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### Active Retirement Meeting

Meeting will be held on April 10th at the BEDA hall from 2:30- 4:30pm. Come and enjoy an evening of light exercise, planned outings, friendship and fun plus a cuppa, Cead Mile Failte. (Apologies for incorrect date in last weeks bulletin)

### Spring Station Masses;

- Tues Apr 3rd at 7:30 at Donie and Norma Walsh for Maulrou, Kileens, Kilmoylane, Crohane
- Fri Apr 6th at 7:30 at Cors and Katrina O'Connell for Knocks
- Fri 13th April at 7:30pm at John and Chrissie O'Flynn for Tullymurryh, Cashelmore, Cashelcommons
- Mon 23rd April at Gort Mhuire at 7.30pm for people living in Ballineenn and Enniskeane.
- Fri May 4th at Vincent and Noreen O'Meara for Coppeen West, Money-gave West

To book a date for a Station Mass, contact the Parish Office or Fr Hayes

### Parish essentials!

Without the dedication and commitment of the members of the parish assembly, it would not be possible to carry out our Holy Week and Easter ceremonies as we do. Most of the background planning and organising is done by the Liturgy working group of the assembly. During April, we will be asking for parishioners to consider being part of the parish assembly for the next three years. Please consider it.

### Cope Foundation

Coffe break in Gort Mhuire on Sat 14th of Arpil from 11am-4:00pm. Please Support.

### CAHCS

CAHCS presents an illustrated lecture by Celine Nyhan, entitled 'ENNISKEANE TO ANTARTICA - Living & working on the White Continent' Wed. 4th April, 8:30, An Caipín. non-members €5. Don't miss this fascinating event. All Welcome.

### Castletown Ladies Club + Parent & Toddler Group

Coffee morning & cake sale on Easter Sun morn in Castletown Hall, after 10:30 mass. Proceed to Castletown Hall Refurbishment & West Cork Rapid Response. Please support.

### Castletown N.S.Past Pupils Re-Union.

Programme for 6th ,7th,and 8th April. Friday 6th : Film "Broken Harvest" 8pm in Community Hall Castletown.Open to the public.

Saturday 7th: Past Pupils Reunion at 7.30pm in Community Hall,

Sunday 8th : Mass 10.30am for deceased pupils and teachers Recital by P.P.s Flageolet Band in Church.

Refreshments in Hall (Old School) after Mass. All welcome.

### Art Exhibition

Ballineen /Enniskeane Art Group are holding an Exhibition, (Art on sale), on Fri 6th April, 7.30-9.30pm in Gort Mhuire, please support.Thanks,

### Open Morning and Enrollment

St. Mary's Preschool, Enniskeane on Sat April 14th 9.30am - 12.30pm.

### Bingo

A Bingo Night will take place on Saturday April 14th at 8.30pm in the B.E.D.A. Hall, Ballineen. This is a fundraiser for Ballymoney N.S. and all are very welcome.

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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Parish Bulletin

April 1st 2018

### Have a blessed Easter!

It's difficult to imagine what it must have been like to be among the first people to know that Jesus had been raised from the dead. The first women and men witnesses to the Resurrection struggled to make sense of it. Some of the apostles didn't believe them! Others thought they were after loosing their senses.

The Christian community grew from one or two people, then to a few more, then to a few dozen, then a few hundred ... then a few nations. So to have to stand out from the crowd because of your faith in Christ is nothing new to Christians.

A headline in last Tuesday's Irish Times caught my eye!

"Young Irish people among the most religious in Europe," it said.

The report was based on reliable research conducted by two universities and using data compiled across all of Europe.

Irish people between the ages of 16 and 29 rank among the most religious in Europe, alongside Poles and Lithuanians, the study found. But when you read down through it, there is a picture of a major change in Irish society and in the Irish Church.

"Some 54 per cent of Irish people in this age bracket identify as Catholic, 5 per cent as belonging to other Christian denominations, 2 per cent as being part of a non-Christian religion, and 39 per cent saying they had no religion." "However of those younger Irish who identify as Catholic, 24

per cent attend church weekly outside of special occasions, while 10 per cent never do so.

On the question of prayer outside religious services, 31 per cent of young Irish people pray weekly, while the same percentage never prays.

"When it comes to younger Irish Catholics, however, those figures are higher with 43 per cent praying weekly and 16 per cent never praying."

For the first Christians and for us the challenge is the same: to witness to the Risen Christ, the Lord of Easter, faithfully, in our time and place.

### Easter Offerings

Thanks to the people who have handed in an Easter Offering for the clergy of the parish. Your generosity is very much appreciated. There is an Easter Offering envelope in the set of four which were posted to each home in the parish at the start of the year. There are some available in the churches as well.

### Bank holiday

Mass in Enniskeane on Easter Monday morning is at 11am.

### Sick calls

The monthly calls to the sick and housebound will be made on Thursday and Friday.

### Donation

The parish has gratefully received a donation of €1,200 to be put towards the cost of refurbishing St. Joseph's Church, Castletown Kinneigh.

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