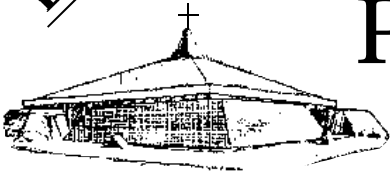


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THE BALLINCOLLIG PARISHIONER



CHRIST OUR LIGHT
INNISHMORE



ST. MARY & ST. JOHN
STATION ROAD

SUNDAY 26TH NOVEMBER 2000 **SOLEMNITY OF CHRIST THE KING**



The kingship of Christ, is not to be seen in terms of any kind of political control or domination. It is not of this world. His rule comes from obedience to the Father and total service of people, unto death. It is the power of God over death and evil, promised to all who commit themselves in faith to him.

KINGSHIP & JUSTICE

If we think of Christ the King, using ideas about the British monarchy or other actual kings and queens, it can seem hard to make sense of this feast. Today's gospel tells us that the kingdom of Christ is not like that.

It is a kingdom that starts inside each one of us.

But this kingdom of Christ isn't just an internal thing.

It must also be made a reality in our lives as individuals, as a community, and as a society.

Later on in this Mass, we will hear a lot of words used to describe what this kingdom is like. One of the words is justice. That's a challenge to all of us in our present prosperity. Do we see it as an opportunity to get as much as we can for ourselves, by using the power of whatever group we may belong to, or do we look for a just distribution of this new wealth to all sections of our society?

The call to justice is one that affects us all as followers of Christ. It is hard, because it is always hard to overcome selfishness. But if this feast today is to mean anything at all to us, it is a call we cannot ignore.

Fr. Pat

PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL

PRIEST

We proudly proclaim to the world that Jesus Christ is King. Let us ask the Lord for the grace by which everyone may acknowledge his kingship.

READER

For the Church, may she continue the spreading of Christ's kingdom to every corner of the earth, and give everyone an opportunity of hearing the gospel. Lord, hear us; Lord, graciously hear us.

For a kingdom of justice, love and peace in the world, may all nations strive to live in harmony, and may those who are Christians give a lead to others in word and action. Lord, hear us; Lord, graciously hear us.

For those who see little purpose in life, may they realise that the Christian faith which proclaims Jesus as Lord will lead them from the darkness of frustration into the light of his kingdom. Lord, hear us; Lord, graciously hear us.

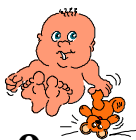
For those who are overpowered with a sense of sin, may they see the Lord as a shepherd who constantly seeks the lost sheep in order to bring it back to the fold. Lord, hear us; Lord, graciously hear us.

Visit Our Website: www.ballincolligparish.ie

The Lord is king, with majesty enrobed

BAPTISMS

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



Peter Cornelius Delaney, Kilnaglory
Chlara Lia O'Mahony, 17, The Brambles, Ovens
Colin Timothy Buckley, The Meadows, West Village



IN SYMPATHY

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE FAMILY AND FRIENDS OF:

Jerry Sheehan, Clash Road
Josephine O'Keeffe, Banteer
James Alec Cremin, Ballinlough

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE REPOSE OF THE SOULS OF

Thomas Farrell, Beech Park
Donal Aherne, Fr. Sexton Park
Eileen & Frank O'Donovan, Raheen
Kevin McCarthy, Rosewood
Kiarán Brennan, Shamrock Drive; Muskerry Est.
Teresa Brown, Ballingulley
Maureen O'Connell, Ballingulley
Jim Doherty, Model Farm Road
Patrick & Joan McAuliffe, Rathmore
Tim & Nora O'Sullivan, Kenmare
Nora Coughlan, Ballydehob
Anna Maher, Moyne, Thurles
Josephine O'Keeffe, Banteer
Sam O'Sullivan, 5 Leevew, Carrigrohane
John Lucey, Station Road
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Ross Cooney, Limerick
Mary & Michael O'Keeffe, Greenmount
Catherine & Edward Hogan, Ballinlough
Denis & Margaret Linehan, Inniscarra
Julia Linehan, Stone View, Blarney
David Fitzgerald
Mary O'Regan, Poulavone
Patrick Buckley, Ballyshoneen
Maria Eunonce, Portsmouth
Hugh Collins, Innishmore Drive
Joan Duff, Pouladuff
T. Daly, Leemount
Hannah O'Sullivan, Shankill
Johanna Morrissey, Doneraile
Annie Cahill
O'Sullivan Family, Kenmare
Joan O'Keeffe, Bantry
Johanna Hennigan, Inniscarra View
Catherine O'Sullivan, 14, Roman St.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

26 Sunday Dn. 7:13-14. Ps. 92. Rv. 1:5-8. Jn. 18:33-37. *Lect II:829*
Christ did not seek earthly domination in his kingship, but rather the liberation of the weak and oppressed. The Christian community shares in the royal dignity of Christ by Showing to the world that service which was Christ's.

27 Monday Rv. 14:1-5. Ps. 23. Lk. 21:1-4. *Lect II:889*
John is given a vision of hope and victory. We can take heart from this vision to see that Jesus is Lord and , though evil seems to prevail, Jesus only delays his final conquest in order to allow more to repent.

28 Tuesday Rv. 14:14-19. Ps. 95. Lk. 21:5-11. *Lect II:890*
The destruction of the enemies of the Church is prophesied. God will judge the nations with truth. The image of the grape harvest conveys God's wrath against sin - a fire against the evil of sin and the damage it does to those whom he loves. John's vision of judgement is a call for endurance, that we may bear fruit.

29 Wednesday Rv. 15:1-4. Ps. 97. Lk. 21:12-19. *Lect II:892*
The vision of Christians who have led victorious lives encourages us to praise. these victorious Christians remind us that God has lavished on us every spiritual blessing; we are children of the Father, we have received the Spirit of Sonship and freedom, heirs of God and co-heirs with Christ.

30 Thursday Rom. 10:9-18. Ps. 18. Mt. 4:18-22 *Lect II:1279*

DECEMBER

1 Friday Rv. 20:1-4, 11-21:2. Ps. 83. Lk. 21:29-33. *Lect II:897*
The devil is our enemy and he is vehemently opposed to Christ and his kingdom. But his power is limited for he is only a creature. Each day we join ourselves to the struggle between the forces of evil and good. We face the tension of choice - of choosing to live and fight in faith for the Lord or of acquiescing to the seductive allure of the enemy and his schemes.

2 Saturday Rv. 22:1-7. Ps. 94. Lk. 21:34-36. *Lect II:899*
A wonderful blessing and grace of eternal life is that each of us shall behold the Lord face to face and the light of his presence will shine on all. Tomorrow we join the Church as she celebrates the Coming of the Lord. Let our prayer be the prayer of the Bride, "Come, Lord Jesus, come".

SAINTS THIS WEEK

Monday 27th - St. Fergal, bishop and missionary **Fergal (Vigil) lived first in France and then in Bavaria, where he founded the monastery of Chiemsee. He was appointed Bishop of Salzburg around 754 and died in 784, leaving a reputation for learning and holiness.**

Thursday 30th - St Andrew from Bethsaida was a disciple of St. John the Baptist when he was called by Jesus. He in turn brought his brother Peter to Jesus. He is said to have suffered martyrdom on this date by crucifixion, but the tradition of an X-shaped cross is much later. Patron Saint of Scotland, Russia and fishermen.

ST. JOSEPH'S YOUNG PRIESTS SOCIETY (CORK & ROSS)

Members & Non-members are cordially invited to attend a ceremony on the 8th December next, in the Cathedral of S.S. Mary & Ann (North Cathedral) Cork at 3pm.

This event is to entrust all the parishes of our diocese to the United Hearts of Jesus and Mary. The principal celebrant will be Most Rev. Bishop John Buckley and the homily will be preached by his Eminence Cardinal Daly.

A social gathering will follow the ceremony. This is a Special Millennium Mass for Vocations organised by the St. Josephs Young Priests Society. We encourage you to come on the 8th Dec. (Feast of the Immaculate Conception of Our Lady) to pray for an increase of vocations in our diocese and country.

NOTICES



BALLINCOLLIG FLOWER & GARDEN CLUB

Ballincollig Flower & Garden Club will hold their Christmas Show at the Community Centre, Ballincollig on Saturday 25th Nov. from 2.30pm to 5.30pm and Sunday 26th Nov. from 2pm to 5.30pm Come and see a spectacular display and get some great ideas for Christmas

Everybody Welcome

THE APOSTOLATE OF OUR LADY OF FATIMA, CORK MONTHLY DEVOTIONS MASS AND HOLY HOUR

"Jesus wishes to make me known and loved"

"He wants to establish in the world Devotion to my Immaculate Heart."

"Do not be disheartened, My Immaculate Heart will be your refuge and the way that will lead you to God."

"In the end, My Immaculate Heart will triumph."

"People must amend their lives and ask forgiveness for their sins."

"Do not offend God Our Lord any more, for He is already deeply offended"

"Pray, pray very much and make sacrifices for sinners, for many souls go to hell because they have nobody to pray and make sacrifices for them."

ST. MARIES OF THE ISLE CHAPEL

27th NOVEMBER 2000

from 7.30p.m.-9p.m.

Conducted by Fr. Dan Crowley P.P.

All Welcome

FATIMA: MORE RELEVANT, MORE URGENT THAN EVER

For the intention of the promotion of Eucharistic Adoration

**ROSARY
ADORATION
MASS**



TUESDAY 28TH NOVEMBER, 2000

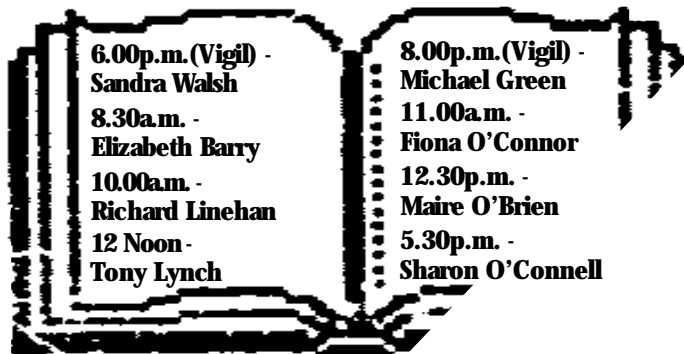
8.00p.m. - 10p.m.

*ST. BRENDAN'S CHURCH,
THE GLEN, CORK*



**Chief Celebrant:
Fr. Michael Fitzgerald**

MINISTERS OF THE WORD 2ND/3RD DEC
ST. MARY & ST. JOHN CHRIST OUR LIGHT



**MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST 2nd/3rd December 2000
ST. MARY'S & ST. JOHN'S CHURCH**

SATURDAY 2ND

6p.m.
Helen Kelly
April Ryan
Eileen Murphy
Ted Nelligan
Angela Murphy
Ann O'Connell

SUNDAY 3RD

8.30a.m.
Mary Buckley
Josie Halligan

10a.m.
Miriam Maunsell
Mary McLean
Breda Ring
Jerry O'Connor

12.00 Noon
Louie O'Leary
Mary Buckley
Will Casey
Rose Doyle
Anne O'Sullivan
Ellen O'Sullivan



CHRIST OUR LIGHT CHURCH

SATURDAY 2ND

8p.m.
Maura Uí Crualaoí
Marion O'Sullivan
Anne O'Connell

SUNDAY 3RD

11a.m.
Denis O'Mahony
Christine O'Mahony
Finbarr Murray
Alan O'Riordan

12.30p.m.
Eileen O'Donoghue
Jackie Sheehan
Anne Burke
Mary Green
Michael O'Leary

5.30p.m.
Catherine Green
Mary Breen
Siobhan Burke

ST. MARY & ST. JOHN	EACH SUNDAY	CHRIST OUR LIGHT
<p style="text-align: center;">Masses</p> <p>Sunday: 8.30, 10.00, 12.00 Mon-Thur: 9.30am Fri: 9.30am, 8.30pm Saturday: 10.00, 6pm, (Vigil)</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">ROSARY RECITED AT BOTH CHURCHES EACH SUNDAY 3.00PM.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>Everyone most welcome</i></p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Masses</p> <p>Sunday: 11.00, 12.30, 5.30pm Mon-Thur: 8.30am Fri: 8.30am, 6.30pm Saturday: 10.00am, 8.00pm (Vigil)</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">Confessions</p> <p>Friday: 7.30pm Saturday: after 10am Mass before 6pm Mass</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">FRIDAY 1ST DEC. 2000 (First Friday) EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT <i>Church of St. Mary & St. John Following 9.30a.m. Mass Concluding with Rosary & Benediction at 7.45p.m. & Mass 8.00p.m.</i></p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Confessions</p> <p>Saturday: after 10am Mass</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">Baptisms</p> <p>Saturday: 5.00pm Sunday: 12.45pm</p>		<p style="text-align: center;">Baptisms</p> <p>Saturday: 7.15pm</p>

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THE FARRANFERRIS
 CHRISTMAS
 BAZAAR

2p.m. - 6p.m.

Sunday 26th November 2000

NOT TO BE MISSED!!!

BALLINCOLLIG SCOUT UNIT

It's that crazy time of year again and our
 Bazaar date Sunday 3rd December
 is coming ever closer.

Please keep us in mind as you do your pre-Christmas cleaning. If you don't want the stuff hanging around the house you can drop it to the Scout Hall, or contact any of the Committee.

Remember we will accept all items for the Bazaar and Auction such as old toys, books, plants, ornaments, records, bikes, furniture etc., in fact anything big or small except clothes

Don't forget Sunday 3rd December at 2.30p.m.



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OF BELARUS, UKRAINE
AND KAZAKSTAN**

*Time is
too slow for those who wait,
too swift for those who fear,
too long for those who grieve,
too short for those who rejoice;
but for those who love,
time is eternity*

Henry Van Dyke

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A.G.M. 2000

*NOTICE TO MEMBERS
OF BALLINCOLLIG
CREDIT UNION LTD.*

Date: Wednesday 29th Nov.

Time: 8.00p.m.

**NEW Venue:
Ballincollig GAA Club**



**BALLINCOLLIG BASKETBALL CLUB
NOTES & FIXTURES**

LADIES

Last Thursday 16th our Un-12 Girls played Brunell in the Parochial Hall. The Ballincollig Girls started off well but were unfortunately not strong enough against a tough Brunell side who won the game comfortably.

On Friday 17th our Un-14's were disappointed to have lost to Crosshaven. They has a great start to the game, but after half-time they seemed to lose some momentum. Crosshaven took advantage of this and Ballincollig were unable to regain their earlier form, despite all their hard work.

Our Un-16 Girls also played Crosshaven but with better results. In what was a very tight game from the start, the Ballincollig Ladies showed great determination against a good Crosshaven side and eventually pulled away to win the game convincingly.

MEN

At our home venue here in B.C.S. on Friday night the crowd were treated to what was definitely the game of the week, with both Ballincollig and Neptune Boys Un-11's deserving great credit for the way they played. There was never more than 2pts between the two teams for virtually the whole match which added to the excitement and tension for the spectators. But, while Ballincollig were stronger and faster than Neptune, our boys were very unlucky to miss their last two baskets and Neptune's accuracy at the net allowed them to just inch ahead in the last minutes of the game and win by 35pts to 30pts.

Our Un-17 Men's played Carrigaline in their game in B.C.S. on the same Friday night, in what proved to be a very tough and physical game with Carrigaline having a player sent off. Ballincollig took full advantage of that and went on to win the game comfortably.

The Clubs Teams did not fare very well at the Un-19 Cup Championships last Weekend. Our Ladies were very disappointed not to have beaten Glanmire in their first game. Our girls held the score level at 28pts until after half-time but then Glanmire showed their strength and Ballincollig were not able to fight back.

Ballincollig were beaten by Meteors in their next match. Meteors have some of the top players in the country, and would therefore be extremely tough opponents. The girls had a better outing against Killester of Dublin. We led for most of the game until Killester levelled the match and took it to extra time. With 5 seconds to go and only 2 pts behind, Ballincollig shot at the basket, missed the net and came back of the hoop, giving Killester the game by just one point.

Our boys teams faced some very tough opposition, and despite their enthusiasm, our teams youth and lack of experience showed in most of the scores. They did however win their game against the eventual overall winners of the tournament, St. Brendans of Tralee, so well done lads.

UPCOMING FIXTURES - MEN

Friday 24th November - Carrigaline Comm. School
7.30pm Carrigaline B v Ballincollig U-13
8.30pm Carrigaline B v Ballincollig U-17

LADIES

Friday 24th November - Ballincollig Comm. School
6.15pm Ballincollig v Sparrows Un-12
7.15pm Ballincollig v Swifts Un-15
8.15pm Ballincollig v Striders Un-18

Saturday 25th November - Middleton Community Centre
7.00pm Middleton v Ballincollig Un-18

Sunday 26th November - Skibbereen Sports Centre
11.15am Swallows v Ballincollig Un-14

Thursday 30th November - Parochial Hall
8.15pm Glanmire v Ballincollig Junior 1

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*Our Annual
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2.30p.m.

**Bishop Lucey Park, Grand Parade, Cork
Convene at "Tree of Heaven" and Plaque,
dedicated to all deceased children**

3.00p.m.

**Imperial Hotel, South Mall, Cork
Dedication Service, including the
lighting of a night-light
for each deceased child.**

**IT IS HOPED TO HAVE THE
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*The Service will be mainly conducted
by our Chaplains, from the Church
of Ireland and the Catholic Church.*

**Our group, which is voluntary
and non-denominational, offers friendship,
understanding and support to
anyone experiencing bereavement,
especially child-loss.**

*Everyone is welcome
to the Gathering*

**EXPOSITION OF THE
BLESSED SACRAMENT**

**Sunday is the feast of Christ The King.
There will be Exposition of the Blessed
Sacrament in the Church of
St. Mary & St. John beginning
after 12.00 Mass and ending at 6p.m.**