

Offertory Collection - 24th Nov

Ahiohill €251 Castletown € 578
Enniskeane € 1409

Building Fund

Reminder - Collection this weekend

Youth Choir

Practice on Wed 4th Dec at 7pm in Enniskeane Church. (Note date change)

Community Care

Christmas Dinner Sun Dec 1st in the BEDA Hall at 1.30pm Dinner, evening tea, free raffle, free bingo, great prizes. Dancing to John O'Sullivan. Cost €18.

Parish Calendar 2014

On sale for €5. Copies will be available at the churches after Mass, the parish office and local retail outlets. It can also be purchased online from the Parish website www.enniskeaneparish.ie

Chiropody

The Chiropodist will attend the BEDA Rooms on Wed 4th Dec by appointment only. Tel 023 8847153

Ahiohill IFA

Annual General Meeting on Wed 4th Dec at 8.30pm. All welcome.

Console Christmas Celebration of Light

Console Christmas Celebration of Light will take place in the Sacred Heart Church (M.S.C.), Western Road, Cork on Sun 8th Dec at 4.00pm. The Celebration of Light commemorates the lives of loved ones lost through suicide. Refreshments served.

Today's Thought

"Keep your friendships in good repair"

Community Notices

Pop Up Boutique -

Sale of New & Gently Used Items in Murphy's Butcher Shop Ballineen on Sat 14th Dec 9.00am to 6.00pm. All proceeds from the sale will go towards the BEDA Playground Fund. People wishing to donate items to the sale can bring Clothes (men's, women's & children's), Shoes, Handbags, Accessories, Toys & Household Items to Murphy's Butcher Shop Wed 4th & Thurs 5th Dec 7.30pm-9.00pm; Sat 7th Dec - 2-4pm; Wed 11th & Thurs 12th Dec - 7.30-9.00pm. We will not accept Books, CDs, Computer Games, Underwear or Electrical Items.

Castletown Fundraising

Annual bazaar in aid of Enable Ireland will be held on Sun Dec 15th at 1pm. in Castletown Hall. Santa arrives at 2pm. The Committee would be grateful for help & donations. Collectors calling Dec 2nd-14th. Please support.

CAHCS

presents 'Memories of an Agriculture Instructor' by the legendary Kevin Twomey, in An Caipín, on Wed. 4th Dec at 8.30pm. Non members €5, Everybody welcome.

Children's Art Classes

Gort Mhuire on Wed 4th Dec (Drawing Techniques) Age 7-12yrs at 3.30-5.30pm
Sat 7th Dec, (Christmas Themed) Age 5 to 7yrs at 11am-1 & 8-12yrs at 2.30-4.30 No materials required. Cost €12
Deirdre Whyte 086 3395108

Plunketts GAA

Annual General Meeting in the Clubhouse on Fri 6th Dec at 8pm

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Free

Parish Bulletin

Dec 1st, 2013

Advent 2013

The word Advent comes from the Latin 'adventus', meaning 'coming'. The season of Advent is the start of a new year in the life of the Christian community. The year begins with a looking forward to the second coming of Jesus at the end of time. There is a sense of movement and anticipation.

The Lord is coming. We are also moving towards Christmas. We are lifting our souls towards God. And we are moving always towards the end times and the second coming, as Jesus himself reminds us in today's Gospel.

A couple of questions we could reflect on today: Why do we need this 'lead-in' time to Christmas? What are my hopes and goals for Advent? Where do I want to be in my faith journey, come Christmas day?

If we decide we want to get somewhere, we have to take steps to get there – for example, when we decide on a particular career path we have to undertake the right training and experience. Perhaps this Advent we would like to spend more time in prayer, to be more patient, or to get involved in our local community. What is the point of Advent, if we don't end up somewhere different from where we started?

There is a sense of anticipation in today's readings. Saint Paul tells us 'the night is almost over, it will be daylight soon.' We need to get moving.

Advent Wreath

We light and bless the first candle on our advent wreaths this weekend in each of our three churches. Perhaps we could also set up a simple Advent wreath at home. In this way, our homes, too, can be places of spiritual preparation for Christmas.

Community Carols

Each year as we approach Christmas, the Christian community in our area comes together in song and prayer. The Community Carol Service rotates between the Catholic, Church of Ireland and Methodist congregations and this year it is being organised by the Church of Ireland community and it will be held at Kenneigh Church on the evening of Sunday Dec 1st at 8.30pm

Small items of baking, etc., are welcomed and consumed with tea afterwards! There is also a collection in aid of local charities. No admission charge.

First Friday Calls

The monthly calls to the sick and housebound will be made on Thurs 5th & Fri 6th Dec at the usual times.

Station

Keelnacrannagh, Castlelands and Teadies Upper on Friday Dec 6th at 8pm at the home of Una Hennessy.

Open House

DJ Murphy's Killumney Sunday 1st Dec 12noon - 8pm.

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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