

Offertory Collection:

6th March €1789

Building Fund

Total €2850

Mass Times - St Patrick's Day

Wed 16th Ahiohill 6pm
Enniskeane 7.30pm

Thurs 17th Castletown 10.30am
Enniskeane 12noon

Recent Baptisms

Welcome to the Christian community
Eamon O'Flynn, Curryclough, Bandon
Sean O'Flynn, Knockbrogan, Bandon

Recently Deceased

Kindly remember in prayer the peaceful repose of TJ Scannell, Carhuvouler, who died this week.

Fast for Trocaire

Reminder that the Parish Assembly's Enriching our Faith group - in conjunction with Foroige - are organising a 12 hour fast on Mon Mar 21st. All ages are welcome to participate and it needn't be food that you fast from! You can join the fast from home or work beginning at 7.30am. That evening we will have a short get together at 7.30pm in the BEDA Hall. Janet Twomey from Trocaire will make a short presentation and light refreshments – suitable for the young and not so young – will be available. If you have been using a Trocaire box bring it along with you or if you wish to make a donation, no matter how small, this will be very welcome. For those who would like a sponsorship card, these are available at back of the Church.

Today's Thought

“Experience is never limited, and it is never complete.”

Community Notices

Operation Transformation

St. Mary's NS Parents Assoc - sponsored walk on Sun Mar 13th at 3.30pm. Start and finish at school. Approx 3 miles. Registration €5 on the day. Walk with us.

Desertserges National School

Exhibition & Open Day. Home and School Life in 1916. March 15th from 1-4pm. Authentic Refreshments.

Céilí and social Dance

Castletown Hall on Wed 16th Mar. Music by John O'Sullivan. 8-10:00pm. Everybody welcome. Thanks to all who supported our classes this season.

St Patrick's Day Festival

Coppeen St Patrick's Day Festival will be held at Coppeen on Thurs Mar 17th. This years festival is the 45th event to be held in Coppeen.

The Festival parade will start at the school at 3.00 pm and is expected to include almost thirty floats from all the local organisations and community groups, who will prepare and compete for the Tim Sheehan Perpetual Trophy plus cash prizes for 2nd and 3rd places.

Knit for fun

First Thurs of every month at 9pm in the BEDA Hall. New members welcome.

Personalised Paintings.

Have you a personal picture/ photo that you would like painted? Requests taken by Ballineen/Enniskeane Art group. Tel. 086 3395108



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Parish Bulletin

13th March 2016

Fr Sean McCarthy RIP

In June 1983, Bantry native, Fr Sean McCarthy was appointed PP of this parish and began a special connection with this parish and its people. In the intervening 32 years, he has been a Christ-like shepherd and admired in return for his faith, his enjoyment of people's company and his gentle guiding of the parish.

He will be especially remembered for his commitment to the Station Masses, the pilgrimages to Lourdes, the twinning-trips to France, and his support of the four parish schools — to the point of serving on one of the school boards until just last year!

Fr Sean was blessed to be able to live independently into his 93rd year and to be able to continue to live among the community about which he cared so much. This week, he has been called to his eternal home “a home not built by human hands, in the heavens”.

Fr Sean was ordained a priest in Maynooth on June 18, 1949 along with Bishop Michael Murphy; Fr. Frank Murphy, who died as PP Kilmichael, and Fr Jim Coombes who died in Timoleague.

They were ordained in an Ireland where there was no room for them because the country had too many priests. So Fr Sean's first parish was St Jerome's parish in Hyattsville, Maryland, just outside Washington DC. where he served

for six years.

In 1955, Fr Sean was called home to his first appointment in Cork as Chaplain to St. Maries of the Isle Convent, in the heart of Cork city, and assistant curate in the South Parish. There followed terms in Crosshaven, Our Lady's Hospital as Chaplain, Passage West and back to the South Parish as curate in the 70s, followed by a short time in Turner's Cross in the early 80s before he came to Enniskeane.

It was his wish that he be laid to rest beside the church where he has offered Mass so often. We ask the Lord to give him a kindly welcome home.

May he rest in peace.

Stations

Dromfeigh, Gortaleen, Buckaree - Timothy & Eily Coakley on Fri Mar 18th at 12noon

Coppeen West & Moneygave West - Carmel O'Sullivan & Michael

O'Callaghan on Fri Apr 1st at 7.30pm

Corran & Ballinard - Evelyn O'Neill on Thurs 7th Apr at 7.30pm

Knocks - Dan & Noreen Cullinane on Fri 8th Apr at 7.30pm

Keelnameela, Breaghna & Ballyvoige at Gary & Mary Hansberry on Fri 15th Apr at 7.30pm

Ballineen/Enniskeane Villages - Gort Mhuire on Mon Apr 18 at 7.30pm.

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