

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 6th September 2026,
23rd Sunday Ordinary time**

**30th August : Collection: €2151
Shrines: €185**

PARISH NOTICES

World Youth Day 2027 Launch: The Diocese of Cork & Ross is planning a pilgrimage for young adults (18-30) to the World Youth Day in South Korea, from late July to early August, 2027. This will be a journey of faith and prayer, giving young adults the opportunity to deepen their relationship with Christ, join Pope Leo, and journey with hundreds of thousands of young Catholics from around the world. An information evening will be held on Wednesday, 16th September at 7.00pm in Mardyke House, cork (T12W8RP). We encourage all interested young adults to attend to learn more about the pilgrimage, the programme, costs, fundraising opportunities and the registration process. To register, email youthministry@corkandross.org

Mass Animated by Young Adults: This takes place on the second Sunday of each month, with the next celebration on Sunday, 13th September at 7pm in Ss.Peter and Paul's Church. All welcome. There will be refreshments available after in the Parish centre.

Volunteer Opportunity - Minister of the Eucharist: Cork University Hospital is currently inviting volunteers to serve as Ministers of the Eucharist. If you are interested please contact Julianna Crowley, Lead Chaplain (087)7525267.

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

Mass Intentions the 5th September, 2026 to the 12th September, 2026

Saturday, 5th September - 6.15pm - Cormac Shinnick

Sunday, 6th September - 9.00am - Pauline Meehan

11.00am - Abraham & Mary Heffernan

Monday, 7th September - 9.30am - In thanksgiving

Tuesday, 8th September - 9.30am - Brid O'Sullivan

Wednesday, 9th September - 9.30am - Pat Irwin

On Forgiveness and Correction

This Sunday is unusual because the 3 Mass Readings are on the same theme ... forgiveness and correction. I think it is a pity that the Readings are not interconnected every Sunday.

First Reading: Ezekiel warns the people of the likelihood of an invasion of Israel by the Babylonians. It will be the duty of every person to act as a sentry. And anyone who fails to correct an errant sentry must share in the guilt of that sentry. ***"O that today you would listen to his voice ! Harden not your hearts"***. (Today's Responsorial Psalm).

Second Reading: Paul reminds us that all the commandments are summed up in one sentence. ***"You must love your neighbour as yourself. Love is the one thing that cannot hurt your neighbour; that is why it is the answer to every one of the commandments."*** Love is always ready to make allowances, to trust, to hope and to endure whatever comes. (I Cor 13:6). Paul also wrote that ***"God in Christ was reconciling the world to himself, and he has entrusted to us the news that they are reconciled."***

Today's Gospel: Today's gospel treats the correction of somebody as a community responsibility. ***"If he does not listen, take one or two others along with you"***. It might be a family community or a community of friends. Many years ago, I accompanied a confrere to a session in a Rehabilitation Centre. One man in the group had an alcoholic problem which he staunchly denied. Then one after another, his coterie of family and friends lashed into him by recalling the embarrassing occasions he caused at weddings or other occasions. He tried to laugh it off until suddenly he buried his head in his hands and burst into tears. This sort of correction is called tough love.

Correction in kindness: Cardinal Roncalli of Venice (later Pope John XXIII) paid a visit to a priest who was giving scandal. On seeing his bishop at the door, he must have expected what we call a belt of the crozier. No, what they had was a friendly chat until the Cardinal knelt before the priest and asked him to hear his confession. He reminded the priest of his vocation and ministry. He was one who would not break the bruised reed or quench the smouldering flax. Taking correction is not easy, but remember that it is the Lord who speaks through those who come in his name to offer us correction.

"O that today you would listen to his voice, harden not your hearts. (Psalm 94).

Fr. Sylvester O'Flynn OFM Cap.