the sellers of the offerings, is later destroyed, you realise how prophetic the words spoken both about the Temple itself and 'the sanctuary that is my body'.

God's building here in Dennehy's Cross is very much from the people. It may have been part of the Rosary of Churches as conceived by Bishop Lucey, who also gave the idea of its unusual design. But it was the people that made it possible. The new houses were full of young families who gave of their efforts to raise the money week after week, year after year. It must have a meant great sacrifice and effort; the late fifties and early sixties were not known for big earnings and money was scarce. The whole process of asking people would have difficult but it was achieved and many of the people who made this possible are still with us. So, in a very real sense, the dedication of the Mother Church in Rome will also remind us of the Mother Church here among us and that spirit of God is living in us.

Fr Donal



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

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