

Ballineaspig Parish Bulletin

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

Holydays: As Announced

Bulletin 30th August, 2026
22nd Sunday Ordinary time

23rd August : Collection: €1566
Shrines: €260

PARISH NOTICES

First Friday: Next Friday, 4th September, is the first Friday of the month. There will be Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament after the 9.30am Mass until 11.00am. All welcome to attend.

Dennehy's Cross Bridge Club: We will re-open on tomorrow **Monday, 31st August** in the Crypt from 2.00pm to 4.00pm. All are welcome. Bridie Tobin.

Alpha Youth Information Sessions for Parishes: We are using the Alpha Youth as a tool to connect with young people aged 12—17 in our parishes, giving them an opportunity to explore life's big questions and deepen their understanding of the Catholic Faith in a welcoming and engaging environment. We are inviting Priests and potential Youth Leaders to an Information Session on Monday, 7th September at Mardyke House at 7.00pm. The session will introduce the programme and provide practical guidance on how Alpha Youth can be run in your Parish/Family of Parishes. For more information or to register your attendance, please contact Sheila Kelleher at youthministry@corkandross.org.

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 for more info about this weeks readings.

Mass Intentions 29th August to the 5th September, 2026

Saturday, 29th August - 6.15pm - Kathleen, Robert & Pat O'Sullivan

Sunday, 30th August - 9.00am - Joan Earley

11.00am - Ann Jones Ryan

Friday, 4th September - 9.30am - Marian Floyd

Letter from America

My time is coming to an end here and soon I leave for home. At the weekend I got to see the progress people are making in the rebuild after the fires of early 2025: one of my friends who had just a little place is two thirds of the way in her new home. I gave her some Irish table linen that friends here in Cork gave me and she is pleased at that. We walked through her new building and I added a blessing on one of the beams; many of her friends in church had left blessings and quotes from the Scriptures on those beams. All around her people are at different stages: some are complete, others have not broken ground. It all depends on your design and your insurance plan. There are also some benefits from settlement of a liability case against the main electrical provider in the area. It is doubtful that the same level of damage would have been in Ireland; our houses are constructed differently: most of them here are framed in wood and fireballs came flying onto peoples roofs: they were gone in minutes; a different world. Those who had proper insurance were lucky.

Last Thursday evening I joined about 15,000 people for a performance of Beethoven's Ninth Symphony at the Hollywood Bowl, a huge outdoor arena with a stage shaped like a huge shell set against the hillside. It was preceded by a wonderful premiere performance by a poet, the LA Symphony, and the Los Angeles Children's Chorus. The poet was Amanda Gorman whose poem "The Hill We Climb" marked the inaugural of Joe Biden as US President in 2021. When you go to the Bowl, everyone brings a picnic to eat in the hour or so before performance at 8pm. It's a great relaxing time as the day is cooling outside. Up on the hillside is a large cross which is floodlit every Easter morning; a huge dawn service marks the Resurrection at the Bowl

On Sunday I joined the Mijares family at their 104 year old restaurant for Brunch. Their grandmother, Jesusita began making tacos from her kitchen in 1920, and they are there ever since. It is now the oldest Mexican restaurant in all of California.

I hope to concelebrate Mass my final day here, it is a school Mass for the beginning of term. I will offer that Mass for you my parishioners and in thanksgiving for the home team who looked after the parish while I was away.

See you soon.

Fr. Donal

