Offertory Collection 15th March

Ahiohill € 123 Castletown € 465 Enniskeane € 1093

Irish Bishops Commission

Collection total €1227

Recent Baptism

Welcome to the Christian Community James Lyons, Carhuvouler

Spring Station Masses

- Corran & Ballinard at John & Anne O'Mahony on Fri 27th Mar at 7.30pm
- Knocks at the home of Felix O'Neill on Mon 13th April at 7.30pm
- Ahilnane, Ardkilleen, Coolabawan, Derrigra & Gurteenroe at Edward & Elmarie McSweeney on Fri 17th Apr at 7.30pm
- Curraghcrowley at the home of Michael and Eileen Twomey on Fri Apr 24 at 7.30pm.

5th Sunday of Lent

In the Gospel today we see the image of the wheat grain that falls on the ground and dies. We are reminded of the process of death that comes before new life. Each day we are called to die to our selfishness so that we can be renewed and become who we are meant to be in the eyes of our Creator. Take some time this week to remind yourself of the story of Mahlet, the child on this years Trocaire box by reading the side of your Trocaire box at home. Pray that our lifestyles may be renewed so that young lives like Mahlet's who are experiencing first-hand the destructive effects of climate change may be eased.

Today's Thought

"Not all those who know their minds, know their hearts as well"

Community Notices

Active Retirement

Meeting in the BEDA Hall on Tues 24th Mar. 2.30 - 4.30pm

Daffodil Day

Fri 27th March in aid of Cancer Research. Ladies will be calling to houses in the Ballineen Enniskeane areas.

Ballymoney Flower Club

Meeting on Mon. 23rd March at 8.30pm in Ballymoney Hall .Speaker - Michael Brennan speaking on Health and Home Safety topic Tea, Raffle and a warm welcome for everyone .

BEAHG Heritage

Celine Nyhan lectures on living and working at the bottom of the world. Talk titled 'Enniskeane to Antarctica' on 30th March in Gort Mhuire at 8pm.

Ballinascarthy camogie

are hosting a Camogie Fun Morning on Sat 28th Mar at 11am in Ballinascarthy pitch. It is a great opportunity for young girls to start playing camogie, be more active, learn new skills, make new friends and view the facilities available. There will also be light refreshments afterwards for parents and children. All new, past and present players welcome to attend.

Dunmanway Family Resource

will be running the John Sharry Parents Plus Programme for parenting adolescents from Thurs 16th April -10am − 12.30 for 6 weeks. The cost of the programme is a donation of €3-€5 per session to cover costs. Booking is essential. Please contact the Dunmanway Family Resource Centre on 0238856818 or e-mail staff@dunmanwayfrc.com

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Free Parish Bulletin

22nd March 2015

Holy Week and Easter

The weeks fly by and Lent is speeding past! Palm Sunday — the beginning of the commemoration of the Lord's Passion, Death and Resurrection — is on next Sunday March 29th this year. Masses are the same times as other Sunday. Palms will be blessed at each Mass.

Our schedule of ceremonies for Holy Week will be the same as last year (full details next week), including our praying of the Stations of the Cross across the parish.

One extra addition being planned for Easter Sunday morning — early! A gathering for prayer at sunrise on the banks of the Bandon river with our fellow Christians from the other churches in our area. Details to follow.

Do This in Memory

The parent group coordinating the pre-First Holy Communion programme for the parish meets at the Parochial House on Mon 23rd at 8pm to plan for the Palm Sunday Mass.

Parish Finance Committee

Meeting at the Parochial House on Tuesday 24th at 8pm.

Parish Pilgrimage

Knock Shrine and Glenstal Abbey - Sat/Sun 25th – 26th July. All-in 2-day trip for €110 per person. Contact: Parish office: 023–8847769. Deposit of €30

Well done, Coppeen!

There was a great turnout and participation by all ages in the St. Patrick's Day Parade at Coppeen. Congratulations to all who organised it and to all who helped make it happen. (Video and photos on parish Facebook page.)

Soul Food

An evening of information and reflection for men (18-40) interested in religious life. Begins with food at 6.30pm, Wed 25th March at Presentation Brothers, Mardyke House. Contact Anthony at 086-0898120 to book a place. E-mail vocation@PresentationBrothers.org or Visit www.PresentationBrothers.org

Lenten Prayer

Lord Jesus, You came among us to show us how to live life to the full and to prepare for that work you went into the desert for forty days.

During this season of Lent Help us to set aside time to reflect on

what it means for us to live life to the full. Help us to see ourselves as we are and not to be afraid to make changes

Help us to be generous and open to your Spirit who prompts us to do the right thing. Help us to look at the big picture and to know that each of us has a part to play in making the world a better place. Lead us along the path to Easter and a true understanding of the depth of your love. Amen

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