



Offertory Collection

Feb 6th: €1250 and Building Fund: €2300. (This amount only reflects money collected at mass and does not include what people have donated online or by standing order) As always, Thank you for your generosity.



Recent Baptisms

We welcome to our Christian community
Molly Nyhan, The Paddock

Who was baptised recently.



Recently Deceased

Kindly remember in prayer the following who died recently:

Kathleen Corcoran, Shanacloagh
Michael O'Mahony, Bridge St
Tommy Twomey, Desert

May they rest in peace.

Ahiohill National School

Now enrolling for September 2022.
Contact 0238839477 or email info@ahiohillns.ie

FR. TOM HAYES PP, Parochial House, Enniskeane. 023-8847769 / 087-9311472
(Calls only)

Email parishpriest@enniskeaneparish.ie (Off-duty Wed)

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Volunteers and Parish Staff

We are deeply grateful to so many people who have generously volunteered as stewards, helped to sanitise churches regularly and helped to implement all safety measures to ensure that people could gather safely and joyfully for Mass and other celebrations since 2020.

We are also grateful to church sacristans, parish secretaries, church collectors who have gone the 'extra mile' to ensure that everything was safe in churches and parishes over the last two years.

Typing Classes

Searsol Typwiz children's Touch Typing classes in Bandon Weds 4pm & new class planned for Weds 5pm.

Improved speed and accuracy in this life-skill for the technological world we now live in.

Text Joan 086-2809433 to register your interest

Ahakeera Drama Group

Presents " Drinking Habits" a two act comedy / farce by Sam Smith on Friday Feb 18th at 8pm and Sunday 20th Feb at 3pm in Ahakeera Hall. Not to be missed.

Thought for the day

"If you refuse to accept anything but the best, you very often get it."

ENNISKEANE AND DESERTSERGES

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Churches at Ahiohill, Castletown Kinneigh and Enniskeane

13th Feb 2022

Updated information re public health measures from Bishop Fintan

Since the recent government announcement on 21st January that most public health measures in place can be removed, the Office of An Taoiseach has added that in light of the fact that some people may be anxious about re-engaging with others 'continuation of some protective measures in places of worship may be preferred, for an interim period, to ensure the safety and well-being of the vulnerable or anxious members of the congregation'.

In light of this it is important that people are encouraged to continue wearing a face covering in the church while priests and Eucharistic Ministers should continue to wear a face covering for the distribution of Holy Communion and in any other liturgical settings that require close contact with people.

Hand sanitiser should continue to be available at entrance and exit doors of churches. It is important that dispensers should be replenished regularly.

While any markers in relation to physical distancing can be removed people should be reminded of the need for physical distancing both inside the church and in its environs.

Choirs

In relation to the gradual return of choirs an assessment should be made of which risk measures should be retained to keep the members as safe as possible to include mask wearing, social distancing and good ventilation. The gradual return of choirs, cantors and church music groups is to be encouraged as we approach the seasons of Lent and Easter taking into account these risk mitigation measures.

Parish Ministries

All other parish ministries including Altar Servers, Ministers of the Word and Eucharist, Funeral Ministry, Baptismal Ministry can resume taking all risk mitigation measures into account.

Sacrament of Reconciliation

As we approach the seasons of Lent and Easter, it is important that people may receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation in our churches and parishes. The Sacrament should continue to be celebrated in the body of the church as it is not best to return to Confession Boxes at this time.

The celebration of the Sacrament of First Penance should take place in the church and not in a school setting.

Ash Wednesday

It is possible for Ashes to be distributed in the usual way on the forehead this year as well as making provision for Ashes to be available in envelopes for those who prefer.