

## Important dates for young people in the coming year

### FIRST RECONCILIATION (CONFESSION)

- Tuesday March 6th at 7.30pm in Enniskeane Church.

### PARISH CONFIRMATIONS

The dates for the Confirmation Masses for 2018

- March 14th at Enniskeane for pupils of Ahiohill, Coppeen & Kilcolman
- April 10th at Enniskeane for pupils of St. Mary's. Both Masses are at 10.30am

### FIRST HOLY COMMUNION MASSES IN MAY

- Saturday May 12th at St. Joseph's Church, Castletown Kinneigh (Coppeen NS and others);
- Saturday May 19th at Church of the Assumption, Ahiohill (Kilcolman and Ahiohill Schools);
- Saturday May 26th at Enniskeane Church (St. Mary's School, Enniskeane).

All these Masses are at 11am.

## Dates to mark for 2018

- 14 February 2018: Ash Wednesday
- 17 March 2018: St Patrick (Saturday)
- 25 March 2018: Palm Sunday
- 1 April 2018: Easter Sunday
- 3 June 2018: The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ (Corpus Christi)
- 15 August 2018: The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary (Wednesday)
- 1 November 2018: All Saints (Thursday)

## Parish Office hours

Normal hours resume this week.

Names for weekly anniversary list to be handed into the office before Thursday at 11am please. In this way, they will be included in all Masses at the weekend.



## Recently Deceased

We remember in prayer Mary O'Donovan, Grove House, Ballineen (Funeral on Monday at 12 noon).

Mary Cullinane, Rathgormack, Co Waterford & late of Belrose, Enniskeane who was buried in Co. Waterford during the week.

## Castletown Ladies Club

Celebrate Women's Christmas with Castletown Ladies Club + Toddler Group Dinner in C'town Hall, 6th Jan at 7:30pm, entry €15. Music, craic, raffle. Proceeds to Cork Penny Dinners. Non-members welcome. Contact Nuala at 023-8847575 / Rose at 085-1509454. Wishing all our supporters a very happy Christmas.

## Praise through decor

Sincere thanks to the many people who devoted time and their talents along with providing flowers, holly and other materials to clean and decorate our three churches for Christmas.

All three were truly beautifully decorated and help us to pray better in praise of the God who sent his Son.

## Art Calendar 2018

Ballineen & Enniskeane Art Group Calendar 2018 on sale in local businesses €5, proceeds towards: West Cork Rapid Response Air Ambulance & Cancer Connect

## UCC Mature Student/QQI/FE (FETAC) CAO Information Evening

Wednesday 10 January, 6.00 p.m., Lecture Theatre Boole 1 (beside the Boole Library). Relevant for anyone making a CAO application or contemplating same. Personal Statement, budgeting, fees and finance, etc. All welcome

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## Blessings for the New Year

As we stand on the threshold between one year and the next, it is appropriate that we give thanks, ask forgiveness and renew our hope and commitments.

We've a lot to be grateful for each new day that we live. Each moment is precious.

Our humanity and our sinfulness cause us to fail at times so for these moments we turn to the Lord's mercy and the forgiveness of others.

A new year's day ought also to be a festival of opportunities — a chance to begin anew, to make a positive difference in our world and in our relationships.

May the Lord of hope be yours in 2018.

## Spring Station Masses

Bookings are being taken for Station Masses in homes throughout the Spring. The sooner you book a date and time the wider the choice of dates you will have. Book by contacting the parish office or Fr Tom.

- Fri Jan 19th, 7.30pm. Station Mass for Ahilnane, Ardkillen, Coolabawna, Dergrigra, Gurteenroe at the home of Mrs Joan O'Sullivan.

## First Friday Calls

The monthly visits with the Blessed Sacrament to the sick and housebound will be made on Thurs 4th and Fri 5th.

To have someone included on the list of visits, please contact the parish office or Fr Hayes.

## Building Fund collection

The monthly collection for the Parish Building Fund is taken up on the first weekend of each month. The Jan collection is next weekend.

This fund is now depleted. It was used in the past year to refurbish Castletown Church and to extend car parking and build the new toilets at Enniskeane.

The parish has spent almost €300,000 in buildings and grounds in the past year.

Thanks for your support for this fund.

## Christmas Offerings

Sincere thanks to all the people who provide an income for the priests through the quarterly offerings. There is an envelope for the Christmas Offering in the set of four posted out to each home at the start of the year. There are spare ones available in the church porches. Thanks for your kindness throughout the year.

## Mass Timetable

### Monday 1st New Years Day

No morning Mass. Funeral Mass at 12noon.

### Sat Jan 6th Epiphany

10.30 am at Enniskeane  
6 pm at Ahiohill Church  
7.30 pm at Enniskeane Church

### Sunday Jan 7th

10.30 am Castletown Kinneigh  
12 noon Enniskeane

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