

THE BALLINCOLLIG PARISHIONER

Sunday 04-April-2004



St. Mary & St. John
Station Road

Palm
Sunday

Jesus was tortured and humiliated by the pride and self-will of people. He accepted this fate so as to overcome human destructiveness. His humble attentiveness to God allows God's power to be active and recreative.



Christ Our Light
Innishmore

Holy Week

Holy Week is the central week in the Church's year. This week recalls and re-enacts the highpoint of God's love and Jesus revealing Him to us. The most important part of Holy Week for me is when Christ stoops to wash the feet of his friends. The washing of the feet had an unsuspected depth of meaning. When inspired by love, the least service rendered to one's neighbour takes on an extraordinary dimension; it foreshadows that total sacrifice for which everyone should be prepared.

To be truly Christian is a constant effort to become like Jesus. The call to follow Christ is a call also to conversion; Holy Week is an important time to gather and remind ourselves of God's abundant mercy and forgiveness to us. Palm Sunday is the time when we copy the Jews at palm waving and welcoming but sometimes our welcome for Christ can be merely at surface level. I invite you then to gather on Monday 5th to experience the Lord's love and forgiveness.

Many other central events to our faith are recalled and celebrated during Holy Week i.e. The institution of the Eucharist; Passion and Death of Jesus and his Resurrection on the third day. The institution of the Eucharist is Christ's legacy to us; the reception of the Eucharist is a constant reminder to us that we are the body of Christ and that we are continually called to greater unity and closeness to one another and to Christ. The Eucharist is also a source of nourishment for our spiritual life as well as being a focus of prayer and reflection.

During Good Friday and Holy Saturday the Church is in mourning as we wait at the tomb. During these two days Mass is not celebrated; children are not baptised as we try to accompany Christ on His journey to Calvary and wait at the tomb as we answer His request "could you not watch one hour with me". I invite you then to come, watch and pray with one another and with the Lord. Copies of the time table for Holy Week are being distributed this week, I hope you will find it helpful.

I hope you will be able to join us this year to recall and celebrate Holy Week in our lead in to Easter and the Resurrection.

Happy Easter to everybody.

George O'Mahony

Reflection for Parents

Simon is not one of the most notable figures in the story of Jesus' Passion, but perhaps he is the one with whom parents can most identify. Whether we'd rather do something else, are too tired, or just want a break from time to time, we know how Simon felt being pressed into service at a time when he would rather not. But Simon was a responsible citizen, just as we are responsible parents. And, whatever our mood or preferences, we do what we must do. In the end, our hearts are glad, just as Simon knew there was something special about his action. As parents and disciples of Jesus, we are called to follow Jesus in service, even when it is difficult.

PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL

Priest

Let us present our needs and our prayer to the God who saves us.

Reader

For those who suffer persecution today because of their faith.

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

For all who suffer from sickness or pain.

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

For all those employed in our Justice Systems, in courts of justice, in prisons, and in policing, that they may be wise and compassionate.

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

For those accused or condemned unjustly.

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

For all who take up the cross as followers of Christ.

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

For our dead, especially all those mentioned in our Mass today.

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

Priest

God of our salvation, we make all our prayers to you with confidence, through Jesus, your Son, who is Lord forever.

Amen.

My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?

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BAPTISMS

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

Ben Liam McGuirk, 9 The Green, Coolroe Meadows.
Killian Michael Browne, The Lawn, Coolroe Meadows.
Caitlyn Marie Murphy, 3 Glincool Villas, Ballincollig.

† **IN SYMPATHY** †
PLEASE PRAY FOR THE FAMILY AND FRIENDS OF THE RECENTLY DECEASED :

Nancy Hogan, The Crescent.
Maeve Murphy, Malahide, Dublin.
Margaret Devaney, Westgate.

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

Kathleen Duncan, Omagh.
Billy Dwane, Douglas.
Christopher & Nora Twomey, Greenmount.
Crissy Twomey, Main Street.
Kathleen Barrett, Beech Park.
John O'Mahony, Carriganarra.
Ellen O'Sullivan, Inniscarra.
Eugene O'Sullivan, 41 Leesdale Grove.
Eily Murphy, Church View.
Stephen & Rose Spitere, Prosperity Square.
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Patrick Kirstein, Inniscarra View Est.
James, Nora & Eileen Mahony, Rathmore.
Eugene & Kitty O'Callaghan.
Vincent McLoughlan, Sligo.
Justin & Lucy McCarthy, Turners Cross.
Paddy Keohane, Inniscarra.
Mary Cahill, Friar's Road.
Hughie & Tim O'Leary, Fairhill.
Cecilia Hurley, Fairhill.
Lena Dennehy, Castleview.

Chrism Mass

The Chrism Mass will be held in the Cathedral of St. Mary and St. Anne on Thursday 6th April at 10.00 am. During this Mass the oils used in the Sacraments of the Sick, Baptism and Holy Orders are blessed. The friends of the Diocese also renew their Ordination promises.

All are welcome.

Mass Book - Christ Our Light

Masses for April, May and June
Still available

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Friday 16th April 2004
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St. Mary & St. John

Holy Thursday 6.00 pm Sheila Walsh, Frances O'Brien
Sheila Carroll, Ellen O'Sullivan
Peter Reilly, Jim Walsh

Holy Thursday 8.00 pm Betty Casey, Irene O'Brien
Katie O'Shea, Louie O'Leary
Chris Cotter, Vera Allen

Good Friday 8.00 pm Mary O'Regan, Chris Walsh
Mary McLean, Christy Roche
John Walsh, John O'Donovan

Holy Saturday 6.00 pm Patsie Murphy, Breda Foley
Mary Walsh, Sr. M Carmody
Geraldine Hegarty, Betty Sheehan

Holy Saturday 9.00 pm Steve Wills, Anne Cahill
Mary Collins, Seamus O'Shea
Frank Riordan, Siobhan Riordan

Christ Our Light

Holy Thursday 6.30 pm Bernie O'Driscoll, Terry O'Driscoll
Maura O'Driscoll, Mary O'Connell

Good Friday 6:30 pm Mary Twomey, Mary Green
Michael O'Leary, Lelia O'Brien

Holy Saturday 8:00 pm Jim Cahill, Kit Cahill
Sheila O'Connor, Seamus O'Connell

MINISTERS OF THE WORD

St. Mary & St. John

Holy Thursday 6.00 pm Marian Daly
8.00 pm Dave Murphy, Declan Chalmers

Good Friday 8:00 pm Margot Twomey, Karen Sheehan

Holy Saturday 6:00 pm Aine Sheehan
9.00 pm Sandra Walsh, Muireann Nelligan

Christ Our Light

Holy Thursday 6.30 pm Fiona Feely

Good Friday 6:30 pm Dick Beamish, Joseph Manning

Holy Saturday 8:00 pm Jacinta Jeffers, Joy O'Driscoll

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THE SUNDAY READINGS

Processional Gospel: Luke 19:28-40
 A line of poetry sums up the paradox of the events proclaimed today, "They stripped the trees to greet her son, and then hung him, stripped upon a tree." This first gospel tells of Jesus' triumphal entrance into the city of Jerusalem. Only he knew of his fate that we study in the reading of the Passion today.

First Reading: Isaiah 50:4-7
 While reading this passage, realize that God has blessed you in a special way. However, this special blessing will also bring some pain. Endurance of this pain requires that we remain faithful. Recall a time that you remained loyal despite misunderstanding and abuse.

Second Reading: Philippians 2:6-11
 Paul proclaims to the Philippians that through Christ's dying and rising comes victory for us all. Jesus is Lord.

Gospel: Luke 22:14-23:56.
 This year we hear Luke's account of Jesus' Passion beginning with the Last Supper which for Luke, shows signs of the heavenly banquet. During the meal, Jesus predicted but did not name his betrayer. Following the meal, all the disciples went with Jesus to the Mount of Olives to pray. There Jesus was, indeed, handed over by Judas to the Jewish leaders. In retaliation, a disciple cut off a servant's ear, but Jesus touched the ear and healed him. Jesus went before the high priest in whose courtyard Peter denied Jesus the three times predicted at supper. At daybreak, Jesus went before the Sanhedrin and on to Pilate, to Herod, and back to Pilate who tried to release Jesus to the crowds. Pilate did not find Jesus guilty of anything, but the crowd pressed for the release of Barabbas and the crucifixion of Jesus. Jesus was led to the cross, helped by Simon, mourned by the women of Jerusalem, and taunted by the Roman soldiers. When at last Jesus died, a man named Joseph gave up his tomb so that Jesus would not be buried in a common grave of criminals.

The Reconciliation services will take place in Christ Our Light church on Monday April 5th at 6.30 p.m. and in St. Mary and St. John's church at 8 pm I invite you to come along and prepare for Easter by turning to the Lord for the grace of conversion



Volunteers Needed for Simon Shop

Would you be willing to give up some time each week to work in the Cork Simon Community Shop? The Simon Shop on North Main Street is extending its opening hours and urgently requires more volunteers. The Simon Shop is a very important part of the Cork Simon Community, providing clothes for homeless people and also raising funds to help provide services for homeless people. If you are interested in helping out please contact Mairéad on 021 4321166 or email fundraising@corksioncommunity.ie

Understanding the Bible this Lent

Bible study under the title "**Come and See**" concludes next Tuesday April 6th in the Community Centre Library with The Seder Meal or Passover celebration.
 All are welcome
 Fr. George.

**Society of St. Vincent de Paul
 Monthly Collection**

This Weekend
 3rd & 4th April 2004
 Please Support

Good Friday Collection

This collection is for the upkeep of Holy Places in the Holy Land. For those using the envelopes, there is a spare one in the box. Otherwise you can add to the basket.

Flowers For The Altar Of Repose

Donations of flowers for altars of repose at St. Mary & St. John's and Christ Our Light gratefully received in the sacristies of both church's before Holy Thursday.

Easter Collection For Priests Of The Parish

According to the Diocesan custom, the collection at Easter Sunday Masses is one of the two occasions during the year when the offertory collection goes to the priests of the Parish.

Knock

Legion of Mary Annual Pilgrimage to Knock
 On Sunday 30th May 2004
 Phone Sally 4870954
 Marie 4872464

Cystic Fibrosis

Dance
 On Saturday 3rd April 2004
 At
 Éire Óg GAA Club, Ovens
 Music By
 Mike Fitzgerald, Southern Pride & Johnny Donegan
 Dancing 10.00 pm – 1.00 am
 Tickets €8.00

Fatima Apostolate Group

The monthly meeting of the Apostolate will be held on Monday 5th April 2004 at 7 pm in the Youth House, Station Road.
 Present members and new members are all welcome to attend

Al-Anon

Open Public Meeting Dominican Centre, Popes Quay
 Wednesday 7th April 8.00 pm – 9.30 pm
 All Welcome!

HOLY WEEK READINGS

4 Sunday Palm Sunday Of The Lord's Passion
 Red Hours Psalter Week 2
 Mass Proper. No Gloria. Creed. Preface: Proper, No. 19

No other celebrations, even funeral Masses, are permitted today.
 READINGS Procession Lk 19:28-40. Lect I: 345
Mass Is. 50:4-7. Ps 21. Phil. 2:6- 11. Lk 22:14-23:56. Lect I: 346.

5 Monday In Holy Week
 Violet Hours Psalter Week 2.
 Mass Proper. Preface: Passion II, No. 18

No other celebrations, even funeral Masses, are permitted today
READINGS Is. 42:1-7. Ps. 26. Jn. 12:1-11 Lect I:374

Our attention is now focused on the great mystery of Christ, dying and rising. The sense of impending doom hovers over the actions of Jesus. Like a lamb led to the slaughter Christ does not cry out or shout aloud. Mary's anointing becomes one in the context of preparation of the body for burial after death. All things are being readied for the final hour. The chrism is prepared for blessing by the Bishop this week: it will be used to sign new Christians with the cross, to seal them for Christ. This sweet-smelling oil will remind them that they are as St Paul says to be the "aroma of Christ" spreading a fragrance wherever they go. (2 Cor 2:14-15.)

6 Tuesday In Holy Week
 Violet Hours Psalter Week 2
 Mass Proper. Preface: Passion II, No. 18

No other celebrations, even funeral Masses, are permitted today.
READINGS Is. 49: 1-6. Ps. 70. Jn. 13:21-33,36-38. Lect I: 376

The words of Isaiah speak beautifully of our vocation in Christ. Chosen before birth, given great gifts of body and mind, called to be servant of the Most High, and destined to be a light of the nations so that Christ's salvation may be brought to the ends of the earth. Such is our destiny. And yet, we can fail. We can reject this calling, give way to weakness. Both Judas and Peter in their weakness are put before us today, one to betray, the other to deny. So close to Jesus and yet capable of losing him.

7 Wednesday In Holy Week
 Violet Hours Psalter Week 2
 Mass Proper. Preface: Passion II, No. 18

No other celebrations, even funeral Masses, are permitted today.
READINGS Is. 50:4-9. Ps. 68. Mt. 26:14-25. Lect I:379

Spy Wednesday we call it, for Judas has left his mark on our calendars. The pain of his betrayal is to be felt in the account of St Matthew's gospel. And thirty pieces of silver goes into language currency ever since. At the end of this Lent that has seen us trying to purify ourselves of all that is not Christian, these thirty pieces of silver comes before us as a warning.

8 Thursday HOLY THURSDAY
 Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper
 White Mass Proper. Gloria. Preface of the Eucharist I, No. 47
 In the Roman Canon proper forms are used.

READINGS: Ex. 12:1-8,11-14. Ps. 115.1 Cor. 11:23-26. Jn. 13:1-15.

The scripture readings this evening direct our minds at the opening of the great Paschal celebration to the meaning of what we celebrate. We are entering into this mystery in such a way that when we break bread and share the cup this evening we once more proclaim the death of the Lord.

9 Friday GOOD FRIDAY
Celebration of the Lord's Passion
Day of Fast and Abstinence
 Red LITURGY OF THE HOURS. Proper Offices.

The Office of Readings and Morning Prayer should, if possible, be celebrated publicly and with the participation of the people.

CELEBRATION OF THE LORD'S PASSION.

This celebration takes place in the afternoon, about three o'clock, unless pastoral reasons suggest a later hour. The celebration consists of three parts: liturgy of the word, veneration of the cross, and Holy Communion.

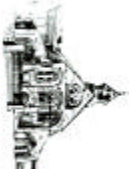
READINGS:
Is. 52: 13-53: 12. This servant song, applied to Christ, gives a horrifying account of his sufferings, and the cause of them -our sins.
Ps. 30. A lament for the sufferings of the just one, and an expression of trust in God who is faithful.
Heb. 4: 14-16, 5:7-9. Christ embraced our human state, and lived through our hardships. Because he was a man without sin God heard him, and all the human race as well on his behalf.

Jn. 18: 1-19:42. St John's account of the Passion is more reflective and theological. He emphasizes Jesus' obedience to the Father's will. The kingship of Jesus is asserted: the crucifixion is a victory; the hour of death is also the hour of triumph. "Christ gives his life, he is 'lifted up' on the cross, but willingly, and only in order to enter into his glory, a glory that is made visible even in this world to the confusion of unbelievers and ending in the defeat of Satan once and for all." (New Jerusalem Bible, p.1739)

After the proclamation of the Passion, a homily should be given, at the end of which the faithful may be invited to spend a short time in meditation.

10 Saturday HOLY SATURDAY
 Violet LITURGY OF THE HOURS Proper.

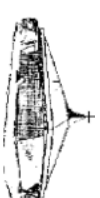
It is highly recommended that on this day the Office of READINGS and MORNING PRAYER be celebrated with the participation of the people. Where this cannot be done, there should be some celebration of the Word of God, or some act of devotion suited to the mystery celebrated on this day.



Ballincollig Parish

Holy Week Ceremonies

04-April 2004 to 10-April-2004



St. Mary & St. John		Day	Christ Our Light	
Event	Time		Event	Time
Normal Masses	8:30am, 10am 12 noon	Sunday	Normal Masses	11am, 12:30pm & 5:30pm
Morning Mass	9:30am	Monday	Morning Mass	8:30am
Reconciliation Service	8:00pm		Reconciliation Service	6:30pm
Normal Masses	9:30am & 8pm	Tuesday	Normal Masses	8:30am & 6:30pm
Normal Masses	9:30am & 8pm	Wednesday	Normal Masses	8:30am & 6:30pm
No Morning Mass		Holy Thursday	No Morning Mass	
Evening Mass	6:00 pm		Mass of the Last Supper followed by Adoration & Holy Hour	6:30pm
Mass of the Last Supper followed by Adoration & Holy Hour	8:00 pm		Confessions	After 6:30pm Mass
Confessions	12.00 to 1.00 pm			
Confessions	7.00 to 8.00 pm			
Stations of the Cross	12.00 & 3.00 pm	Good Friday	Stations of the Cross	12.00 (for children) & 3pm
Celebration of the Lord's Passion	8:00 pm		Celebration of the Lord's Passion	6:30pm
Confessions	AFTER ALL CEREMONIES		Confessions	AFTER ALL CEREMONIES
No Morning Mass		Holy Saturday	No Morning Mass	
Confessions	11.30 am		Confessions	11.30am
Evening Mass	6:00 pm		Easter Ceremonies & Childrens Mass	8pm
Easter Ceremonies & Mass	9:00 pm			

MINISTERS OF THE WORD

Apr-11-2004

St. Mary & St. John

Christ Our Light

8:30 am
Triona Collins
10:00 am
Marian Daly
12:00 Noon
Miriam Maunsell

11:00 am
Maura McNamara,
Liam Hayes
12:30 pm
Kay Carew, Marlyn
O'Connor
5:30 pm
Michelle Beamish,
Christine O'Brien

MASS TIMES

St. Mary & St. John

Christ Our Light

8:30 am, 10 am & 12 noon

Sunday

11 am, 12:30 pm & 5:30 pm

9:30 am & 8 pm

Monday

8:30 am & 6:30 pm

9:30 am & 8 pm

Tuesday

8:30 am & 6:30 pm

9:30 am & 8 pm

Wednesday

8:30 am & 6:30 pm

6 pm & 8 pm

Thursday

6:30 pm

8 pm

Friday

6:30 pm

6 pm & 9 pm

Saturday

8 pm

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

Apr-11-2004

St. Mary & St. John

Christ Our Light

8:30 am Theresa Lucey
Rita Murphy

11:00 am Brid Healy-Harris
Angela Cunningham
Laurence Cunningham
Nell Cantillon Murphy

10:00 am Tadgh Murphy
Mary Murphy
Joan Tobin
Tony O'Leary

12:30 pm Anne O'Connell
Eileen Garvey
Sally Power
Breda Callanan
Marie O'Brien

12 Noon Michael Crowley
Breda Lenihan
Noel Hennessey
Marie O'Callaghan
Rena O'Connor
Angela Roche

5:30 pm Neil O'Donoghue
Patrica O'Donoghue
Statia O'Callaghan,
Lucy O'Callaghan

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