

# THE BALLINCOLLIG PARISHIONER



**SUNDAY 3RD FEBRUARY 2002**

**FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**



*Our weaknesses and limitations can sometimes frustrate us, but they can also lead us to see our dependence on God. If we turn to him as the only source of our life and strength, his power will work through our weakness, and we will be blessed.*

**EAMON KELLY,  
IRELAND'S MASTER STORYTELLER REMEMBERED.**

It was with some sadness that I learned of the death of Eamon Kelly last October. From a very young age I have been a fan of his and as a Christmas present I received a copy of a video of Eamon in action telling his stories in the traditional setting that he liked. For me no one could ever take his place. Many have tried to imitate him over the years, telling Eamon's stories their way, sadly they are only imitations. He gave an insight into a very simple but difficult way of life that he experienced growing up in Kerry at a time when there was no electricity, television or telephone's and when motorised transport was way out into the future. He was a master of drawing pictures with words, sadly in an age of communication we cannot compete with the creative skill that he and those of his generation had.

Where would you hear someone say "his teeth were swimming in his mouth for want of a taste of...." or describing someone walking home from a pub, late at night, well lubricated, falling into a hole commenting, "bad cess to you for a Moon you'd be out a bright night"! I have never heard the quality of simple and uncomplicated English that he had in any of the modern day Soaps on TV that you could say replaced the likes of him. It was not the ending or the plot in the story that mattered but the telling.

His recollections of Christmas's long ago were legendary, about candles lighting the way of the Lord in the windows of the homes around his native Kerry, describing the Christmas Candle as "almost the thickness of the handle of a spade and God Knows then, nearly as long".

I remember well the night of the televised version of the "Tailor and Ansty" when it was shown back in the 70's. He played the role of the Tailor, with his wife Maire playing Ansty. Knowing the location of the Tailor's cottage well and having read the book that was given to me by my Grandmother at the time. I followed that programme in fine detail enjoying every minute of it. That book is a treasured possession for the memories it holds.

A professional Actor, his skills came out in his storytelling holding his audience captive and spellbound. The oft read Gospel reading at funerals reads "in my Fathers House there are many Mansions". Eamon's comment to his friend Fr. Dermot McCarthy, was "a small cottage would do me"!

To keep a hold of the tradition that Eamon kept alive in life, that of good conversation in our homes when a visitor calls, could we pass on the idea of turning off the TV? "They went the lower road, I came by the high road, they crossed over the the stepping stones and I came by the bridge, they were drowned and I was saved and all I ever got for my storytelling was shoes of brown paper and stockings of thick milk. I only know what I heard, I only heard what was said and a lot of what was said was made up to pass the night away". Ar Dheis Dé go raibh anam Dilis. Life is like a blue bag, knock a squeeze out of it while you can.

*Fr. Pat*

**PRAYERS OF  
THE FAITHFUL**

**PRIEST:**

We bring our prayers to God, who raises up those who are bowed down.

**READER:**

That those who suffer persecution for their faith may receive strength and courage, we pray.

Lord, Hear us,  
**Lord, graciously hear us.**

That those who hunger and thirst for justice may see it come to pass, we pray.

Lord, Hear us,  
**Lord, graciously hear us.**

That peacemakers may succeed in ending hatred between people and nations, we pray.

Lord, Hear us,  
**Lord, graciously hear us.**

That those suffering from illness may know the healing power of God, we pray.

Lord, Hear us,  
**Lord, graciously hear us.**

That all who mourn may experience comfort, we pray

Lord, Hear us,  
**Lord, graciously hear us.**

**PRIEST:**

Lord our God, you keep faith with people in any kind of need; hear the prayer we make to you, through Christ our Lord. Amen.

**THOUGHT FOR TODAY**

**THEIRS IS THE KINGDOM OF HEAVEN (GOSPEL)**

*The Beatitudes turn expectations upside down. The poor; the mourners, the persecuted, those who work for justice and peace, those who are gentle and merciful and pure in heart will receive God's promise. They, rather than those who fight their corner; who look out for their own interests, who are seen as successes will be happy in God's kingdom.*

***How happy are the poor in Spirit; theirs is the kingdom of heaven***

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**BAPTISMS**



WE WELCOME TO OUR COMMUNITY  
ALL THOSE WHO WERE BAPTISED RECENTLY :  
Colin Daniel Feeney, 180 Rosewood  
Lydia Kay Connelly, 47 Greenfields  
Oisín Martin Roche, 13 Avoncourt

**+**  
**IN SYMPATHY**

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE FAMILY AND FRIENDS OF:  
Bob Foolkes, Ballyphehane  
Ida Judge, Inniscarra  
Peter Aherne, Ballinlough  
Maura O' Brien, Wilton  
Thomas Mulcahy, Gillabbey St.,  
Betty Dorgan, Ballinlough  
Maureen O'Donovan, Ballinlough  
Dan Daly, Fountainstown

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

Denis & Mary Desmond, Frenches Villas  
Sheila O'Donovan, Rochestown  
Michael Gilleran, Rosewood  
Nellie O'Mahony, Clash Rd.  
Mona Healy, Bishopstown  
John, Mary & Tom Dobbyn, Main St  
Billy Kemp  
Bridget O'Regan, Carriganarra  
Michael & Elizabeth Cunningham, Waterford  
Laurence & Julie Buckley, Dripsey  
Laurence Healy, Springmount, Carrigaline  
Mary O Keeffe, Church View  
Frank Bogue, Carrigrohane  
Christopher Bogue, Kinsale  
Frances O'Neill & Daunt Family  
Pat & Ann Manning, Farranree  
John & Timothy Murphy, Currabeg, Ovens  
Jim Spencer, West Village  
Margaret McCarthy, Rosewood  
Eileen O'Connor, Wicklow  
Sean O'Riordan, Beech Rd  
John Barry-Murphy, Farnanes  
Joe & Mona Thuillier, Kinsale  
Eileen Carroll, Glasheen Rd  
Patrick Cronin, Skibbereen & Donegal  
Denis, Breeda & James O' Donoghue, Hodders Villas  
Dan Conway, Ovens  
Nora Hegarty, Skibbereen & Dublin  
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Mary Conway, Ovens  
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**FOURTH WEEK IN ORDINARY TIME**

**3 Sunday Zeph. 2:3. 3:12-13. Ps. 145. 1 Cor. 1:26-31.  
Mt.5; 1-12. Lect I; 647**

St Augustine notes: "Therefore the Lord too has placed his seal on his day, which is the third after the Passion, In the weekly cycle, however, it is the eighth day after the seventh, that is after the Sabbath, and the first day of the week." The distinction of Sunday from the Jewish Sabbath grew ever stronger in the mind of the Church, even though there have been times in history when, because the obligation of Sunday rest was so emphasised, the Lord's Day tended to become more like the Sabbath.

*Dies Domini, Pope John Paul II, 31 May 1998, n.23.*

**4 Monday 2 Sam. 15:13-14, 30. 16:5-13. Ps 3. Mk 5:1-20.  
Lect II: 498**

David, fleeing from his son Absalom, is merciful to Shimei, who curses him. Jesus shows God's mercy to the possessed man who accosts him.

**5 Tuesday 2 Sam. 18:9-19:3. Ps. 85. Mk. 5:21-43.  
Lect II: 500**

"Absalom! My son! My son!" David's classic cry of grief turns the day's victory into mourning. His human feeling for his son transcends all the young man's faults. Jesus shows compassion for the suffering of the official whose daughter has died.

**6 Wednesday 2 Sam. 24:2. 9-17. Ps. 31. Mk. 6:1 -6.  
Lect II: 503**

David suffers for his pride in taking a census. Jesus is rejected by his own people. Sts Paul Miki & Companions martyred at Nagasaki, Japan, in 1597. The 6 Franciscans, 17 Franciscan Tertiaries, and 3 Jesuits died suspended on crosses.

**7 Thursday 1 K. 2; 1 -4, 10-12. Ps. I Chr. 29. Mk. 6:7-13.  
Lect II: 506**

David as he dies calls on his people to walk loyally before the Lord. The promise of the prophet Nathan that God would maintain David's line for ever was the foundation for later messianic hopes. According to the New Testament, those hopes were fulfilled in Jesus, who was descended from David.

**8 Friday Sir. 47:2-11. Ps. 17. Mk. 6:14-29.  
Lect II: 508**

David is eulogised and praised for his life's achievements. John the Baptist is put to death because he is a threat to the king.

**9 Saturday 1 K. 3:4-13. Ps. 118. Mk. 6:30-34.  
Lect II: 510**

Solomon is remembered and favoured for the beauty of his choice of gift from God. His desire was for a heart to discern between good and evil. Jesus took pity on the crowd for they were like sheep without a shepherd. May the Good Shepherd make us always ready to do God's will in every kind of good action.

**SAINTS THIS WEEK**

**5th - St Agatha** died a martyr for the faith at Catania in Sicily in 3rd Century. Patron of bell-founders.

**7th - St Mel** is said to have been a Briton who came to Ireland with St Patrick and with whom he worked until he was ordained in Ardagh 488.

**8th - St Jerome Emiliani**, d. 1537, converted in later life after a military career he rounded the Clerks Regular of Somascha for the care of orphans and the poor. Patron saint of orphans.

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## TAKE A STEP FOR LENT

*Get an overview of the Scripture Readings  
chosen for Lent 2002.*

*Fr. Gould, C.C. will be our guide at  
the community centre, on Thursday, 7th February  
Time: 7.30p.m. - 9.00p.m.*

All Welcome

[ of special interest to Ministers of the Word ]

## UPTON FLOWER FESTIVAL

celebrates

# THE JOY OF CREATION

*On the 1st, 2nd and 3rd of February, St Patricks Church in Upton  
will come alive in the creative hands of flower arrangers.*

*They will celebrate the Joys of Creation in exhibits based on Biblical themes.*

*The Festival will be opened at 7.30 pm on Friday 1st Feb by Charlie Wilkins*

*and will continue on Sat 2nd Feb from 12pm to 9pm*

*and on Sunday 3rd Feb 12pm to 6pm.*

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## THE ALZHEIMER SOCIETY of IRELAND

THE ALZHEIMER SOCIETY OF IRELAND (CORK BRANCH)

### CARERS SUPPORT MEETING

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 11TH, 2002, IN JURY'S HOTEL AT 8P.M.

### OUR LADY OF GUADALOUPE

*Will anyone who has information on  
pilgrimages to the above Marian  
shrine please contact me as soon as  
possible. Thank You.*

MARY WRENNE - 021 487 3676

### **FATIMA APOSTOLATE GROUP BALLINCOLLIG**

The Monthly Meeting of the Apostolate  
will be held on Monday next,  
February 4th, 2002  
at 7pm in the Youth House,  
Station Road, Ballincollig  
*All are welcome to attend*

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

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**AFTERNOON OF PRAYER**

(1.30pm to 6.00pm)

*Carmelite College, Castlemartyr, Co Cork*

**SUNDAY 10th February 2002**

Theme:

*" The Cross - the price of our sins "*

Directed by:

**Father Michael Fitzgerald**

*Afternoon programme includes Mass - also a Talk, Rosary & Adoration*

Refreshments

Offering for the day €4.00

**FURTHER INFORMATION: GEAROID DUFFY - CORK TEL: 4541207 AFTER 6 PM**



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**The Dominican Centre.**

**Pope's Quay. Cork,**

**Programme:**

**February - March 2002**

**BEREAVEMENT MINISTRY IN THE PARISH**

*A day looking at bereavement in the Christian community. A step-by-step guide to setting up a bereavement ministry group in your own parish. Parish groups welcome.*

**Feb. 16th 10.00am - 4.00pm**

**Course Leader: Anne Francis**

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**THIRST FOR GOD**

*Like the deer that pants for running streams,*

*So my soul is yearning for you my God.*

*I thirst for God the living God.*

*Where can I find him to come and stand before him?*

*Now I long for a deeper sense of your presence.*

*To meet you in prayer, in the stillness of my heart,*

*To relish once more those treasured moments,*

*Anticipating heaven on earth.*

*I recall so well, that lively faith of my youth,*

*How I sang so vibrantly those hymns of praise,*

*How I listened intently to your word*

*Ever eager to join family and friends*

*In the house of the Lord.*

*But now, my heart feels empty.*

*Doubt like a wave floods my soul.*

*I try to pray, but there's a dryness within.*

*Even the very thought of heaven seems hollow.*

*I hear voices around me say;*

*"Where is your God?"*

*O Lord, send forth your light and your truth*

*Let them lead me to your Holy Place.*

*There I will go to the altar of God.*

*I will go with great joy.*

*Psalms 42 - 43*

**NEXT SUNDAYS READINGS:**

**Is.58:-7-10. Ps. 111. 1 Cor. 2:1-5. Mt. 5:13-16**

**MINISTERS OF THE WORD 9TH/10TH FEB**

**ST. MARY & ST. JOHN**

**CHRIST OUR LIGHT**

6.00p.m.(Vigil) - Karen Sheehan	8.00p.m.(Vigil) - Michael Greene
8.30a.m. - Elaine Murphy	11.00a.m. - Fiona O'Connor
10.00a.m. - Margot Twomey	12.30p.m. - Pat Mc Geough
12 Noon - Tony Lynch	5.30p.m. - Margaret Murphy

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Monthly Collection**

**This Weekend**

**2nd & 3rd February**

**PLEASE SUPPORT**

**MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST**

**9th / 10th February 2002**

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



**SATURDAY 9TH**

**6p.m.**

Vera Allen

Bernadette Bell

Oliver Delaney

Betty Casey

Frank Riordan

Siobhan Riordan

**SUNDAY 10TH**

**8.30a.m.**

Mary Buckley

Theresa Lucey

**10a.m.**

Anne Cahill

Pat Lee

May Delaney

Seamus O'Shea

**12.00 Noon**

Joan Barrett

Sheila Carroll

Marsie Curling

Pat Keenan

Will Casey

Steve Wills

**CHRIST OUR LIGHT CHURCH**

**SATURDAY 9TH**

**8p.m.**

Geraldine Lynch

Charlie Vaughan

Joan Stephenson

**SUNDAY 10TH**

**11a.m.**

Maíre Uí Chruaí

Neil Jeffries

Eileen Byrne

Mary Coleman

Dan Coleman

**12.30p.m.**

Con O'Connell

Denis O'Mahony

Christine O'Mahony

Tom Murray

Maura Lombard

**5.30p.m.**

Patsy Galvin

Bridie O'Donnell

Phil O'Connell

## PILGRIMAGE

*"Very prayerful, very peaceful and truly uplifting". - The Wrenn Family*

To:

'OUR LADY QUEEN OF PEACE HOUSE OF PRAYER'

Achill, Co Mayo. On Sat 16th February 2002

Staying Overnight,

SATURDAY 16th Feb Bus Departs Kinsale 6.15am

6.30am Stop at BELGOOLY, for passengers.

6.35am Stop at RIVERSTICK, for passengers.

6.40am Stop at FIVE MILE BRIDGE, for passengers.

6.45am Stop at PARNELL PLACE, for passengers.

6.55am Stop at COMMONS ROAD, The Commons Inn, for passengers.

7.00am Stop at BALLINCOLLIG, The White Horse Inn, for passengers.

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# Paray Le-Monial PILGRIMAGE

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Sunday 3rd February 2002

**THE BALLINCOLLIG PARISHIONER****BALLINCOLLIG BASKETBALL CLUB NOTES AND FIXTURES.**

Our Inter ladies put in an unusually poor performance when they were beaten in their game against Pandas last Thursday. Ballincollig did not seem to be able to find any of their pre-Christmas form, and were completely dominated by the Pandas.

On Sat our un-12 girls team played well in their game against Carrigaline and were rewarded for their hard work with a substantial win over their opponents. Ballincollig took the lead early on in the game and blocked Carrigaline at every throw, making it impossible for them to score. Our un-14 girls were unbelievably unlucky in their game against Carrigaline. Ballincollig were definitely the better team on the night, but in the closing minutes of the game, Carrigaline just managed to get the ball past our defence and this score gave them the one point lead they needed to win the game.

Our girls were disappointed with the loss but overall they were pleased with their performance. The un-16 ladies had a good close game against Crosshaven but were unable to make their hard work pay off. Crosshaven, whose defence was very strong on the night, just held Ballincollig off long enough to take the win. Our Junior 1 ladies also had a very close game against Glanmire. The lead changed hands frequently through out the match, but by the end of the second half, Glanmire just managed to pull away and Ballincollig were unable to catch up. Our men's un 17 team had a very easy win against Skibbereen last Tues in Skibbereen Community Centre. Our Ballincollig team dominated the game from the start and left very little scoring opportunities for a Skibbereen side that never really looked like getting into the game.

**LADIES FIXTURES - FEBRUARY 2002**

Saturday 2nd Feb - Little Island Sports Centre

Girls un-11 tournament

10.00 a.m. Ballincollig v Donoughmore

11.20 a.m. Ballincollig v Brunell A

12.40 a.m. Ballincollig v Brunell B

1.20 p.m. Ballincollig v Glanmire

Saturday 2nd Feb - Carrigaline Comm. Centre

4.15 p.m. Carrigaline v Ballincollig Un 16

5.15 p.m. Carrigaline v Ballincollig Un 18

Sunday 3rd Feb - BCS Ballincollig

11.30 a.m. Ballincollig v Mallow Un 16

12.30 p.m. Ballincollig v Mallow Un 18

Thursday 7th - Parochial Hall

8.30 p.m. Glanmire v Ballincollig Junior I

Saturday 9th - Under 14 Tournament -Parochial Hall

**MENS FIXTURES - FEBRUARY 2002**

Friday 1st Feb - Kanturk Vocational School

8.00 p.m. Kanturk v Ballincollig Div 2

Saturday 2nd - Under 12 Tournament -Parochial Hall

Sunday 2nd Feb - BCS Ballincollig

2.00 p.m. Ballincollig v Mallow Un 13

3.00 p.m. Ballincollig v Mallow Un 15

4.00 p.m. Ballincollig v St. Colm's Un 17

5.00 p.m. Ballincollig v Blue Demons A Div 2

Tuesday 5th - Mallow Youth Club

7.00 p.m. Mallow v Ballincollig Un 11

Friday 8th - Parochial Hall

8.00 p.m. Ballincollig v Cobh Div 2

**ACKNOWLEDGEMENT.**

The family of the late Mrs Hannah Dempsey of "Mayvielle" Model Farm Road, Carrigrohane, Co. Cork, wish to extend sincere thanks to Sr. Marcella, Doctors and all the staff of Marymount Hospice, the Doctors and staff of the South Infirmary-Victoria Hospital, Southern Health Board Nurses and Carer's, her special friend Ann, the Priests of the Parish and visiting Priests. Thanks also to those who attended her funeral services, the Choir and all those who sent floral tributes and Mass cards. The Holy Sacrifice of The Mass will be offered for your intentions.