

Ballineaspig Parish Bulletin

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Mass Times:

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

Holydays: As Announced

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2nd Sunday of Advent

30th Nov. 2025 Collection: €2161

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PARISH NOTICES:

Feast of the Immaculate Conception

Monday 8th December, Mass times: **9.30am and 11.00am**

Prayer Circle for Vocations: -

Saturday, 6th December at 2pm in Parish Room.

Vincent de Paul Christmas Collection:

Weekend of the 13th & 14th Dec.

Dennehys's Cross Active Retirement Group:

Our Christmas lunch is next Thursday, 11th December in the Kingsley Hotel at 12.30pm. We have a few spaces left for members and non-members. See you all there.

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

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.

Mass Intentions : 6th December, to the 13th December 2025

Saturday, 6th Dec. - 6.15pm - (1)Ann Studdert Gowing,(2)Denis & Derek Kiely, (3)Hector Africa

Sunday, 7th Dec - 9.00am - Jim Irwin

11.00am - (1) Ann McCarthy (2) Hannah & Dan Jones

Monday, 8th Dec - 9.30am - (1) Special Intention (2) Special Intention

11.00am - Brendan Nott

Tuesday, 9th Dec - 9.30am - Moira Coveney

Wed. 10th Dec. - 9.30am - Clement & Annie O'Regan

Thurs. 11th Dec. - 9.30am - Gerry Newman

Fri. 12th Dec. - 9.30am - Bernadette O'Loughlin

Pruning for Fruitfulness

Despite the unpredictability of heavy November showers, Christy was in the garden tidying up around the fruit trees. It has been a great year for him, producing some of the best pears he has ever grown. Buy now, the suckers have been snipped off and the trees have been cut back almost beyond recognition. "To produce anything worthwhile, you must prune courageously", he assured me "and that goes for your line of business too Father", he added with a knowledgeable nod about relationships and love.

He may be right. Unless there is a pruning of selfishness there cannot be much room for the growth of God's love.

Advent is a pruning time:

- A time to cut back on our comforts to be able to share generously with others.
- A time to eradicate the suckers of selfish habits
- A time to focus on relationships with each other and with God.
- A time to become more aware of God's daily love for each of us.
- A time to being joy and hope and to treasure each day as we welcome Jesus

In this weekend's Gospel, John the Baptist is a powerful voice on the need for repentance.

Fr. Tom Clancy.



Thank you:

Fr. Donal and team would like to extend their heartfelt thanks to all the volunteers and generous donors who helped make the first annual Christmas Fair such a wonderful success. Your time, energy and kindness brought this event to life—from setting up stalls and welcoming visitors to donating gifts, baked goods, and resources. Because of your dedication and support, the fair was not only joyful and festive but also a true reflection of the spirit community and Christmas giving. Thanks to your generosity, we are delighted to share that the funds raised will be donated to our chosen charities: our sister Parish in Turkwel, Kenya, The church in India led by Fr. Thomas and the St. Vincent de Paul Society. Your support will make a meaningful difference to these communities, both near and far. Thank you for helping us build a tradition we can continue and grow for years to come.