

THE BALLINCOLLIG PARISHIONER

Sunday 12-October-2003



St. Mary & St. John
Station Road

Day for Life
He who seeks wisdom and eternal life, is reminded, that no earthly value can be compared to them. We may agree that all gold is but a little sand before the realities of God, but are we able to follow through this image with the reality of our living?



Are we really ready, to sell what ever we have and give it to the poor, so as to follow Christ?



Christ Our Light
Innishmore

Christian Ministry

We live in interesting times - at least some people express that opinion from time to time. Recently Prime - Time conducted a national poll on religious attitudes and practices. Some of the information gleaned from this survey received widespread coverage. Today I want to refer to one reply - that told us that 87 percent of parents want their children brought up as Catholics. I find that information a pleasant surprise and it begs another question - What do I mean when I say brought up as a Catholic? I think for starters that means being Baptised; receiving my First Holy Communion and being Confirmed. When I am happy just to confine my notion and my life of being a Catholic to the foregoing I think I am a bit like the hurler on the ditch; I can moan and criticise but I am not playing the game so I am not involved; I have no idea of the commitment given by the players and perhaps I don't know very much about the game. I think much more is possible e.g. Belief in a personal God; valuing private prayer and reflecting on the Scriptures as well as trying to live a life modelled on Jesus Christ. There is much more also.

The Parish council decided at its recent meeting on Monday 6th October to help children and hopefully parents to come to appreciate and understand the Gospel passage read at Mass each Sunday through word searches, puzzles, quizzes and drawings; these will come on a prepared sheet that the children can occupy themselves while the big people try to listen to the Word of God. (Copy of sheet on notice board.) Further details later on; possible start up date Sunday 19th October at 11.00am in Christ Our Light. Helpers and parents support gladly appreciated.

A recent heading on the County supplement of the Irish Examiner read Bishop asks the Church in Cork to consider it's future "The bishop is Rt. Rev. Paul Colton, Church of Ireland Bishop of Cork, Cloyne and Ross. A speaker at the same meeting went on to say our core activity must be christian ministry.

George O'Mahony

Thought for Today

We live in a time when material possessions are easy to accumulate. Their quality and inventory may vary from family to family, but it's safe to say that most of us own more, wear more, drive more, and eat more than we need for survival. From time to time, it's good for parents to take stock of the things surrounding them and notice what it is we hold on to. Why do we hold on and would it be better to let go of some things? Sometimes our possessions can make us slaves to them.

PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL

Priest

The Lord shows pity to all who serve, so we ask for help and guidance.

Reader

For all the baptised, that they may have the divine gifts of wisdom and prudence.

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

For those who have left everything to follow Christ, that their promised reward may keep them going in difficult times.

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

For people who have been blessed with wealth, that they may never forget the poor people on their doorstep.

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

For young people, that they may make the Christian ideals their own.

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

For those who have died especially those in our thoughts today, that the light of God's glory may shine on them.

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

A moment's quiet prayer for our own needs.....

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

Priest

Lord, your favour shines out upon us, you give success to the work of our hands: help us according to our needs, we pray, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

Fill us with your love that we may rejoice.

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BAPTISMS

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

Sean Pdraig, Diarmuid Collins, 2 Hill Ave., Model Farm Road.
Laurie Tia Kelly, Beechmount, Carrigrohane.
Grace Aoife Collins, 56 Fern Walk, Greenfields.
Ryan Andrew Callaghan, 78 Maple Lawn, Muskerry Est.

MARRIAGES

CONGRATULATIONS TO:

Thomas Dennehy, Rathduff, Co. Cork & Selina Murphy, 184 Rosewood Est.
Keith Alan Magee, Newbridge, Co. Kildare & Imelda Mary McCarthy, Newbridge, Co. Kildare.
Colm Cassidy, West Henden, London & Sandra Elizabeth McAllen, 11 Innishmore Court.
Fergal Richard O'Connell, 22 Sweetbriar Lane & Siobhan Grimsley, 22 Sweetbriar Lane.

† **IN SYMPATHY** †

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE FAMILY AND FRIENDS OF THE RECENTLY DECEASED :

Jack Houlihan.
Paul Griffin, Beverley Ovens.
Denis Twomey, Greenfields.
Tom McGrath, Cloyne.
Joseph Meaney, Limerick.
Diarmuid O'Leary, Ballinlough & Carrigaline.
Stuart Daniel Sherratt, Waterfall.
James Walsh, Carrigaline.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE REPOSE OF THE SOULS OF THE FOLLOWING WHOSE ANNIVERSARY OCCURS:

Peg & John O'Hanlon, Ballyduff
James Dillon, Sunday's Well
Mary Theresa Kelleher, Inniscarra
O'Shea & Wrenne Families, Waterfall & Novol
Deceased members Ryan & Conway families
Joan O'Keefe, Bantry
Patrick & Nora Riordan, Ballingearry
Thomas McNamara, Powdermills.
Judy and Tony O'Sullivan, The Crescent.
Dawn Maria McSweeney, Carrigrohane.
Donor & Special Intention.
Nellie O'Leary, Kilmichael.
Kathy and Jack Foley, Waterfall.
Denis J. Callanan, Innishmore.
Nora Maverley, Quaker Road.
Ger and Mary Buttimer, Kilmichael.
Nora Healy, Late of Madonna House.
Danny Carlton, Church View.
Lydia Carlton, Church View.
Deceased Members of the O'Neill Family, Castletownbere.
Joe Le Blanc, 2 Beech Road, Muskerry Estate.
Dan Burke, Whitechurch.
Con Nagle, Coachford.
John Hogan, Ballinlough & Dunmore East.
Richard Wiseman, Rathmore.
Christina O'Keefe.
Margaret Broderick, Wyndham Downs.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

TWENTY EIGHT WEEK IN ORDINARY TIME

- 12 Sunday Wis 7:7-11. Ps 90. Heb 4:12-1. Mk. 10:17-30. Lect 1:810
- 13 Monday Rom. 1 :1-7. Ps. 97. Lk. 11 :29-32. Lect II:364
- 14 Tuesday Rom.1:16-25. Ps.18. Lk.11:37-41. Lect II:366
- 15 Wednesday Rom. 2: 1-11. Ps. 61. Lk. 11 :42-46. Lect II:368
- 16 Thursday Rom. 3:21-30. Ps. 129. Lk. 11 :47-54. Lect II:370
- 17 Friday Rom. 4:1-8. Ps. 31. Lk. 12:1-7. Lect II:372
- 18 Saturday Tim. 4: 10-17. Ps. 144. Lk. 10: 1-9. Lect II:1233

Lectio Divina

Fr. Michel de Verteuil, the renowned Lectio Divina teacher from Trinidad, will be in Cork from October 13th to 16th, 2003. He will conduct four sessions entitled "Deepening your Lectio Divina Practice" from Monday, October 13th to Thursday, October 16th, 2003 each evening from 7.30 pm to 9.30 pm. The venue will be St Aloysius School, Sharman Crawford Street, Cork. For further details, please contact Sr. Elma Coakley, Tel: 021-4811453.

Suicide Helpline

1800 742 745

6 to 10 pm daily

The Southern Health Board will provide advice, support and assistance to individuals who are feeling suicidal and to family members, friends, professionals and others who know someone who is showing symptoms of depression, anxiety or who is threatening suicide or self-harm.

Simon Shop needs Stock

Is it time to get clear out the wardrobe? The Cork Simon Community urgently requires good quality clothes, shoes, books and bric-a-brac for their shop on North Main Street. These goods will be given to homeless people or resold to raise funds for the Cork Simon Community. The Simon Shop is on 97 North Main Street and is open 10 am to 5 pm Monday to Saturday.

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Will hold Blood Donor Clinics In the

GAA Pavilion, Ballincollig

On Mon 20th, Tue 21st, Wed 22nd & Thur 23rd October 2003

From 3 pm to 5 pm & 7 pm to 9 pm.

Blood is urgently required

Please make a special effort to attend.

THE SUNDAY READINGS

First Reading: Wisdom 7:7-11
Each of us needs prudence, maturity, sound judgment -- such things are more valuable than gold or silver -- such things are wisdom, a gift from God.

Second Reading: Hebrews 4:12-13
A two-edged sword cuts both ways; it is doubly sharp. In the same way, the Bible has the power of God. A good Catholic studies the Word of God, cherishes the Word of God, and lives by the Word of God.

Gospel: Mark 10:17-30
What must I do to inherit eternal life? Man of desires, he expresses the deep-rooted desire for life. Man without a name he could be any one of us. His seeking for life inevitably brings him to the question about God. "No one is good but God alone." To recall this truth is, for Jesus, a way of getting to the heart of the matter.



SAINT OF THE WEEK

St. Teresa of Avila 15-October-2003

In every age women of extraordinary holiness appear in the Church. The saint of our time is undoubtedly Mother Theresa of Calcutta renowned for her humility, service of the poor, personal poverty, kindness and holiness.

St. Teresa of Avila was such a woman in her time, which spanned the middle of the sixteenth century. Born in 1515, she died in 1558 at the age of sixty-seven. The city of Avila is located in central Spain, not far from the capital Madrid.

As a young person, Teresa wasn't all that interested in religion. She preferred romantic novels and beautiful clothes. When she entered the convent, it was like a club for young women filled with gossip, games and good food. After twenty years of this easygoing convent life she wanted more. She yearned for a place where the real Carmelite life would be lived - with prayer, silence and fasting. She set about creating such a place for herself. She founded such a convent at Avila at the age of forty-seven. Further foundations followed all across Spain. There was no shortage of vocations to this life of austerity.

St. Teresa is remembered not only for her work in reforming convent life but also for her writings, which related her personal mystical experiences. She was the first woman to be known as a doctor of the Church and is patron of lace makers and headache sufferers.

ANNUAL CEMETERY MASSES
St. Oliver's

Will take place on Saturday 15th November 2003 at 2 pm

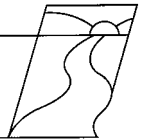
St. Mary & St. John's (adjoining cemetery)
Will take place on Saturday 22nd November 2003 at 2 pm

The Ten Commandments

You shall not take the name of the Lord your God in vain.
Have I been hypocritical by adhering to a ritualistic observance while my heart has been far from God? Have I resorted to profane language by cursing and swearing?
In conversation, have I passively acceded to slander and to jokes aimed at demeaning religion, the church or God's authority?

(Next week a reflection on the third commandment)

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OPEN EVENING

For prospective pupils and their parents
Thursday 16th October 2003.
Principal's address 8:00 pm

Lower Inniscarra Residents Association
Will hold a Table Quiz on Monday 15th October 2003 at the GAA Pavilion, Ballincollig.

Tables of four €12.00.
Proceeds in aid of senior citizens of parish and local activities.

Cork Mended Hearts
(Surgical Heart Patients Association)
it's great to be alive!



THE MENDED HEARTS
Annual Thanksgiving and Remembrance Mass to be held at
Cork University Hospital Chapel, Wilton
on Thursday, 16th October at 7.30 pm.
Mass concelebrated by
Fr. Bob Brophy
Fr. James Good
Dean Denis O'Connor
accompanied by Christ the King Choir.
Enquiries to (021) 4961541

Envelope Collection
Propagation of the Faith
Mission Sunday
Next Weekend 18th & 19th October

MINISTERS OF THE WORD

Oct-18 & Oct-19-2003

St. Mary & St. John

Christ Our Light

6:00 pm (Vigil)
Karen Sheehan
8:30 am
Elizabeth Daly
10:00 am
Elaine Murphy
12:00 Noon
Tony Hegarty

8:00 pm (Vigil)
Jacinta Jeffers
11:00 am
Jack Dorgan
12:30 pm
Bernard Valley
5:30 pm
Tom Reck

MASS TIMES

St. Mary & St. John

Christ Our Light

8:30am, 10am & 12 noon	Sunday	11am, 12:30pm & 5:30pm
9:30 am	Monday	8:30 am
9:30 am	Tuesday	8:30 am
9:30 am	Wednesday	8:30 am
9:30 am	Thursday	8:30 am
9:30 am	Friday	8:30 am
10:00 am & 6 pm (Vigil)	Saturday	9:00 am & 8 pm (Vigil)

CONFESSIONS

After 10:00 am Mass & before 6:00 pm Mass **Saturday** After 9:00 am Mass

BAPTISMS

5:00 pm **Saturday** 7:15 pm
12:45 pm **Sunday**

MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST

Oct-18 & Oct-19-2003

St. Mary & St. John

Christ Our Light

6.00 pm Vera Allen
Ber Bell
Oliver Delaney
Betty Casey
Frank Riordan
Siobhan Riordan

8:30 am Mary Buckley
Theresa Lucey

10:00 am Anne Cahill
Pat Lee
May Delaney
Seamus O'Shea
John O'Donovan

12 Noon Joan Barrett
Sheila Carroll
Marsie Curling
Will Casey
Geraldine Graham

8:00 pm Geraldine Lynch
Charlie Vaughan
Joan Stephenson

11:00 am Marie Ui Chrualaof
Neil Jeffers
Eileen O'Donoghue
Mary Coleman
Dan Coleman

12:30 pm Con O'Connell
Denis O' Mahony
Christine O'Mahony
Tom Murray
Maura Lombard

5:30 pm Patsy Galvin
Margaret Murphy
Phil O'Donnell

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Autumn Dues

Envelopes are now being distributed to each household. Please return it by placing it in the Basket at Mass. Spare envelopes are available from the back of the Church.

A faithful friend is a sure shelter, whoever finds one has found a rare treasure.



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