

Offertory Collection:

Jan 22nd €2,092 Thank You

Building Fund

Collection at all Masses next weekend



Recent Baptisms

Welcome to the Christian Community Katelynn Crowley, Phale Upper Liam Horgan, Belrose Sadie Bowes, Farranmareen

Spring Stations

Tullymurrihy, Cashelmore, Cashelcommons - Declan & Mary Walsh on Fri 17th Feb at 7.30pm

Keelnameela, Breaghna & Ballyvoige - Michael & Aine Donegan on Fri 3rd Mar at 7.30pm.

Corran & Ballinard - Rose Hurley on Mon 6th Mar at 7.30pm

Coppeen West, Moneygave West - Jim & Margaret O'Callaghan on Fri 31st Mar at 7.30pm

Dromfeigh, Gortaleen & Buckaree - Mary Barrett on **Thurs Apr 20th** at 12noon (note change of date)

Castletown, Garlands, Shanaclough, Ballaghanure & Clonamara - John & Cora Hurley on Fri 26th May - 7.30pm Bookings can be made by contacting the Parish Office on 023 8847769

Parish Catechist course

On Sat 28th Jan, 38 people began the Maryvale Certificate in Catechesis. The group includes three people from our community. We ask you to remember them in your prayers as they begin this two year course in preparation to be commissioned as Parish Catechists.

Oliver Plunketts

Operation Transformation community walks continue from the clubhouse on Sun mornings at 11am and Mon & Thurs nights at 8pm. Great turnout so keep it up. **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.

Ahakeera Dramatic Society

presents their 3 Act Comedy Play - "Too Close to Home" on Sun 29th Jan at 3pm and Fri 3rd Feb at 8pm in Ahakeera Community Hall. Support greatly appreciated.

Ahiohill Pioneers

present 3 act comedy "Too Close to Home in Ahiohill Parish Hall on Sun 5th Feb at 8pm

Ahiohill Ladies Club

Meeting in Ahiohill Parish Hall on Mon 6th Feb at 8pm. Trevor Perrott, Design Consultant will give advice on colour schemes and space management. AGM also takes place on the night.

Castletown Community Centre

presents Ahakeera Players - "Too Close to Home" on Fri 10th Feb at 8pm in Castletown Hall.

Barna Wind Action Group

The raffle that was due to take place on Feb 1st has been postponed until August 1st. We are very grateful for all your support in our campaign to date and we look forward to your continued support. (barnawindactiongroup@gmail.com)

Today's Thought

"Just because everything's different doesn't mean anything's changed."

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.

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Lourdes Pilgrimage

The Diocese of Cork & Ross organises a pilgrimage to Our Lady's Shrine in Lourdes, France, each June from 11th to 16th. In 2016, over 400 people took part in the pilgrimage. Bookings are now being taken for this year.

While in Lourdes, all who attend may partake in all the ceremonies and activities but, in practice, there are three groups of people who attend:

- 1. People who are sick and need assistance while travelling to and staying in Lourdes. This "assisted section" is coordinated by Canon Jim O'Donovan who must be contacted to book a place (021) 4292296. People in this section stay at a special accommodation with hospital care and their travel is subsidised.
- 2. Carers and helpers who give of their time and skills make the pilgrimage by the sick possible. Many are professionals, ie doctors, nurses, paramedics, cooks, but most are just people who pick up the phone and offer to help. There is a subsection within this group for younger helpers (over 18) who are going for the first time. The cost of travel by the helpers is subsidised.
- 3. People from across the diocese who want to experience the prayerful atmosphere and healing spirit of Lourdes. They make their own travel arrangements by contacting-;

Joe Walsh Tours, 117 Patrick St., Cork

(021) 4277959 or www.jwt.ie

The annual collection in aid of the Lourdes Pilgrimage Fund will be taken up this year on the weekend of Feb 11th/12th.

Calls to the sick

The sick and housebound of the parish will be visited on Thursday 2nd and Friday 3rd Feb at the usual times.

Candlemas Day

Thursday Feb 2nd is the feast of the Presentation of Our Lord and Mass includes the blessing of candles for use at home and in the parish for the year ahead. When Jesus was presented in the temple, Simeon's prayer in praise of the Saviour says that Jesus is the "light of the nations". This is why on this day the Church blesses candles at Mass.

A blessed candle brings a blessing from God to the place and people wherever it is used, be it for a Station Mass, a visit to the sick, or family prayer time. Candles left along the altar rails before Mass on Thursday will be blessed at the Candlemas.

St Blaise

Friday Feb 3rd is the Feast day of St. Blaise and the blessing of throats will be at the end of Mass on that day.

Gort Mhuire

Mass will be celebrated in Gort Mhuire on Thurs 9th Feb at 10am

Fr. Tom Hayes PP, Parochial House, Enniskeane. 023-8847769 / 087-9311472 *Email* parishpriest@enniskeaneparish.ie (Off-duty Wednesdays)

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