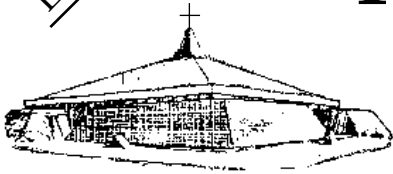


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THE BALLINCOLLIG PARISHIONER



CHRIST OUR LIGHT
INNISHMORE



ST. MARY & ST. JOHN
STATION ROAD

SUNDAY 24TH JUNE 2001

THE BIRTH OF SAINT JOHN THE BAPTIST

WHY NOT TRY SOMETHING DIFFERENT

In life I believe it is always a good idea to continually develop oneself, to take up new challenges, to try some new adventures, to develop new hobbies or interests no matter what age you are. It is a well known fact in psychology that it helps to keep one young and fresh in attitude to life, that nothing is beyond the human spirit.

Since coming to work in Ballincollig I have taken on and developed various skills and interests such as old cars and steam engines. However, one I would never have dreamed of was Water Skiing. It happened by accident as a result of a conversation with a friend. Since then I have come to look forward to my regular trips out to the Ski Centre at Caum, near Carrigdrohid village. Being my third season going out there I am improving gradually as a skier and enjoy it. It is an exhilarating and refreshing experience being towed at speeds of up to thirty miles per hour behind the speed boats.

At first I had a terrible fear of water and dreaded going in to the lake but as time went on I became more and more confident with the help of the excellent instructors and the high quality tuition offered. Even today I cannot say that I can swim very well, yet I have had several falls in the water without any injury, I have even enjoyed my many dips in the water! I started off using two ski's for the first year becoming good on them before moving on to Mono (one) ski over the last two seasons.

Safety is a must in the ski centre, all skier's must wear a wet suit and a life jacket, which are totally buoyant and of course the skis the same. It is these items which remove the need to be able to swim, ensuring a high standard of safety, even though it is a help.

Needless to say it is not for everyone but anyone who is interested should give it a try. At Caum, we ski disabled, and blind, as well as those that are in some way physically at a disadvantage, such as loss of limbs or use of them. One year, we had the American Disabled Water Ski International team with us for a week before they went on to competitions in London, giving us a chance to see some spectacular skiing.

Carrig Waterski Centre is beautifully located on the river Lee above the Carrigdrohid Dam about two miles on the Macroom side of Carrigdrohid village. Caum Church is the landmark and it is there you turn off the Macroom-Coachford road to a small roadway that leads to the centre. We have changing rooms and a club house as well as a picnic area. This is one very refreshing activity I could suggest for a warm Saturday or Sunday afternoon.

For further details see the ad in this week's Parishioner.

Fr. Pat

P.S. "There are none so blind as those that will not ski"!!!

PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL

PRIEST

Let us bring our needs to God who created us.

READER

For all who serve the Church in leadership positions, that they may humbly point people towards Christ, as John the Baptist did.

Lord, hear us;

Lord, graciously hear us.

For those who have a prophetic role in today's world, that they may never shirk from preaching the truth, whatever the cost.

Lord, hear us;

Lord, graciously hear us.

For parents and guardians, that they may give their children a solid base from which to grow.

Lord, hear us;

Lord, graciously hear us.

For people impaired in speech, hearing or sight, that they may have the patience to develop their gifts to the fullest.

Lord, graciously hear us.

For those who care for the disabled, that their generous service may be source of courage and hope.

Lord, hear us;

Lord, graciously hear us.

PRIEST

God our creator, you care for us from the first moment of our being, let us know your help always, and hear our prayers, through Christ Our Lord. Amen.

HIS COMING WAS HERALDED BY JOHN (Second Reading)

Our cathedral is dedicated to John the Baptist. Like him, we should be heralds and witnesses to Christ. Faith in Christ does not seem as strong as it once was. There is little point in deploring that unless we ask ourselves about how well we witness to Christ. Every Christian should be a John the Baptist, pointing Jesus out to others: Behold the Lamb of God.

Visit Our Website: www.ballincolligparish.ie

I thank you for the wonder of my being

MARRIAGES



CONGRATULATIONS TO:

**Colin Arthur Holton, 45, Bridevalley View, Fairhill,
& Dawn Morrissey, 8, Glincool Villas**

**Damien Kavanagh, 13, Stream Hill, Dillons Cross,
& Sarah O'Herlihy, 63, Maple Lawn, Muskerry Est.**



IN SYMPATHY

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE FAMILY AND FRIENDS OF:

Victor McCarthy, Innishmore & Blackrock

Kitty Conroy, Farnanes

Conor Ronan, Oakley

**PLEASE PRAY FOR THE
REPOSE OF THE SOULS of**

Bernie Cotter, Dromlough, Dunmanway

Laurence O'Flynn, Aherla (Anniversary)

Desmond Morrissey, Cork

Michael McCarthy

John Bowen, Shandon Street

David Barry, Mulgrove

John O'Mahony, Castletownbere

Elizabeth Molly, Tower

Jerry Murray, Bishopstown

Sheila Kellegher, Cathedral Road

Margaret & Patrick O'Mahony, Clash

Joe & the deceased members of the Halligan Family

Rosaleen Crowley, Old Chapel Mills

Con & Julie Harrington, Adrigole

Eugene Courtney, Fair Hill

Nora O'Connor, Inniscarra

Tom Daly, Beech Park

Michael Hayes, Clonmult

Margaret O'Bolger

**MINISTERS OF THE WORD
ST. MARY & ST. JOHN**

**THE NEW ROTA
IS NOW AVAILABLE
IN THE SACRISTY**

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

24 Sunday Is. 49:1-6. Ps. 138. Acts. 13:22-26. Lk. 1:57-66,80. *Lect I:976*
We rejoice at the coming of John the Baptist, a man of self-denial, integrity of life and purpose, and an uncompromising prophetic voice. John means "The Lord has shown favour". This feast relates to the summer solstice when the days begin to grow shorter, recalling John's words, "He must increase, but I must decrease". Patron saint of motorways, farriers and tailors.

25 Monday Gen. 12:1-9. Ps. 32. Mt. 7:1-5. *Lect II:149*
"Following in the steps of the prophets and John the Baptist, Jesus announced the judgment of the Last Day in his preaching. Then will the conduct of each one and the secrets of hearts be brought to light. Then will the culpable unbelief that counted the offer of God's grace as nothing be condemned. Our attitude to our neighbour will disclose acceptance or refusal of grace and divine love.

26 Tuesday Gen. 13:2,5-18, 17-28. Ps. 14. Mt. 7:6,12-14. *Lect II:151*
Abraham was one who did no wrong to his brother, but selflessly sought peace. His generosity is an example of treating others as you would like them to treat you.

27 Wednesday Gen. 15:1-12, 17-28. Ps. 104. Mt. 7:15-20. *Lect II:153*
An ancient eastern rite of confirming covenants is used by God to confirm his promise to Abraham of a great number of descendants.

28 Thursday Gen. 15:1-12, 17-28. Ps. 104. Mt. 7:15-20. *Lect II:155*
An ancient eastern rite of confirming covenants is used by God to confirm his promise to Abraham of a great number of descendants.

29 Friday Acts. 12:1-11. Ps. 33. 2 Tim. 4:6-8. 17-18. Mt. 16:13-19.
Lect I:981 or Lect. II:1082

On the day traditionally considered in pagan Rome to be its foundation day by Romulus, we celebrate the twin founders of the Church in Rome. St. Peter died by crucifixion and St. Paul by beheading within two years of each other but on unknown dates.

30 Saturday Gen. 18:1-15. Ps. Lk. 1:46-55. Mt. 8:5-17 *Lect II:160*
Both Abraham and Sarah are amazed at the promise. But, is anything too wonderful for God? Jesus rejoices in the faith of the centurion and shows his power over sickness and disease.

SAINTS THIS WEEK

St. Irenaeus lived just after the time of the apostles and knew those who had seen and talked with them. With this background and with his own zeal and learning, Irenaeus was an invaluable help to the Church. He became Bishop of Lyons, the largest trading centre in Gaul. The note of moderation, the desire to win people to Christianity by love rather than fear, was apparent in all of Irenaeus' work.

The first martyrs of Rome, died under Nero in the year 64.

St. Cyril, 370-444, Patriarch of Alexandria, fought against Nestorianism at the Council of Ephesus, 431, which proclaimed Mary, Mother of God.

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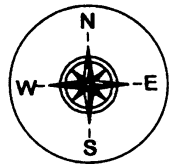
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BALLINCOLLIG TIDY TOWNS

CORK COUNTY COUNCIL

Inter Town Challenge 2001



Competition commenced on May 17th and will continue until July 4th

Area 1 (Town Centre) (will be judged every week)

Main St. from Westpark Hotel to Roundabout near McNamara Supervalu Shopping Centre at Western End. To include area behind Main St. - Station Road up to Church, across and behind Church including Scoil Eoin, Scout Hall & Cemetery - Northern end of Car Park (incl. Car Park) and Time Square.

Area 7 (from 21th to 27th June)

Beech Park, The Cloisters, Castle Park, Aishling Close, Cranford Pines, Greystones, Rosewood & Inniscarra View. Main Road from Spar to Leo Murphy Road

Ballincollig versus Fermoy

For the remaining weeks there will be a Community Clean Up each Tuesday evening starting at 7.30p.m. The meeting venues will be Moremiles, Scoil Eoin Car Park and L & N Car Park

The Judges comments were as follows:

Town Centre: Weeds at base of boundary wall to Fr. Sexton Park. Main Street from Market Gate to Xtravision - footpath and kerbside littered with cigarette butts, chewing gum wrappings, ATM Slips, broken glass and lolly pop sticks. Area from Statoil Service Station to McNamara's Supervalu was very good. Scoil Eoin and Cemetery spotless. Crisp Bags, cigarette butts and sweet wrappings in grounds of Church of St. Mary & St. John. Car parking area outside Madonna House on Station Road has kerbside weeds and cigarette butts and cigarette box. Community Centre Building had a lot of weeds around it. Area to area of Stylecraft Ltd. along Baker Street overgrown with weeds. Area around Bottle Bank littered. Time Square was clean. Earth embankment bordering Reel Cinema is overgrown with weeds. Large private green area on Bothar Saclay has a lot of visible litter and also weeds at perimeter railings.

Town	Matches	Marks Cur. Week	Total Marks
Youghal	4	56	239
Cobh	4	49	226
Fermoy	4	57	224
Ballincollig	4	66	224
Midleton	4	50	208
Charleville	4	47	196
Mallow	4	43	193
Mitchelstown	4	53	174



Saint Thérèse

Visit to Ireland of the Relics

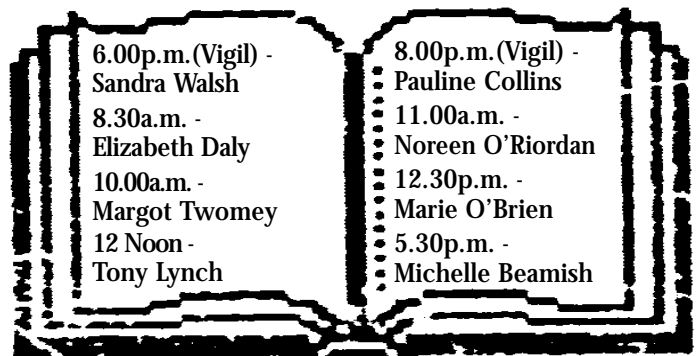
Diocese of Cork & Ross

*Wednesday June 20th 2001 -
Cathedral of St. Mary & St. Anne, Cork City*
*Saturday June 23rd 2001 -
SMA Church, Cork City*
*Sunday June 24th 2001 -
Carmelites, Kinsale, Co. Cork*

MINISTERS OF THE WORD 30TH/1ST JULY

ST. MARY & ST. JOHN

CHRIST OUR LIGHT



MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST 30th June/1st July 2001

ST. MARY'S & ST. JOHN'S CHURCH

SATURDAY 30TH

6p.m.
Vera Allen
Bernadette Bell
Oliver Delaney
Betty Casey
Frank Riordan
Siobhan Riordan

SUNDAY 1ST

8.30a.m.
Mary Buckley
Josie Halligan

10a.m.
Anne Cahill
Pat Lee
May Delaney
Seamus O'Shea

12.00 Noon
Joan Barrett
Sheila Carroll
Marsie Curley
Brendan Daly
Mary Daly
Pat Keenan



SATURDAY 30TH

8p.m.
Geraldine Lynch
Jim Cahill
Kit Cahill

CHRIST OUR LIGHT CHURCH

SUNDAY 1ST

11a.m.
Maura McNamara
Angela Cunningham
Laurence Cunningham
Bridie O'Donnell

12.30p.m.
Eileen Garvey
Sally Power
Lelia O'Brien
Breda Callanan
Marie O'Brien

5.30p.m.
Neil O'Donoghue
Patricia O'Donoghue
Nell Cantillion-Murphy

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-Fri: 9.30am Saturday: 10.00, 6pm (Vigil)</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">ROSARY RECITED AT BOTH CHURCHES EACH SUNDAY 3.00P.M.</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-Fri: 8.30am Saturday: 10.00am, 8.00pm (Vigil)</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">Confessions</p> <p>Saturday: after 10am Mass before 6pm Mass</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">SACRISTY SERVICES Before and after all Masses Sundays & Weekdays <u>CHURCH OF ST. MARY & ST. JOHN</u> - Mass Card Signing- Requests for Baptisms/Marriage Certs etc.</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;"><u>CHRIST OUR LIGHT</u> -Mass Card Signing-</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Baptisms</p> <p>Saturday: 7.15pm</p>

PARISH CLERGY

CHURCH NO.  087-2479140

Fr. L.O'Brien P.P.  021-4871206 Fr. P. O'Donovan C.C.  021-4872808 Fax: 021-4872808

Fr. Paul O'Donoghue  021-4876055

**BALLINCOLLIG
 ATHLETIC CLUB**
OPEN SPORTS

Sunday next 24th June 2001
 at 1p.m.

VENUE:

CIT Track, Bishopstown
 (near Leisureworld)

Competition for tiny tots (Under 5)
 to Senior Sprints, Middle Distance,
 Long Jump, Shot, Ball Throw, Relay

All welcome

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BALLINCOLLIG BASKETBALL CLUB

The new June training times for Ballincollig Basketball commenced in Ballincollig Community School Gym last Monday 11th June. The long and hopefully fine summer evenings mean that training can be taken out to the outdoor courts. The basketball players can now benefit from plenty of fresh air as well as exercise. Of course this is weather permitting and training will go back indoors if necessary as it had to last night.

As this is the quiet time of our season, the basketball club is taking the opportunity to put on a small victory party for the girls Un-11 and Un-12 teams and the Boys Un-11 team to mark their fabulous achievements this season. the party will take place on Saturday June 23rd in the G.A.A. Club between 3p.m. and 5p.m. and players can contact their relevant coaches for further news.

***** ATTENTION *****

NEW SUMMER TRAINING TIMES FROM JUNE

Starting from Monday 11th June training times will be as follows:

Ballincollig Community School Gym

Monday	6.30-7.30	Boys Nursery	Court 1
Monday	6.30-7.30	Girls Nursery	Court 2
Monday	7.30-8.30	Boys Un-15, 17, 19	Court 1
Monday	7.30-8.30	Boys Un-11, 13	Court 2
Wed.	6.30-7.30	Girls Un-18, Jun I, Inter	Court 1
Wed.	6.30-7.30	Girls Un-11, 12	Court 2
Wed.	7.30-8.30	Girls Un-14	Court 1
Friday	7.00-8.00	Girls Un-15, 16	Court 1

Please Note that the training time on Friday of 6.30-7.30 has been changed to 7.00-8.00

Registration Forms will continue to be handed out to all members of the club and we would ask that they be filled in and given back to your coach before the end of June.

PETER'S PENCE COLLECTION

Please note that the Peter's Pence Collection will be made at all Masses next Sunday 1st July

For the intention of the promotion of Eucharistic Adoration

MASS

FOLLOWED BY

HOLY HOUR



Tuesday, June 26th 2001

ST. BRENDAN'S CHURCH,
THE GLEN,
CORK

8p.m. to 9.30p.m.
(Rosary at 7.40p.m.)

*Holy Hour led by
Fr. Patrick White*

*Cloyne Diocesan Spiritual
Director for Eucharist
Adoration*

**ANNUAL CEMETERY MASS
ST. OLIVER'S**

Due to the adverse weather conditions experienced in November, over the past number of years, the date of the Cemetery Mass has been brought forward to

*Tuesday 26th June 2001
at 7.30pm*

CORK COUNTY COUNCIL
requires
Part-Time Firefighters-
Ballincollig

Age Limit: Candidates should be at least 18 years of age on 1st June 2001. Retirement age for Firefighters is 55 years of age.

Only applicants who reside in the town or within one mile of same and whose ordinary activity does not take them away from the town will be considered.

Wages: Annual Retainer £4,309-£5,377

Hourly Rate of Attendance

Drill	Fire			
	Day		Night/Weekend	
Rate per Hour	1st Hour	Subsequent Hour	1st Hour	Subsequent Hour
£10.36	£20.72	£10.36	£41.44	£20.72

These positions are open to both male and female candidates

Application forms and further particulars may be obtained from the Personnel Officer, Room 1404, County Hall, Cork or email: recruit@corkcoco.ie, with whom completed application must be lodged not later than 5.00p.m. on Friday 20th July 2001

The Lord is Holy

The Lord is King!
 All nations stand in awe at his presence!
 He sits between the guardian angels.
 Let the whole earth tremble
 Before the majesty of your pervasiveness.
 Let all peoples hallow your holy name,
 Because integrity is found in all you do.
 Let all humanity bow before you in worship.
 You, Lord, my king, are holy,
 With a holiness beyond all my experience.
 I have only images of your essence
 Within the limits of my mind;
 The purity of a mountain stream,
 The path of the clouds,
 the star-studded sky,
 The falling of the pristine snow.
 I ask to be touched
 With a spark of your fire.
 'Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
 Heaven and earth are full of your glory.
 Hosanna in the highest.' *From the liturgy.*

Reflection from Psalm No. 99

FAMILY
STUDIES
COURSE



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For:

Parents, workers in Caring Professions and those involved in Community/Parish Work

This course aims:

- > To increase participants knowledge and skills in the area of Family
- > To increase awareness of social issues and promote a positive perspective of family life
- > To facilitate group development and to train participants as resource people

Commences:

Tuesday 9th October 2001/28th May 2002

Venue: Cork & Ross Family Centre,
 34, Paul Street, Cork.

Tel: 021-4275136

FOR APPLICATION FORM AND FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT ABOVE

EARLY BOOKING IS ESSENTIAL AS PLACES ARE LIMITED

Why not visit Carrig Water Ski Centre

located on the Coachford-Macroom Road, two miles at the Macroom side of Carrigdrohid Village at Caum Church

SKIING TIMES

THURSDAY 6.30P.M. - DARK
SATURDAY 2.P.M. - 6.00P.M.
SUNDAY 2P.M. - 6.00P.M.

Groups Facilitated

FOR FURTHER DETAILS CONTACT:

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Pat @ 021-4872808

COST

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