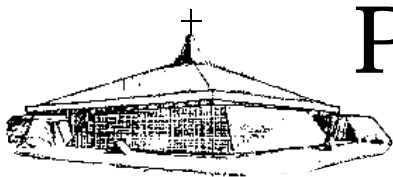


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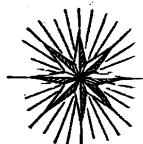
CHRIST OUR LIGHT  
INNISHMORE



ST. MARY & ST. JOHN  
STATION ROAD

**SUNDAY 27TH AUGUST 2000**

**TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**



*Our relationship with God can fall flat, like any of our loves and friendships. It needs to be renewed, revitalised. In our Sunday celebration of Mass we have an opportunity to renew our faith in God, and to commit ourselves for one more week to following his way.*

## RE-DECORATION OF CHRIST OUR LIGHT BEGINS

Worshippers in the "New Church" will be slightly inconvenienced during the coming weeks as the interior re-decoration of the seventeen year old church goes ahead. Over almost twenty years the church has lost some of its original sparkle. The sanctuary carpet is discoloured and fraying, the carpet tiles in the aisles are showing their age, the main entrance door is jamming due to corrosion of the overhead hinges. In an age when everyone's home is regularly redecorated and upgraded it is indeed fitting to bring the house of God up to standard as well.

the main plan of the refurbishment is to introduce more colour and brightness into the building and make some small changes that will both enhance the daily use of the building and add solemnly to the bigger occasions such as weddings and baptisms. "Walking down the aisle" is the dream of many young people. It is difficult to realise that dream in a church where there is no main processional aisle. Now the opening of an interior double door immediately inside the main door will give access to a new aisle leading straight up to the altar. This new arrangement of the seating will also add solemnity to the funeral processions.

The altar is already the focal point of the church, which, of course, is correct for the celebration of Mass. Locating the tabernacle directly behind the altar will mean that the Blessed Sacrament will also share the focal point when people drop in to make a visit at any time during the day. A round and domed tabernacle has been acquired that will sit in a niche in the sanctuary background which will be painted a suitable colour. Colour will also be added by fitting stained glass in the band of windows between the brick walls and the ceiling.

The sacrament of Baptism is a family event of great importance that attracts a large attendance of the new baby's extended family. It is also a much photographed ceremony. The present location of the font at the side of a bank of seats takes from the solemnity of the sacrament. In the original drawings of the church the font was sketched in front of the existing tabernacle. It will now be placed on the floor to the right of the altar (looking up) leaving space for the baptismal party of parents and sponsors to stand around it. The paschal candle will stand on the sanctuary platform to the rear of the font.

It is hoped that the completed renovation will meet with the approval of all the parishioners.

*Leonard O'Brien*

For all preachers in the Church,  
*pause*

may their constant teaching  
be of Christ's love for us  
and ours for him, since he  
is the one who makes it possible  
for us to share in God's own life.

*pause*

Lord, hear us;  
Lord, graciously hear us.

For the leaders of our country,

*pause*

may they value the Christian  
heritage they have received,  
and in all their laws and deliberations,  
protect the freedom of the individual  
to practice the Christian faith.

*pause*

Lord, hear us;  
Lord, graciously hear us.

For those who have lost their faith,

*pause*

may the Holy Spirit help them  
to look again at the life of Christ,  
and know that he alone  
has the words of eternal life.

*pause*

Lord, hear us;  
Lord, graciously hear us.

For truly loving Christian marriages,

*pause*

may all Christian husbands and wives  
reflect in their married lives  
the love which Christ has  
for his Church.

*pause*

Lord, hear us;  
Lord, graciously hear us.

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*R. Taste and see that the Lord is good.*

## BAPTISMS

WE WELCOME TO OUR COMMUNITY ALL THOSE WHO WERE BAPTISED RECENTLY :

**Christopher Michael Hockey, 4, Cramford**  
**Brian John Kenny, 29, Innishmore Grove**  
**Louise Zohra Cherrouk, Luton, England**  
**Jade Ellen Summers, 72, The Cloisters**  
**Ciara Áine O'Brien-Hayes, 42, Castle Park**



## MARRIAGES

CONGRATULATIONS TO:

**Neil Ledden, Middlesex, England & Mary Keelan, "Tara", West Village, Ballincollig**

**Patrick Traver Batt, Togher & Geraldine Finn, 7, Glincool Lawn**

**Sean Buckley, Model Farm Road & Margaret O'Leary, 49, Glendower**

**Finbarr Rose Mulroy, 23, Castlepark & Elaine Verona O'Connor, 16, Innishmore Park**

**Alan Nolan, Croyden, England & Mary Sheehan, 44, Rosewood**

**Gregory Murphy, 9, Woodbine Lawn & Christine O'Keeffe, 9, Woodbine Lawn**

**John Carlton, 1, Church View & Suzanne Mary Duggan, 42, Aylsbury**

**Timothy Anthony O'Connell, Ballygully & Louise Lynn Bergin, 164, Beech Park**

**Sam Redington, London & Margaret Mary Erangey**



## IN SYMPATHY

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE FAMILY AND FRIENDS OF:

**Vincent Twomey, 2, Elm Lawn**  
**Rose Mary Barnett, Melbourne**  
**Frances Corkery, Poulavone House**  
**James McNamara, The Powdermills**  
**Abbey Twomey, Greenfield**  
**Máire Uí Mhurchú, Carriganarra**  
**Lillian Petrick, Leesdale Grove**  
**Nora O'Callaghan, Carrigrohane**

## PLEASE PRAY FOR THE REPOSE OF THE SOULS OF

**Maureen Desmond, Rock Farm, Carrigrohane**  
**Andrew Buttimer, Kilnaglorry**  
**Frank Kavanagh**  
**Andrew O'Keeffe, Carrigrohane**  
**Neillie Graney, Station Road**  
**Donna O'Sullivan, Castle Park**  
**Thomas Delaney, Maglin**  
**Thomas Horgan, Cork**  
**Margaret O'Connor, Sunningdale**  
**Denis O'Brien, 122, Industry Place**  
**Nona Healy, Bishopstown**  
**Essa & Ursula Lane, Blarney St.**  
**Patrick & Margaret Kelly, Iveleary**  
**Nora Durkin**  
**Annie Barry-Murphy, Farnanes**  
**Teresa O'Donovan**

## READINGS FOR THE WEEK

22 Sunday Jos. 24:1-2, 15-18. Ps. 33. Eph. 5:25-32. Jn. 6:60-69. *Lect I:791*  
**Every time we celebrate the Eucharist we renew the covenant. We are again faced with the choice of faith, and the decision to give ourselves is renewed. The Spirit brings life for us through the true spiritual food. We taste and see that the Lord is good.**

28 Monday 2 Thess. 1:1-5, 11-12. Ps. 95. Mt. 23:13-22. *Lect II:726*  
**St. Paul encourages his Christians to keep the traditions handed on in the faith and not to be deceived by novel ideas. Keep the tradition alive and live it fully. Justice, mercy and good faith are praised by Jesus.**

29 Tuesday Jer. 1:17-19. Ps. 70. Mk. 6:17-29. *Lect II:1175*  
**The Mass Preface lists the favours shown to John the Baptist and the vocation given him. He is found worthy of the martyr's death, his last and greatest act of witness to Christ.**

30 Wednesday 2 Thess. 3:6-10, 16-18. Ps. 127. Mt. 23:27-32. *Lect II:730*  
**Expectation of the coming of the Lord should not lead to refusal to take part in the work of daily life. Christians have a part to play in building up Christ's kingdom here on earth, while they wait in joyful hope for his coming.**

31 Thursday 1 Cor. 1:1-9. Ps. 144. Mt. 24:42-51. *Lect II:732*  
**The Corinthian Christians out of their varied backgrounds, had succeeded in distorting Paul's teaching in many and strange ways. Paul's patience is tried, but it also forces him to clarify his ideas. His letter tries to bring back balance to the community, and it is written with the patient love of a father. It begins in the accepted way of greeting and thanksgiving.**

1 Friday 1 Cor. 1:17-25. Ps. 32. Mt. 25:1-13. *Lect II:734*  
**Paul preaches the Cross; he does not make the gospel palatable by changing it. God's standards are not ours and we have to change.**

2 Saturday 1 Cor. 1:26-31. Ps. 32. Mt. 25:14-30. *Lect II:736*  
**God's wisdom is seen in the paradox of his choice of the Corinthians and in Paul's preaching of the Cross. They should boast only of their new existence in Christ.**

## SAINTS THIS WEEK

Monday 28th - St. Augustine 354-430. **Bishop of Hippo, where he lived with a community until his death. His theological influence has been most significant in the Church, especially on the understanding of God's grace. Patron of theologians.**

Wednesday 30th - St. Fiacre was an Irishman who went abroad to a hermitage near Breuil, where he remained until his death c. 670. He kept a good vegetable garden at his hermitage and is patron saint of gardeners

Thursday 31st - St. Aidan was of Irish descent and was a monk of Iona. When Oswald, the exiled king of Northumbria who had fled for refuge to Iona, returned to his throne in 634, he invited Aidan to come to reconvert his people. Aidan made his headquarters at Lindisfarne. With the aid of the king as interpreter he was very successful in his mission. He died in 651.

## MEDICAL MISSIONARIES OF MARY

**Sister Mave M.M.M. & Sister Joan M.M.M. send sincerest thanks on behalf of the Medical Missionaries of Mary for the great generosity the Ballincollig Parish.**

**The collection amounted to**

*£7,456*

# NOTICES

**THE CORK COLLEGE OF COMMERCE  
HAS A WIDE RANGE OF POST LEAVING  
CERTIFICATE COURSES AND WE ARE ACCEPTING  
APPLICATION FORMS FROM SCHOOL LEAVERS AND  
ADULTS FOR THE FOLLOWING DAY COURSES:**

*Faculty of Business Studies:*  
**Information Technology (3 courses)**  
**Finance and Accounting (4 courses)**  
**Business Management (4 courses)**  
**Security Studies (2 courses)**  
**Marketing & International Trade (3 courses)**  
**Property Management (1 course)**  
**Legal Studies (1 course)**

*Faculty of Secretarial Studies:*  
**Travel & Tourism (4 courses)**  
**Business (4 courses)**  
**Information Technology (1 course)**  
**Languages (3 courses)**  
**Receptionist (2 courses)**

*Faculty of Catering & Fashion Studies:*  
**Hotel & Catering Management**  
**Pastry & Confectionery Skills**  
**Hotel Catering and Tourism Studies**  
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*Faculty of Beauty & Complementary  
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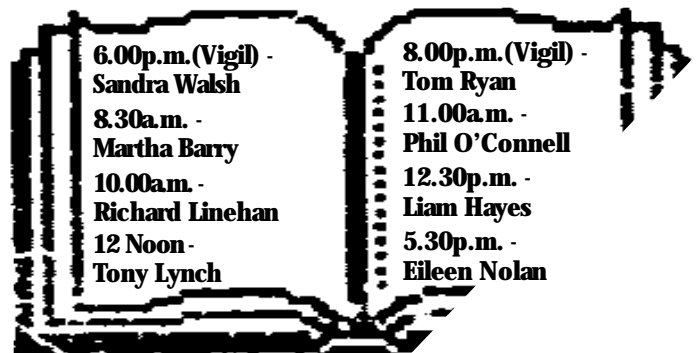
*Faculty of Childcare and Health:*  
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**would hope to provide at least one of the  
following courses in the Ballincollig area  
beginning in October 2000**  
*Certificate in Social Studies*  
*Certificate in Community Education*  
*Certificate in Youth and Community Work*  
**The preferred course(s) would be held in  
Ballincollig from October 2000 to May 2001 on  
one evening per week (usually 7p.m.-10p.m.)**  
**The course(s) are open to adults (over 18 years).**  
**There are no educational qualifications required.**  
**We are anxious to know how many people would  
be interested in the above course(s).**  
**U.C.C. will shortly organise an  
"Information Night" to discuss the details  
of the course and to answer all queries.**  
**If you would like to know more about these  
courses please ring Mary at 4874626  
(mornings only) before August 31st.**

**MINISTERS OF THE WORD 2/3 SEPT**  
**ST. MARY & ST. JOHN CHRIST OUR LIGHT**



**MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST 2nd/3rd SEPT. 2000**

**SATURDAY 2ND**  
**6p.m.**  
**Patsy Murphy**  
**Breda Foley**  
**Geraldine Graham**  
**Jim Healy**  
**Geraldine Hegarty**  
**Cathy Horgan**

**SUNDAY 3RD**  
**8.30a.m.**  
**Theresa Lucey**  
**Rita Buckley**

**10a.m.**  
**Karina O'Mahony**  
**Nancy Hogan**  
**Tadhg Murphy**  
**Mary Murphy**

**12.00 Noon**  
**Michael Crowley**  
**Chris Kavanagh**  
**Noel Hennessy**  
**April Ryan**  
**Rena O'Connor**  
**Eavan O'Donoghue**



**SATURDAY 2ND**  
**8p.m.**  
**J.J. Kearney**  
**Kathy Kearney**  
**Anne O'Connell**

**CHRIST OUR LIGHT CHURCH**

**SUNDAY 3RD**  
**11a.m.**  
**Denis O'Mahony**  
**Christine O'Mahony**  
**Finbar Murray**  
**Alan O'Riordan**

**12.30p.m.**  
**Eileen O'Donoghue**  
**Jackie Sheehan**  
**Anne Burke**  
**Mary Green**  
**Maura O'Driscoll**

**5.30p.m.**  
**Catherine Green**  
**Mary Breen**  
**Siobhan Burke**

CHURCH ACTIVITIES FOR THIS WEEK

ST. MARY & ST. JOHN	EACH SUNDAY	CHRIST OUR LIGHT
<p><b>Masses</b></p> <p>Sunday: <b>8.30, 10.00, 12.00</b>                      Mon-Thur: <b>10.00a.m.</b>                      Fri: <b>10a.m., 8p.m.</b>                      Saturday: <b>10.00a.m., 6p.m.</b>                      (Vigil)                      * Note Holiday Times</p>	<p><b>ROSARY RECITED                      AT BOTH CHURCHES                      EACH SUNDAY                      3.00PM.</b></p> <p><i>Everyone most welcome</i></p>	<p><b>Masses</b></p> <p>Sunday: <b>11.00, 12.30, 5.30p.m.</b>                      Mon-Thur: <b>8.30am</b>                      Fri: <b>8.30a.m., 6p.m.</b>                      Saturday: <b>10.00am, 8.00pm</b>                      (Vigil)</p>
<p><b>Confessions</b></p> <p>Saturday: <b>after 10a.m. Mass                      before 6p.m. Mass</b></p>	<p>FRIDAY 1ST SEPT. 2000                      (First Friday)  <b>EXPOSITION OF THE                      BLESSED SACRAMENT</b>  <i>Church of St. Mary &amp; St. John                      Following 9.30a.m. Mass                      Concluding with Rosary &amp;                      Benediction at 7.30p.m.                      &amp; Mass 8.00p.m.</i></p>	<p><b>Confessions</b></p> <p>Saturday: <b>after 10a.m. Mass</b></p>
<p><b>Baptisms</b></p> <p>Saturday: <b>5.00p.m.</b>                      Sunday: <b>12.45p.m.</b></p>		<p><b>Baptisms</b></p> <p>Saturday: <b>7.15p.m.</b></p>

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