

## **Offertory Collection:**

Jan 15th €1,765 Thank You

## **Diocesan Needs Collection** Total: €1.267

## St Joseph's Young Priests

The monthly meeting will take place in Gort Mhuire on Tues. 24th Jan at 8.30 pm. New members most welcome.

## **Parish Assembly**

Meeting for all members at 8pm in Gort Mhuire on Mon 23rd Jan.

## **Involving Young People**

Prayers of the Faithful rota is now being developed in Enniskeane Church. If your child is not already included and would like to participate, please contact Mel 087 7513942 or Nora 086 8773888 (5th & 6th Class children)

#### **Premier Music**

Want to learn to play the ukulele now is your chance. New class beginning next week. Also a few places still available for beginners guitar. Enrolment for piano, keyboard and piano accordion lessons for Sept. For further info contact Annette on 087 4196491

## Ballineen-Enniskeane Tidy Towns Group

We would like to thank Susan Grainger and her Staff in G.P. Wood for supplying the Christmas Tree put up in Ballineen. Thanks to Eileen Scannell and her Staff in Scannells Pharmacy for supplying the power. Thanks to Pat-Joe for putting the tree in place and decorating it. To Andy, Pat and Johnny who stopped to help. Many people contacted us to say how nice it was, and for that we are grateful. Kind words are always welcome.

#### **Active Retirement**

Meeting in the BEDA Hall on Tues 24th Jan from 2.30 - 4.30pm

#### **Oliver Plunketts**

Operation Transformation community walks continue from the clubhouse on Sunday mornings at 11am and Mon & Thurs nights at 8pm. All welcome

#### **BEDA**

The 2017 AGM will be held in the BEDA Community Hall at 8.30pm on Tues 24th Jan. Current members are asked to attend. New members are very welcome.

## **Coffee Morning**

for Seniors at BEDA Hall on Fri 27th Jan between 11am and 1pm. All welcome Enquiries: Rita at 023 8841681.

#### **BINGO**

Sleepy Bunnies Baby & Toddler group will be having a fundraising Bingo night in Gort Mhuire hall on Sat 4th Feb. Jackpot is €100 and refreshments will be served. All welcome

## **Ahakeera Dramatic Society**

presents their 3 Act Comedy Play - "Too Close to Home" on Fri 27th Jan at 8pm and Sun 29th Jan at 3.00pm in Ahakeera Community Hall. A great show assured and support will be greatly appreciated.

## **Training**

Indoor fun, fitness & camogie training in Ballinascarthy Hall on Tuesday nights 6.30-7.30pm for girls U8, U10 and U12 until end of Feb. All welcome. Enquiries 086 4540981

## **Gaggin Dramatic Society**

presents 3 act Comedy "Seperate Beds" Final 2 performances in Gaggin Hall at 8pm on Fri 27th & Sat 28th Jan

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## **Spring Stations**

Shanaway & Phale at the home of John & Veronica Cullinane on Fri 27th Jan at 7.30pm

Keelnameela, Breaghna & Ballyvoige -Michael & Aine Donegan on Fri 3rd Mar Corran & Ballinard - Rose Hurley on Mon 6th Mar at 7.30pm

Dromfeigh, Gortaleen & Buckaree -Mary Barrett on Fri 21st Apr at 12noon Bookings can be made by contacting the Parish Office on 023 8847769

#### **Vocations to Priesthood**

An invitation is extended to men between 18 and 40 who are interested in the Diocesan priesthood as a way of life to join with others for a weekend from Friday 17th 6pm to Saturday 18th 3pm February taking place in Thurles. There is no charge to attend the weekend – please contact Fr Charlie Kiely on 021 4537603 or at charliekiely@gmail.com for further details.

### "Come and See"

Vocations Afternoon 2–4.30 pm on Sat. 18th Feb. For women discerning a religious vocation. Poor Clare Monastery, College Rd. Cork. Check out: www.poorclarescork.ie vocationspoorclarescork@gmail.com

## Today's Thought

"Live can only be understood backwards, but it must be lived forward."

#### The choice is ours

'An old Cherokee is teaching his grandson about life. "A battle is going on inside all of us," he said to the boy. "It is a terrible fight and it is between two wolves. One is evil – anger, envy. sorrow, regret, greed, arrogance, selfpity, guilt, resentment, inferiority, lies, false pride, superiority, and ego. The other is good – joy, peace, love, hope, serenity, humility, kindness, benevolence, empathy, generosity, truth, compassion, and faith. This same fight is going on inside you – and inside every other person, too." The grandson thought about it for a minute and then asked his grandfather, "Which wolf will win?" The old Cherokee simply replied. "The one you feed"."

In a way, it is as simple as that. Each one of us faces hundreds of choices every day. Mostly, they are minor decisions that may not seem important at the time. But they all add up to something. They make us the person we are. Do our choices make us the kind of person who follows Jesus, or the kind of person who goes in the opposite direction?

We can stay stuck where we are, repeating the same old patterns, or we can leave it all behind and choose a new path, like Peter, Andrew, James and John did. They were called, and they took decisive action.

Tríona Doherty

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