PATRICKSWELL BALLYBROWN NEWSLETTER

This is the final Sunday of Year C and, as we draw to a close, of our reading of Luke's Gospel, we hear the account of Jesus' crucifixion. It is the Feast of Christ the King and this Gospel certainly gives us an opportunity to lay aside a lot of cultural baggage we may have about kings, leaders and kingdoms. Jesus kingdom is unlike the one that Pilate, or many

kingdom is unlike the one that Pilate, or many other earthly leaders know. It is a kingdom built on love, service, justice, reconciliation and peace. Few 'kings' can measure up to this: responding to violence with forgiveness, giving those with no hope a reason to hope. Today's Gospel gives a powerful image of Jesus as servant King, like a beacon light for society in today's world. Who do you know in our world



today who is the more living example of this type of kingship, making daily sacrifices in endless service to those around them? "The power of truth, of honesty, of forgiveness - with no frills! How different the world would be if it was governed by this kind of power". Michel de Verteueil.

- Mercy in Action in Limerick Bishop Brendan invites you to St. John's Cathedral on Sunday 20th November at 4.00pm.
- Readers required in Patrickswell for weekend masses if you are available please give your name to the Sacristan or a member of the Pastoral Council.
- Pilgrimage to Medjugorje Group Leader Joan O'Brien accompanied by Fr Joseph Kennedy 20th September 2017, 7 nights half board. Price €729 inclusive of insurance. €100 off price if paid by 9th Dec. 2016. Flights from Cork to Mostar and return to Cork Airport.

COMHALTAS CHRISTMAS CONCERT

Rehearsals in Kilmurry Lodge Library on Sunday 27th Nov from 4-6pm. All students from Ballybrown & Castletroy along with their families are welcome. Don't forget to bring instruments and notes. Christmas Concert will take place this year on December 15th at University of Limerick. Further details to follow.

- Liam Lawton Concert at the Redemptorists' Church, Mount St. Alphonsus.
 Friday 9th December at 8.00pm. Tickets cost €20. Available from Monastery Shop.
- 45 Drive: Due to popular demand the 45 drive in aid of the Senior Citizens
 Christmas Party will take place Sunday 20th November at 3.00pm in the
 Ballybrown/Clarina Community Resource Centre. Your support will be very much
 appreciated lots of spot prizes.
- VOLUNTEERS NEEDED: Could you volunteer a few hours a week to help out in the Ballybrown/Clarina Community Resource Centre? If you would like to join our rota of volunteers and are available in the afternoons please contact Maura at 087 2565443.

Invitation!!!



You are invited to a Family/Children's

Mass on Sunday 27th November in Ballybrown Church at 10.00am. There will be a practice for this mass on Friday 25th November from 6-7pm in the Church. All children are very welcome to come to the practice and to participate in the mass.

If you would like any further information or would be interested in helping out at the practice night please contact
Julianne McCormack at 087-9478123.
We appreciate your support.

The 16th edition of the Ballybrown Parish Journal

Will be launched in Ballybrown GAA Clubhouse on **Monday November 28th at 9pm** by Richard Kennedy National Vice President of I.F.A. All are welcome. Journal will be on sale for €10 at the launch.

PARISH MASSES

Ballybrown: Monday/Tuesday/Thursday and Friday at 9.30am.

Wednesday at 8.00pm.

Weekends: Saturday at 8.00pm & Sunday at 10.00am.

Adoration: Wednesday 7.00 - 8.00pm

Pre-Baptismal Gatherings: 3rd Monday of the Month at 7.30pm. **Baptisms:** 1st and 3rd weekends of the Month on Sat. 5.00pm and

Sun. 12.30pm.

Patrickswell: Daily mass during the week at 9.30am.

Weekend Masses: Saturday at 6.30pm and Sunday at 11.30am.

Eucharistic Adoration: Saturday 8.00am - 12noon.

Thursdays 7.00pm - 9.00pm.

Pre-Baptismal Gatherings: 2nd Tuesday of the Month at 7.30pm. **Baptisms:** 2nd and4th weekends of the Month – Sat. 5.00pm & Sun.

12.30pm.

Hospital, Nursing Home or Home Visits

If you know of any family member or parishioner who would welcome a pastoral visit please contact Fr Mike or the Parish Office.

Collection Last Week: Patrickswell: €1125.00 Ballybrown: €1325.00

Thanks to all those who helped with the Cemetery Prayers for November.

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