



Offertory Collection:

Dec 9th: €1969.30. Thank You.

Ballineen Enniskeane Coffee

Morning

On Fri 21st of Dec in the local BEDA Hall from 10.30-12.30. All welcome to gather for tea/coffee and scone with live music and lots of good company.

St Enda's N.S Kilnadur Dunmanway

Open/Vintage Tractor Car Run and 3K & 7k walks on Sunday 30th Dec, Registration at 11.30am in St Enda's N.S Kilnadur. Proceeds to Cancer Connect and St Enda's N.S Kilnadur Dunmanway.

Castletown Church Collector's

Rota

Anyone who would like to help with this rota please contact Jimmy Nyhan 0871278240 or Ger McCarthy 0879954334

Desertserges History

Con McCarthy's history of Desertserges Parish can be purchased at the Enniskeane Parish website and it will be posted to anywhere in Ireland (€26.50) or to the UK (€34.50). There is a secure pay link via PayPal but you don't need a PayPal account -- you can use your credit card. See www.enniskeaneparish.ie

Con will be selling and signing copies of the book at Ballineen P.O. on Tuesday from 2 to 3.30pm. Price €20.

Profits to Br Kevin Crowley's Capuchin Day Centre, Dublin.

Christmas Mass Bouquets

There are Christmas Mass Cards available in the parish office.

Ahiohill Ladies Club

Christmas Night on Monday 17th December at 8pm sharp.

Festive Flower Arranging with Sheila Gilbert. Mulled wine, mince pies, Raffle. Everybody welcome.

Tidy Towns

During the year we planted Herbs, Apple Trees & Strawberries in our New Health Garden or An Gàirdín Follàin at the School line rd. opposite the Garda Station in Ballineen. Please feel free to pick some Herbs. The variety planted are: Chives, Sage, Thyme, Parsley, Rosemary & Mint.

You will have noticed the extra Christmas Decorations going up around the Villages of late. Last Sat our fantastic Foróige Group put together 2 Christmas Trees made out of Tyres. They have been placed on either end of the villages.

We have also erected two Remembrance Trees in both villages. You can still purchase ribbons for €2 in Scannells Pharmacy Ballineen, Centra Ballineen, Enniskeane Post Office, O'Riordans Pharmacy Enniskeane & Centra Enniskeane. All proceeds will go towards the BUMBLEance Children's National Ambulance Service.

On Dec 22nd at 8.30pm a Memorial Walk will take place from BEDA Community Hall visiting each Remembrance Tree with Carols and a moment for Reflection then back to the BEDA Hall for some light Refreshments.

St. Josephs Young Priests Society

The annual Christmas retreat will be held this Sun 16th Dec in Myross Wood at 2.30pm.

Parish Office

The Parish Office will remain closed during Christmas and will reopen on Jan 8th.

Enniskeane and Desertserges

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Parish Bulletin

Dec 16th 2018

'Prepare the Way ...'

Prior to Christmas the local parishes combine to provide community celebrations of the Sacrament of Reconciliation in our churches. The dates are as follows:-

Newcestown Church: Mon 17th at 8pm
Enniskeane Church: Tues 18th at 7.30pm

Bandon Church: Wed 19th at 7.30pm

The format is a short reflective preparation followed by an opportunity to confess to one of the priests and then a community prayer of thanksgiving and blessing.

Christmas Mass times

Christmas Eve: 7.30pm at Enniskeane
9pm at Ahiohill

Christmas Day: 9am at Ahiohill
10 am at Castletown Kinneigh
11.30am at Enniskeane

Christmas Offerings

One of the four season collections for the support of the clergy is taken up at Christmas time. Most people have received an envelope at home. There are envelopes also available at the churches. Thank you for your kindness.

Thought for the day

You may not know what is going to happen when you try, But if you do not try, Nothing will happen.... Keep trying!!!!

Community Carols Service

Advent begins! Preparation for Christmas in our community each year includes a coming together to sing and pray. We join with our fellow Christians in a service of prayer, reflections and carols — hosted yearly on a rota. This year, the Catholic Parish of Enniskeane & Desertserges is hosting the service. Everyone is welcome.

It will be held at the BEDA Hall, Ballineen, at 7.30pm on Sun Dec 16th. It will be followed by light refreshments and everyone is invited to bring and share.

Children are invited to bring a small parcel — either non-perishable food or a gift of a toy — which will be distributed to families in need by SVP. A collection will be taken up in which adults may wish to support the work of the SVP with West Cork families and Cancer Connect.

Re-gifting for SVP

Lots of people receive unwanted/duplicate gifts (toys, clothes, biscuits or other non-perishable foodstuffs etc) for Christmas. This year the parish assembly would like to help you to regift these items to needy people. You can bring these unwanted gifts (wrapped/unwrapped) to Mass on the 5th Jan to Ahiohill or on the 6th of Jan to Castletown/Enniskeane and leave the item under the Christmas trees before or after mass. These items will be collected and donated to the St Vincent de Paul.

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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