

## Offertory Collection - 9th Feb

Ahiohill €195 Castletown €363  
Enniskeane €1456

## Lourdes Pilgrimage Fund :

Totalled €1903

## Recently Deceased

Please pray for the peaceful repose of the soul of Anne (Nan) Hurley late of Cork & Killeens who was buried in Ahiohill this week

## Spring Stations

Ballineen & Enniskeane Villages at Gort Mhuire on Mon 17th Feb at 7.30pm  
Curraghcrowley at the home of Denis & Hilary O'Riordan on Fri 21st Feb at 7.30pm

## St Josephs Young Priests

Monthly meeting on Tues 18th Feb in Gort Mhuire at 8.30pm. All welcome.

## Community Games

Enniskeane and Districts will be holding their annual Church gate collection at all churches in parish this weekend. All monies collected go towards affiliation fees, insurance and running costs of various events at local level. As always your generosity is much appreciated

## One Direction Tickets

BEDA are currently selling raffle lines for a pair of seated tickets for the sold out One Direction Concert in Croke Park in May. Lines are available from Ballineen & Enniskeane Post Offices and Collins' Butcher Shop. Volunteers are required to help sell lines in the Riverview Shopping Centre, Bandon on Sat 22nd Feb. Anyone available to help out can contact Mary @ 086-3693818 or email [mary\\_jo@eircom.net](mailto:mary_jo@eircom.net) This is a BEDA Playground Fundraiser.

## Community Notices

### Ahiohill Ladies Club

Celebrating 25th Anniversary- Jan 1989 - 2014. A celebration Dinner will be held in Fernhill House Hotel on 28th Feb at 7.30pm. (sharp). To reserve your seat contact: Liz 086-2318870 or Angela 087-6741143. All welcome.

### Ahiohill Charity Run

Bike, Tractor, Car Vintage & Classic Charity Run plus a 5km Walk on Sun 2nd Mar. Proceeds to Rapid Response and Co Action. Details from Jim 087 6429044

### Coffee Day

Sleepy Bunnies Parent & Toddler Group will hold a Coffee Day & Cake Sale in the BEDA Hall on Mon 17th Feb 9.30 - 4 pm. Proceeds to the Great Fire Run in aid of the BEDA playground & the Irish Guide Dogs. Childrens activities, raffle etc on the day. Baking donations welcome

### Castletown Ladies Club

presents 'Places I've Been' a slide show & talk by Colum Cronin. on Tues 18th Feb, 8.15pm. Everybody welcome.

### Diarmuid O'Mathunas GAA

Table quiz on Fri 21st Feb in An Caipin at 8pm. Teams of four - €10 per adult and €5 for schoolgoers. Visit Mathunas new Facebook page [www.facebook.com/diarmuid.omathunagaclub](http://www.facebook.com/diarmuid.omathunagaclub) where people can view news, fixtures, results and photos

### Book Sale

St Mary's National School Enniskeane Parents Association are holding a second hand book sale in the school on Wed 26th Feb 3.30 - 5pm & Thurs 27th 5-7.30pm. Childrens books only can be given to any member of the Parents Association.

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## People of God

It's news in itself to see how Pope Francis makes news! In recent months he has been featured on the front of Time magazine and on the front of Rolling Stone as being the most mentioned person on Twitter and on Facebook. It's clear that he has captured people's interest, curiosity and commentary.

And while many commentators say that he plans to 'reform' the Catholic Church, Pope Francis has not veered in his teaching from the core message of Jesus or the traditional teaching of the Church down through the ages. But there are changes.

The principal change Pope Francis has made is in recognising the power of the visual and the power of symbol. The Church has been for centuries using symbols as a core part of its ministry but it has also lagged behind mainstream culture in recent decades in this respect. A culture formed by television and the internet communicates and understands itself principally by the visual rather than by the written word. In fact, Church leaders have often gotten embroiled in controversies in recent decades because of their poor choice of language in their messages.

Pope Francis brings the gift of appreciating the power of conveying meaning through actions, images and gestures. In this, he takes us right back to Our Lord who performed miracles, sat at table with

the uninvited, reached out his hand to those on the margins, and called us all to see that all people all called to be the People of God, Pobal Dé. In this is the basic definition of the Church. If we all could appreciate this and implement its meaning, then that would truly be a reformation of the Church.

## The Joy of the Gospel

Fr Kevin O'Gorman SMA, Maynooth will explore the contents of this latest document by Pope Francis and what it means for us today in our parishes in Ireland. Fr Kevin will offer his insights from the document and offer an opportunity for discussion and questions.

Fri 28th February at the Clonakilty Parish Centre from 3-5pm. To book a place please contact 021 4537474. There is no charge to attend this talk. A Faith Development initiative of Cork & Ross Pastoral Development Office

## Holy Land Pilgrimage

June 6th - 16th 2014. Spiritual Director Fr John Newman. Information from [culturaltoursireland@gmail.com](mailto:culturaltoursireland@gmail.com) or 086 8337681 (Micheal deBarra)

## Church Directory

The 2014 Directory is available in the Church sacristy at a cost of €5.00

## Today's Thought

"Middle age is when you are asked to slow down by a doctor instead of a policeman"

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](mailto:parishoffice@enniskeaneparish.ie) before 11am Thursday.

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