THE BALLINCOLLIG PARISHIONER



SUNDAY 7TH OCTOBER 2001

TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



Our faith is so often put to the test not just by intellectual doubts but by the difficulties of life. the paradox is that it is only faith that will bring us to life through these trials. It is only faith that allows us to see beyond what we have already been given by God bimself.

ISLAM

The religion of Islam, (meaning "submission to God's decree") was founded by Mohammed. He was born in Mecca in 570A.D. As a merchant he travelled to Syria and Palestine. In his fortieth year he claimed to have received a call from the Angel Gabriel to preach the worship of the one true God to his people, the Arabs. As a general and leader he crushed the warring factions of Arabia and welded them into a formidable state. After his death Islam aspired to become a world power and a universal religion. Within a century Palestine, Egypt, North Africa and the south of Spain all fell to the power of the Islamic sword. Later Persia, Afganistan and much of India were conquered. In the fifteenth century the Byzantine Empire was attacked and Constantinople fell to the power of Islam.

The attitude of the Catholic Church to Islam is best expressed by the document of the Vatican Council on its relationship with non-Christian Religions: "Upon the Moslems too the Church looks with esteem. They adore one God, Maker of heaven and earth. They strive to submit even to His inscrutable decrees, just as did Abraham. Though they do not acknowledge Jesus as God, they revere him as a prophet. They also honour Mary, His virgin mother; at times they call on her, too, with devotion. In addition they await the day of judgment when God will give each man his due after raising him up. Consequently, they prize the moral life and give worship to God especially through prayer, almsgiving and fasting. Although in the course of the centuries many quarrels have arisen between Christians and Moslems, this most sacred Synod urges all to forget the past and to strive sincerely for mutual understanding. On behalf of all mankind, let them make common cause of safeguarding and fostering social justice, moral values, peace and freedom."

Students of the history of relations between Christians and Moslems will find this statement a remarkable change in the Church's approach. Equally surprising is how much Christians and Moslems actually have in common in their beliefs. It is surely on this shared heritage and belief in the one true God that harmony and understanding should be built between the followers of these two great religions.

Leonard O'Brien

PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL

PRIEST:

Let us make our prayers known to God our creator.

READER:

For those called to witness Christ in today's world, that the Spirit may be powerfully with them.

Lord, Hear us,

Lord, graciously hear us.

For all those filled with the Spirit at Baptism and Confirmation, that the same Spirit may sustain them in difficult moments.

Lord, Hear us,

Lord, graciously hear us.

For people who want so much to believe, but find it hard, that the gift of a strong faith may be given them. Lord, Hear us,

Lord, graciously hear us.

For our emigrants and all who are away from home, that our support may remind them of God's care for them.

Lord, Hear us,

Lord, graciously hear us.

For all who have died in Christ that they may be part of God's flock forever.

Lord, Hear us,

Lord, graciously hear us.

For our own needs, for those who have asked for our prayers, whom we remember in silence.

Lord, Hear us,

Lord, graciously hear us.

PRIEST:

O God you are our rock, you made us and know all our needs, listen to our prayers, through Christ our Lord. Amen.

THOUGHT FOR TODAY

NEVER BE ASHAMED OF WITNESSING TO THE LORD (SECOND READING)

In Ireland there are thousands of people who are far from their homeland; Irish people are to be found in every corner of the world. The welcome we give to immigrants and the Christian lives of Irish emigrants abroad can communicate the truth of the Gospel in a restless world.

O that today you would listen to his voice! Harden not your hearts

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BAPTISMS

WE WELCOME TO OUR COMMUNITY ALL THOSE WHO WERE BAPTISED RECENTLY

Sarah Kate Finn, 5, Alber Ave., Monifiath, Dundee, Scotland

Jack Gerard Foley, 183, Willow Field

MARRIAGES

CONGRATULATIONS TO:

Leonard Kirby, 158, Rosewood & Tracey Desmond, 158, Rosewood



IN SYMPATHY

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE FAMILY AND FRIENDS OF: Mary O'Brien, Slough & Knockvilla

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE REPOSE OF THE SOULS OF

Tony McMahon, Dublin Hill (Anniv) Con Murphy, Macroom (Anniv) Mary McNulty, Fr. Sexton Park Paddy Fitton, Ballyshoneen

Patrick Delaney, Kilnaglory

Patrick Murphy, Enniskeane

Bobby & Ann Murphy, The Square

Liam Farrell, Maglin

Jeremiah Healy, Tralee, Co. Kerry

Arthur & Johanna Allen

Tony & Judy O'Sullivan, The Crescent

Jim O'Grady, Sligo

Sheila O'Donovan

James Dillon, Sunday's Well

Christy Buckley, Bakers Road

Denis & Julia Murphy, Aglish & West Village

Denis & Frances Murphy, Lower Farran

John & Ellen Curran

James & Evelyn McSweeney

Danny Carlton, Church View

Lydia Carlton, Church View

Nora Cleary

Michael Kenneally

SAINTS THIS WEEK

9 Tuesday - Sts. Denis, Rusticus and Eleutherius, were beheaded and thrown into the Seine in 258 and later buried at Montmartre. Denis, the first Bishop of Paris, is one the patrons of France. Their finest tribute is the abbey church of Saint-Denis where the kings of France are buried.

11 Thursday - St. Canice, was born in County Derry around 527 and died in 603. Though his people were poor, he studied at Clonard under Finnian and at Glasnevin under Mobhi. A deep friendship developed between himself and Colum Cille, with whom he worked for a time in Scotland, where he set up a number of churches.

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TWENTY-FIFTH WEEK IN ORDINARY TIME 7 Sunday Hab. 1:2-3, 2:2-4. Ps. 94. 2 Tim 1:6-8, 13-14. **Lk. 17:5-10.** Lect I:917

The prophet in the First Reading surrounded by a people of

violence, strife and greed. How is he to live in such a world? He is counselled to have patient faith, to remain faithful despite the apparent hopelessness. Christ's disciples should realise the gift of faith is given to them for perseverance.

8 Monday Jon. 1:1-2:1, 11. Ps. Jon. 2:3-8. Lk. 10:25-37. Lect II:350

Jonah's message is that there is no limit to be put on the extent of God's mercy. Jonah, who benefits from that mercy throughout the first part of the story, is the one who rebels against God's showing mercy to others. The story speaks to all who would attempt to limit God's freedom in his dealings with others.

9 Tuesday Jon. 3:1-10. Ps. 129. Lk. 10:38-42 Lect II:353 The people of Nineveh renounced their evil behaviour, and God relented. "The sinner who by the grace of a merciful God embraces the way of penance comes back to the Father who first loved us, to Christ who gave himself up for us, and to the Holy Spirit who has been poured out on us." Rite of Penance, 5

10 Wednesday Jon. 4:1-11. Ps. 85. Lk. 11:1-4. *Lect II:355* Jonah in his ill-humour is told by God to have a sense of proportion. The lives of all the people of Nineveh are of more account than the dead plant. We must forgive others.

11 Thursday Mal. 3:13-20. Ps. 1. Lk. 11:5-13. Lect II:357 We are asked to make a choice of God's way or the way of the sinners. The choice is ours but God's judgment awaits us. The way of the wicked leads to doom, "but for you who fear, the sun of righteousness will shine out with healing in its rays".

12 Friday Joel. 1:13-15; 2:1-2. Ps. 9. Lk. 11:15-26.

Lect II:359

God will judge with justice. That judgment, because it is so searching, is to be feared. The work of the devil is to create a false security in our lives.

13 Saturday Joel. 4:12-21. Ps. 96. Lk. 11:27-28. *Lect II:362* The word of God goes forth and does not return empty. It calls for repentance; for judgment is near. Happy are those who hear the word of God and keep it.

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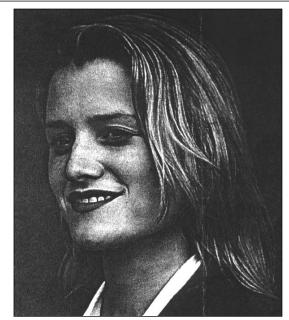
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As part of this campaign we are holding Information Nights in the following locations: Wednesday 3rd October, Doughcloyne Hotel, Togher @ 8.00p.m. Thursday 11th October, Shandon Court Hotel, Shandon @ 8.00p.m.

> Society of St. Vincent de Paul, 2 Tuckey Street, Cork. Tel: 1850 771 881

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ST. MARY & ST. JOHN **CHRIST OUR LIGHT EACH SUNDAY** Masses **Masses ROSARY RECITED** AT BOTH CHURCHES **Sunday:** 8.30, 10.00, 12.00 **Sunday:** 11.00, 12.30, 5.30pm EACH SUNDAY Mon- Fri: 9.30am **Mon-Fri:** 8.30am 3.00P.M. **Saturday:** 10.00, 6pm **Saturday:** 10.00am, 8.00pm Everyone most welcome (Vigil) (Vigil) SACRISTY SERVICES Confessions Confessions Before and after all Masses Saturday: Sundays & Weekdays Saturday: after 10am Mass after 10am Mass CHURCH OF ST. MARY before 6pm Mass & ST. JOHN - Mass Card Signing -**Baptisms Baptisms** Requests for Saturday: 5.00pm Baptism/Marriage Certs, etc. Saturday: 7.15pm **CHRIST OUR LIGHT Sunday:** 12.45pm - Mass Card Signing -

PARISH CLERGY

LOWER INNISCARRA

RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION

TABLE QUIZ

PROCEEDS IN AID OF SENIOR CITIZENS CHRISTMAS PARTY & OTHER PROJECTS

in Ballincollig G.A.A. Pavilion on Wednesday 17th October 2001

£12 per table of 4

BALLINCOLLIG TIDY TOWNS

ANNUAL
GENERAL MEETING

Wednesday 10th October 2001

Venue: Scoil Barra

Time: 8p.m.





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BURN OUT

Lord, I believe I have a just complaint, Hear my story, don't let me down. I have always tried to play fair. Never have I resorted to the physical I have kept my feet firmly on your paths, Championed your cause, proclaimed your word. You have told me of your love

In the words of your Book;

But true love is shown

Not only in words, but in deeds.

Now surprise me with your grace, and

Bless me with your help!

Those I serve don't appear to respond. They seem indifferent to your word.

I reach out in concern and I am cold-shouldered,

They just don't want to know me. Lord, I am weary of well-doing,

I feel burnt out.

Now, guard me as the apple of your eye. Hide me in the shelter of your care. Encourage me in the work I am doing, That inner peace, you alone can bring. I know that one day, I shall see your face, And be filled with the sight of your glory. 'Guard me as the apple of your eye. Hide me in the shadow of your wings As you fly over me

Reflection from Psalm No. 17

OUR GUARDIAN ANGELS!

It is always the women who are

the watchers

And keepers of life: they guard

our exits

And our entrances. They are

both tomb and womb,

End and beginning. Bitterly

they bring forth

And bitterly take back the light

they gave.

The last to leave and still the

first to come.

They circle us like sleep or like

the grave.

Earth is their element, and

in it lies

The seed and silence of the

lighted skies,

The seasons with their fall and

slow uprise,

Man with his sight and militant

surmise.

It is always the women who the Watchers and Wakeners

ST. MARY & ST. JOHN

MINISTERS OF THE WORD OCT. 13TH/14TH

SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT DE PAUL **Monthly Collection**

This Weekend 6th & 7th October 2001 PLEASE SUPPORT

NEXT SUNDAYS READINGS:

2K 5:14-17. Ps. 97. 2 Tim. 2;8-13. Lk. 17;11-19.

No one has come back to give praise to God except this foreigner

6.00p.m.(Vigil) -Karen Sheehan 8.30a.m. -Elaine Murphy 10.00a.m. -**Declan Chalmers** 12 Noon -Tony Hegarty

8.00p.m.(Vigil)Tom Ryan 11.00a.m. -Phil O'Connell 12.30p.m. -Liam Hayes 5.30p.m. -Mary O'Sullivan

CHRIST OUR LIGHT



MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST 13th /14th September 2001 ST. MARY'S & ST. JOHN'S CHURCH



SATURDAY 13TH

6p.m.

Mary O'Donoghue Cait O'Grady Margaret o'Sullivan

Rita Aherne Betty Sheehan **SUNDAY 14TH**

8.30a.m. Mary Buckley Rita Murphy

10a m Maureen Roche Christina Walshe Peter Reilly

Mary Collins

12.00 Noon Oliver O'Donovan Barbara Kelly John Jeffers Mary McLean Ellen Seymour Ita Walshe

CHRIST OUR LIGHT CHURCH

SATURDAY 13TH

8p.m.

Charlie Vaughan Joan Stephenson Maura O'Driscoll SUNDAY 14TH 11a.m. Ann O'Regan

Neil Jeffries Eileen Byrne Mary Coleman Dan Coleman

12.30p.m. Con O'Connell Denis O'Mahony Christine O'Mahony

Tom Murray

5.30p.m. Patsy Galvin Bridie O'Donnell

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CORK BRANCH

THE ALZHEIMER SOCIETY OF IRELAND (CORK BRANCH) CARERS SUPPORT MEETING

MONDAY 8TH OCTOBER 2001 IN JURY'S HOTEL AT 8P.M.

SELF-HELP HEALTH

Learn self-help techniques for coping with stress, depression, anxiety, anger management, fears, phobias, panic attacks.

RECOVERY invites everyone to attend its weekly self-help meeting at Capucian Friary, next door to Holy Trinity Church, Father Matthew Quay, Cork every Wednesday at 7.30p.m.

All are welcome to attend

CARRIGROHANE UNION OF PARISHES

The Annual Charity Sale will be held in the Parish Hall, Church Hill, Carrigrohane on Saturday 13th October, starting at 2.00p.m. Proceeds in aid of Cork Simon Community, Ballincollig Meals on Wheels, and Cuanlea

All Welcome Admission Free

CHANGE IN DEADLINE

Please note that with IMMEDIATE EFFECT, all articles for Publication in the Ballincollig Parishioner should be submitted to the Sacristy by 8.30pm on Tuesday nights

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BALLINCOLLIG TIDY TOWNS

Awards Winners 28th September 2001

SCHOOL CATEGORY

Highly commended

Colaiste Choilm & Scoil Mhuire

Overall Winner

Scoil Barra

COMMERCIAL & INDUSTRIAL

Highly commended

Ballincollig Technology Park & Moremiles Tyre Centre

Overall Winner

Great Island Enterprise Park

SERVICE STATIONS

Highly commended

Shell Service Station East Gate

Overall Winner

Statoil Service Station

SHOP FRONTS

Highly commended

Opti-Store

Chartbusters

House of Flowers

Ballincollig Credit Union

Westward Cleaners

Blackadder/Café Bar

Overall Winner

Tudor Rose Florists

FRONT GARDEN - WINDOW BOX

4th Sean & Mary Hill, Coolroe Heights 3rd Maeve Murphy, Innishmore Court 2nd Mary Murphy, Pine Walk 1st Tim O'Connell, Leeview

FRONT GARDEN - GARDEN TUB

4th Joe Sheehan, Island Way 3rd Sgt. Tim Bowe, Garda Station 2nd Mary O'Connell, Main Street 1st Tim O'Connell, Leeview

FRONT GARDEN - HANGING BASKET

4th Maeve Murphy, Innishmore Court 3rd Breda & Michael Burke, Avoncourt 2nd Zena Gibson, Wyndham Downs 1st Susan Curran, Westcliffe

FRONT GARDEN

Highly commendeds

4th P. J. Bohan, Station Cross 3rd Sheila Cahill, Woodberry, Greenfields 2nd Geraldine Murphy, Willow Drive 1st Zena Gibson, Wyndham Downs

Winners

4th Tim O'Connell, Leeview 3rd Maeve Murphy, Innishmore Court 2nd Susan Curran, Westcliffe 1st Breda & Michael Burke, Avoncourt

PUBLIC BUILDINGS

Highly commended

Cork County Council Innishmore

Overall Winner

Ballincollig Garda Station

ESTATES UP TO 40 HOUSES

Highly commended City West Mews **Overall Winner** O'Donovan's Crescent

ESTATES 40-120 HOUSES

Highly commended Bridge Water **Overall Winner** Coolroe Heights

ESTATES 120+ HOUSES

Highly commended Beech Park

Overall Winner Westcourt/Westcourt Heights

OVERALL ESTATE WINNER

Westcliffe

CORK MENDED HEARTS

(Surgical Heart Patients Association)



will hold a

THANKSGIVING & REMEMBRANCE MASS

Cork University Hospital on Thursday 11th October at 7.30p.m.

All patients, families and friends are most welcome to attend

BALLINCOLLIG BASKETBALL CLUB

MENS RESULTS

Despite having only five players, our Junior 2 Men's team still managed to defeat Fr. Matthew's by a good margin last Friday. Ballincollig were under strength but even so put in a good performance and beat the opposition by 12pts.

LADIES RESULTS

Our Under 12 girls were very unlucky in the final of their tournament last Thursday, when they got off to a very slow start. During the second half they did begin to pull the score back but unfortunately it was too late.

The Un 16 Ladies faced Crosshaven in their final on Thursday also, in what was a closely fought game. However in the second half Ballincollig began to tire and Crosshaven took advantage of this to take the win.

The Inter Ladies played Glanmire 2 in a hard and physical game in which Glanmire had a 20pt handicap. Ballincollig were extremely unlucky when a number shots missed the basket by a fraction and Glanmire took the win.

A young Ballincollig Jun. 1 team showed great skill and spirit against a much more experienced Celts team when they played them last weekend.

The Celts would have been expecting to win by a big margin considering the youth of the Ballincollig side, but our girls kept the Celts scoring low due to some great defense work and were unlucky to lose by only 7pts.

There was a good turnout and interest in the level 1 Coaching Course held in B.C.S. This course will run for the next 3 weeks.

The club will shortly be starting a member's lotto draw to run for a period of 12 months in order to raise funds for the club. Each team will be allocated a number of tickets and early purchase is advised. More details of this next week

MENS RESULTS

Friday October 5th - Parochial Hall	Friday	October	5th -	Parochial	Hall
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7.30pm Blue Demons v Ballincollig Un-15

Saturday October 6th - Parochial Hall

Un-13 Tournament

8.45am Blue Demons v Ballincollig

10.15am Ballincollig v Midleton

1.15pm Neptune B v Ballincollig

2.45pm Ballincollig v St. Brendans

Semi-Finals 4.30pm Finals 5.15pm

Tuesday October 9th - Parochial Hall

7.30pm Garda v Ballincollig Div. 2

Thursday October 11th - Neptune Stadium

6.00pm Neptune v Ballincollig Un-11 6.00pm Neptune B v Ballincollig Un-13

7.00pm Neptune v Ballincollig Un-15

8.00pm Neptune v Ballincollig Un-17 9.00pm Neptune v Ballincollig Div. 2

LADIES RESULTS

Saturday October 6th - Skibbereen

6.30pm Sparrows v Ballincollig Un-12

7.30pm Starlings v Ballincollig Un-14

8.30pm Striders v Ballincollig Un-18

Wednesday October 10th - Crosshaven

7.30pm Crosshaven v Ballincollig Jun. 1

13th - B.C.S., Ballincollig

4.15pm Ballincollig v Skibbereen Un-15

5.15pm Ballincollig v Skibbereen Un-16

6.15pm Ballincollig v Skibbereen Inter

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