

Offertory Collections 27th Jan

Ahiohill €308 Castletown €370
Enniskeane €1523

Building Fund

Reminder collection this weekend.

Recent Death

Pray for the peaceful repose of the soul of Dr Fionnuala Quigley, Ballineen. May she rest in peace.

Sympathy is extended to the family of the late Nellie Marshall (nee Manning) Desert and Essex, England who died recently in England.

Parish Assembly

Meeting on Mon Feb 4th at 8pm in Gort Mhuire. All P.A. members please attend.

Spring Stations

Droumfeigh, Gortaleen, Buckaree at the home of Finbarr & Mary Galvin on Tues Feb 5th, at 7.30pm.

Stations may be booked for dates in Feb, March and April.

Follow on Alpha course

"A life worth living" by Nicky Gumbel will be starting on Thurs 7th Feb in Ballymoney Hall at 8pm. All Welcome.

Saint Blaise

Saint Blaise was a bishop in Armenia in modern day Turkey who was martyred in the early fourth century. Tradition holds that he is associated with healing of diseases of the throat. Hence, throats are blessed on his feast-day on Feb 3rd.

People who may so wish can have their throats blessed after each of the Masses this weekend (Sat and Sunday.)

Community Notices

Ahiohill Ladies Club

Meeting in Ahiohill Parish Hall on Mon 4th Feb at 8.30pm. All welcome.

Get fit for summer

Aerobics continue every Tues at 8pm in Ahiohill Parish Hall.

Keelnameela Ladies Football

Indoor training commences on Tues 5th Feb for U14/U16 at 6.30pm and Thurs 7th Feb for Minor/Junior at 9pm in St Oliver Plunketts Spots Hall. New members most welcome

Ahakeera Drama Society

present their 3 act comedy "All The King's Horses" in Gaggin Community Hall on this Sun night, Feb 3rd at 8.30pm.

BEAHG - Ballineen Enniskeane

Area Heritage Group

Dr David J Butler Historical Geographer UL will lecture on the history of family and Irish Ancestry in his topic entitled 'Tracing your West Cork Ancestors' in Gort Mhuire on 8 Feb 2013 - 8 pm sharp. Adm €5. Be part of it, it's part of you.

Ahiohill Festival Committee

will hold their AGM on Thurs 21st Feb in the Four Winds Bar at 9pm. New members welcome. Contact 086 3666825

Gort Mhuire

Mass will be celebrated on Thurs 14th Feb at 10am

Thought for today

"The greatest oak was once a little nut who held its ground"

The Newsletter is published and printed at the Parish Office. Priority is given to content relating to the faith community of Enniskeane Parish. Other notices may be published when space permits. These may be left at the Parochial House or emailed to parishoffice@enniskeaneparish.ie before 11am Thursday.

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Parish Bulletin

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Parish Dues envelopes

This year, each household in the parish will receive a set of four envelopes which parishioners are invited to use for their quarterly offerings for the priests. These are not extra offerings! They are for the offerings that are traditionally given as Spring Dues (Feb/Mar), Easter Offering, Autumn Dues (Sept/Oct) and a Christmas Offering. These form the principal part of the income provided by the people for the clergy in the parishes.

The Dues envelopes may be brought to the local Station Mass in each area or handed into the churches or the parochial house. The Easter and Christmas Offering are usually put in the collection baskets at those times.

Envelopes have already been posted to homes where the local Station takes place in these weeks. The remainder will be posted or delivered in coming weeks. Many thanks to parishioners for your continuing kindness.

BEDA Playground

Congratulations to the Ballineen Enniskeane Development Association which has been awarded a grant of €200,000 towards the cost of developing a modern playground in our community, near the BEDA Hall. This success is a tribute to the hard work of the committee and their supporters and friends. The

playground will be a wonderful amenity for children and families in our community.

They still need to raise the remainder of the cost locally. The entire project which will cost €267,000 will include the creation of a multi-sport court, children's playground, adult fitness zone and upgraded parking facilities. With support of the entire community, no doubt, the goal will be achieved and our community will benefit from this work for years to come.

Answering the Call

"And I want to say to young people who may be here today or watching this inspiring liturgy on television. Listen to Christ speaking in your heart. He is calling some of you to leave your everyday life and to follow him as a priest, just as he called Canon Crean and the other priests here today. In the depths of your heart, you will know it when he calls you, even if, for a time, you try to ignore it. Don't be afraid. Be courageous and follow his call and you will find a joy that the world cannot understand."

- Papal Nuncio, Archbishop Charles Brown speaking at the ordination of Bishop William Crean in Cobh last Sunday.

Calls to the Housebound/Sick

Visits will be made on Thurs 7th and Fri 8th Feb.

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