# Offertory Collection - 22nd Dec

Ahiohill € 325 Castletown €407 Enniskeane € 1503

## Offertory Collection - 29th Dec

Ahiohill €293 Castletown €380 Enniskeane €1371

# **Building Fund**

Collection this weekend

## **Recent Baptisms**

Welcome to the Christian Community -Fionn Barrett, Keelnameela Fionn Nugent, Belrose Lucca & Amelie O'Neill, Coppeen Fionn Keane, Waterford Doireann O'Connell, Gorey, Wexford Ria Hennessy McCarthy, Desert

# **Recently Deceased**

Sympathy is extended to the family of the late Donal Walsh, Bandon and Ahiohill who was buried recently.

#### **Parish Booklet**

Members of the Parish Assembly are considering compiling a book about our parish. Anyone with an interest is welcome to be part of a meeting to tease out the idea. This exploratory meeting is on Monday eve, Jan 6th, at 8.15pm at The Parochial House.

If it goes ahead, the book might contain a summary of the faith events in our parish in the past year, items of historical interest, lists and photos of parishioners who received the different sacraments, as well as short stories to inspire us.

# Reflection

"He who comes, comes to us now in the silence, in the darkness, in the confusion, in the loneliness as Word and as Light as Truth and as Love. Emmanuel God-with-us now'

## **Community Notices**

#### Ceili Classes

Ceili classes continue every Wednesday night in Castletown hall. Advance and beginners welcome any night. Children 8 -9pm. Adults 9 - 10.20pm

#### Thank You

Terelton Macra na Feirme would like to thank everyone who supported their coffee morning and cake sale which was to raise funds for the All-Ireland Semi Final of a Light Entertainment Competition which will be held in Cappoquin on Jan 18th. If anyone is interested in going to support them contact 0238847255.

# Chiropodist

BEDA Rooms on Wed Jan 8th by appointment only 023 8847153

# Tastes and Tales of the Galley

- a cook book with tales from the Galley Head and surrounding areas, the brain child of a young teenager from the parish, Claire McCarthy, who decided to help raise funds for the Ardfield/Rathbarry rowing club to help with their financial situation. It can be purchased at Super Valu Clonakilty, Rathbarry Post Office or directly from Claire on 023 8847390.

## St Oliver Plunketts

Thank you to all who participated in the Christmas Morning Swim.

# **West Cork Wheelchair**

Dunmanway branch wish to extend sincere thanks to everybody who subscribed so generously to their recent Church gate collection. (€514.38)

# Today's Thought

"Never test the dept of the water with both feet."

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.

# **Enniskeane and Desertserges**

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Parish Bulletin

Jan 5th, 2014

Jan 6th — Holyday

Monday, the 6th of January is the Feast of the Epiphany of the Lord and a holyday which Catholics are obliged to keep. The feast marks the arrival of the announcement of the birth of the Saviour to the people outside of Palestine — represented in the bible by the three kings from the east.

Masses in the parish for the holyday as follows: 10 am in Ahiohill; 10.30am in Enniskeane and 7.30pm in Enniskeane.

## It's your busy time Father!

This line is heard so often in December and January that we should probably sing it in a Christmas Carol!! The perception is that a priest's life is extra busy in the weeks around Christmas, and there is a bit of truth in it but it's not the full story. The unseen part is that life would be impossible in a parish were it not for the wonderful service provided in the background by so many people. Church leadership has been urging Catholics in recent decades to understand the Church as "The People of God" - a term that includes all the baptised. We still have work to do to convince everyone that this is a reality but, fortunately, in this parish we are well on the way.

There's a huge risk of causing offence to people who are omitted when lists are compiled – but the alternative is to never say thanks. So, for all the ministry and various services provided to God and his people in Enniskeane and Desertserges, heart-felt thanks to

Altar servers, their parents, rota organisers and supervisors; Altar Society members and those who decorate our churches and erect the cribs; children who present the Gifts at Mass and the people who support them; choir directors, choir members and organists and musicians; church cleaners; church grounds keepers; collectors at Mass; Ministers of the Eucharist; Ministers of the Word, including our new young readers; Parish Assembly members; Parish Finance Committee members; Parish Safeguarding Representatives; people who count and sort the collections; people who open and close the churches; prayer group organisers; sacristans and assistants at the three churches; secretaries at the parish office; school teachers who support the faith development of children; young people who read the Prayer of the Faithful; and the host of people who can be counted on to say "yes, I'll see to it" when a wide of things need to be done.

Thank you

#### **Station**

Tullymurrihy, Cashelmore & Cashelcommons at the home of Brendan & Teresa Crowley on Fri 10th Jan at 7.30pm

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