

THE BALLINCOLLIG PARISHIONER



St. Mary & St. John
Station Road

Sunday 12-June-2005

Eleventh Sunday In Ordinary Time

The love of God is absolute protection for us, if we keep his commandments. His sacrifice of himself ensures our redemption if "we obey his voice and hold fast to his covenant."



Christ Our Light
Innishmore

Our World Today

This Saturday June 11th the parish council members will meet for five hours in the Community Hall. The members of the council generously give their time and talents to serve the Christian community in the parish of Ballincollig. This parish has been enriched for more than ten years by the vision and commitment of successive Parish Councils. In many ways the members of the Parish Council help us all "to follow Christ and live according to his will." The Gospel passage this weekend from St Matthew urges us in the words of Christ, "Do not turn your steps to pagan territory, and do not enter any Samaritan town; go rather to the lost sheep of the House of Israel. And as you go, proclaim that the kingdom of heaven is close at hand. Cure the sick, raise the dead, cleanse the lepers, cast out devils. You received without charge, give without charge. Proclaim the kingdom of God is close at hand." In our world today, our parish has many kingdoms I believe that our calling is to bring the kingdom of God to all situations as a leaven; as a mirror to reflect the closeness of God.

Throughout the world there is a debate going on as to a vision for the future of the Church. The collapse of vocations to the religious life and the virtual collapse of the Catholic system across most of Europe is causing many to reflect on the future of the Church. Some see the small remnant communities of the present Church throughout most of Europe as a parallel with the situation of the early Church. As at the beginning of the church, the small Christian communities are called to offer a horizon of kindly light, simply by being different. By expressing openness for the many wounded people around us, in refusing corruption, in educating our children towards a deep and joyful faith in Jesus in the perspective of the resurrection.

St. Matthew also tells us that when Jesus was addressing the crowd, He felt they were harassed and dejected – "like sheep without a shepherd" – Jesus tells the crowd the harvest is rich but the labourers are few. He follows up by saying "ask the Lord of the harvest to send labourers to his harvest."

Not everyone can be directly involved in the work of salvation, but everyone has a part to play in the overall plan.

I don't think that at this time the Christian community is a minority remnant; but one action that is required is evangelisation and that the current culture represents fertile ground for this. Perhaps we would keep one another in our thoughts and prayers.

George O'Mahony

Reflection for Parents

No matter how large the world we call our own, no part of our contact is as important as our children. Not only are we called to share the message of hope with them, but they see by our actions how we live the Good News in the world with which we come in contact.

PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL

Priest

Brothers and sisters, let us confidently present our prayers to our loving God.

Reader

For the Church throughout the world, that it may be a sign of the goodness and compassion of God in our world.

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

For those who feel excluded or voiceless in our society, that they may experience the kindness of their Christian neighbours.

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

For all who exercise a leadership role in the Church, that they may be guided by the Spirit of God, and be supported and encouraged by those they serve.

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

For all who are discerning their vocation in life at this time, that they may be helped to follow the path that is best for each.

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

For all those doing examinations at this time, that they may be guided by the Holy Spirit and enabled to give of their best.

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

For all who have died, that they may enter into the home prepared for them. We remember all whose anniversaries occur at this time

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

Priest

Most loving God, strength of all who trust in you, we bring our prayers in confidence, and in the name of your Son, Jesus Christ, Our Lord.

Amen.

In your great love, answer me, O God.

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BAPTISMS

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

King Eoin Rirchad Obulor, 34, The Green, Coolroe Meadows.
 Arran Patrick Healy, 18, Island Way, Muskerry Estate.
 Alexander James Mullen, 27, Willowgrove, Coolroe Heights.
 Benjamin Thomas Power Heinen, 64, An Caislean,
 Alisha Tia Munir, 58, Castle Avenue, Muskerry Estate.
 Rachel Lisa Culhane Kidney, 53, Castle Park.
 Grainne Margaret O'Mahony, 62, Fernwalk, Greenfield.

† **IN SYMPATHY** †

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

Betty McSweeney, Greystones.
 Elizabeth O'Connell, Kanturk.
 Brendan Healy, Crookstown.
 Breda O'Donovan, Dunmanway.

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

John Mulcarthy, Cobh.
 Dec. Mems Mulcarthy Families, Cobh.
 Bessie, Gerard Higgins, Pouladuff.
 Michael & Ann O'Farrell, "Tonyville", High St.
 George & May Osborne, Blarney.
 Noreen McCarthy, Castlepark.
 Denis Horgan, St. Teresa's Road.
 Kevin O'Cruialaoi, Maglin.
 Pearl Collins, Dunmanaway.
 Shiela Dineen, Curraheen Cross, Ballinora.
 Patrick & Julia Lehane, Rahoona, Ballyourney.
 Madge & John Horgan, Macroom.
 Nancy & Pat Manning, Farranree.
 Dan Dorgan, Powdermills.
 Patrick McGrath, Glasheen Road.
 Teddy Roche, Sweetbriar Lane.
 Michael & Noreen O'Connor, College Road.
 Tom Moloney, Mallow.
 Dan Lucey, The Crescent.
 Jack McCarthy, Dripsey.
 Conor Ronan, Oakley.
 Paddy O'Reilly.
 Frederick Strahan, Dublin.
 Noel O'Shea, Ballinora.
 Paddy O'Kelly, Tramore Lawn, Douglas.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Eleventhth Week In Ordinary Time

12 Sunday Ex. 19:2-6. Ps. 99. Rom. 5:6-11. Mt. 9:36-10:8. Lect I: 666
 13 Monday 2 Cor. 6:1-10. Ps. 97. Mt. 5:38-42. Lect II: 136
 14 Tuesday 2 Cor. 8:1-9. Ps. 145. Mt. 5:43-48. Lect II: 138
 15 Wednesday 2 Cor. 9:6-11. Ps. 111. Mt. 6:1-6, 16-18. Lect II: 140
 16 Thursday 2 Cor. 11:1-11. Ps. 110. Mt. 6:7-15. Lect II: 142
 17 Friday 2 Cor. 11:18, 21-30. Ps. 33. Mt. 6:19-23. Lect II: 144
 18 Saturday 2 Cor. 12:1-10. Ps. 33. Mt. 6:24-34. Lect II: 146

Next Sunday's Readings 19-June-2005

Jer. 20:10-13. Ps. 68. Rom. 5:12-15. Mt. 10:26-33. Lect I: 668



The Irish Blood Transfusion Service Will Hold
 A Blood Donor Clinic In

The GAA Pavilion Ballincollig

On

Monday 13th June 2005
 Tuesday 14th June 2005
 Wednesday 15th June 2005
 Thursday 16th June 2005

From 3:00 – 5:00 & 7:00 – 9:00 pm

Graveyard

Many graves in the graveyard adjacent to St Mary and St John's church are in need of attention. Families might be good enough to take care of their graves during the coming week. Fr. George

A Student's Prayer at Exam Time

You know Lord, no matter how often exams come along, it's always the same. I've been through all this before: the late nights, the cramming, the funny feeling in the pit of my stomach; and there always seems to be so much still left to do. You would think I might be getting used to it now. I'm not asking you to make up for what I have not done Lord. What I am asking is a restful night's sleep and freedom from useless worrying. Help me to have confidence in what I have done, and to get it down during the exam in some kind of order. And while I think of it Lord, take care of all the others too! Amen.

Mass Book

The Mass diary in both churches is now open to book
 Mass intentions for the Months of July, August
 and September 2005

Diabetes Federation of Ireland

Golf Classic Takes place at Mahon Golf Course
 Friday June 25th from 11:20 am to 5 pm.
 Teams of 3 persons @ €300 including meal
 Sponsor a tee box / green @ €100 or both @ €150
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 Diabetes Federation @ 021 427 4229/ sro@diabetes.ie

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THE SUNDAY READINGS

First Reading: Exodus 19:2-6A
 God said to Moses, "Tell the Israelites: You have seen for yourselves how I treated the Egyptians and how I bore you up on eagles wings. . . Therefore, if you hearken to my voice and keep my covenant, you shall be my special possession, dearer to me than all other people, though all the earth is mine. You shall be to me a kingdom of priests, a holy nation."

Second Reading: Romans 5:6-11
 While we were sinners, Christ died for us. Now we are justified by his blood and saved by his life.

Gospel: Matthew 9:36-10:8
 Jesus called the twelve disciples and sent them as missionaries to continue the work God began in him. The disciples were to go out to the people and proclaim the Good News of the coming Kingdom.



SAINT OF THE WEEK

St. Anthony of Padua 13-June-2005

Men closed their shops and offices to go to the sermons of Saint Anthony; women rose early or remained overnight in church to secure their places. Often the churches could not hold the congregations and Anthony preached to them in the squares and markets-places. The custom of invoking Anthony to find lost articles may have arisen from this incident: a novice ran away, carrying off a valuable Psalter Anthony was using. Anthony prayed for its recovery and the novice was compelled by an alarming apparition to come back and return the Psalter.

Parish Office

Secretary available Mon - Wed from 9 am - 12 noon to deal with parishioner queries and also to arrange time for completion of Marriage papers and issue of Baptism and Confirmation certificates. The office is also staffed on Saturday mornings from 10:30 am, until 12 noon. The office located is in the parochial house phone 4871206

Special Collection

Ballincollig Parishioner & Mass Missalette
 An **EXIT COLLECTION** will be taken up after all Masses next weekend 18th & 19th June 2005. Your Contribution will help towards the purchasing of the Mass Missalette and the printing costs of The Parishioner.

Yoga

Beginners Hatha Yoga Classes at the Feelgood Centre Exchange House, Main St., Ballincollig
 Starting Monday 13th of June
 10 – 11:15 am €70 for a 6 week course
 Contact: Louise 086-8608730

FÁS eCollege

FÁS has established an Internet based training service called eCollege, which offers a range of flexible learning opportunities. It can be accessed at www.fas.ie (and select the eCollege option). It is available to everybody and offers over 100 courses that can be taken online in the following categories: - Business, Office Applications, Web Design/Programming, Technical Support, Soft Skills/ Personal Development and Health & Safety. Most courses are certified; the cost is modest; payment can be made online.

Knock

Franciscan Pilgrimage to Knock on Sunday June 26th. Departs Liberty St. at 7:45 am. Tickets €16 available at St. Francis Friary, Mass Office, Liberty Street.

Cork International Folk Dance Club

Will be dancing all through the summer!
 Music and dance from all over the world
 Tuesdays 8-10 pm €4 nightly
 Carrigrohane Parish Hall
 (down the hill from St. Peter's Church)
 Men and women of all ages and fitness levels are very welcome.
 Free Admission on the first night if you'd like to come and try it out (for more info phone Larry 4886541 or Patsy 4872550)

Step Ahead Summer Scheme 2005

Reading ~ Phonics ~ Spelling ~ Writing ~ Maths
 ♦ Learning Support scheme for children with ADHD, Dyslexia, Dyspraxia and other Learning Difficulties.
 ♦ An individual programme for children who just need a boost in time for the new school year
 Free Assessments now Available to outline your child's strengths and weaknesses.

**Safe Swimming This Summer
 Safety Steps to Observe.**

- ♦ Don't swim alone.
- ♦ Don't swim just after eating.
- ♦ Don't swim when you're hot or tired.
- ♦ Don't swim in strange places.
- ♦ Don't swim out after anything drifting.
- ♦ Don't stay in the water too long.
- ♦ Don't swim out to sea.
- ♦ Swim parallel and close to the shore.
- ♦ Do what the lifeguard tells you.
- ♦ Never use inflatable toys.
- ♦ Pay attention to signs on the beach.
- ♦ Don't be a bully.
- ♦ Learn to use equipment before trying it out.
- ♦ Learn Basic Life Support.

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Ballincollig Parish Pastoral Council

The next meeting of the council will be held in the Annex Room, Community Centre on Monday June 20th at 7.45 pm

MINISTERS OF THE WORD

Jun-18 & Jun-19-2005

St. Mary & St. John

Christ Our Light

6:00 pm (Vigil)
Derval Spillane
8:30 am
Triona Collins
10:00 am
Tony Hegarty
12:00 Noon
Miriam Maunsell

8:00 pm (Vigil)
Jacinta Jeffers
11:00 am
Liam Hayes
12:30 pm
Marlyn O'Connor
5:30 pm
Phil O'Connell

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	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

Jun-18 & Jun-19-2005



St. Mary & St. John

Christ Our Light

6.00 pm	Steve Wills Margaret O'Sullivan Rita Aherne Rose Doyle Jim Walsh Frances O'Brien	8:00 pm	Anne O'Regan Mairead Healy Murphy Finbarr Murray
8:30 am	Mary Buckley Rita Murphy	11:00 am	Seamus O'Connell Mary O'Connell Alan O'Riordan Geraldine Keohane
10:00 am	Christina Walsh Peter Reilly Mary Collins Christy Roche Katie O'Shea	12:30 pm	Lucy O'Callaghan Jackie Sheehan Mary Green Michael O'Leary
12 Noon	Oliver O'Donovan Barbara Kelly John Jeffers Mary McLean Ellen Seymour Nora Hennessy	5:30 pm	Noelle Buckley Mary Breen Siobhan Burke

PARISH CLERGY

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Fr. George O'Mahony P.P. 021-4871206
Fr. Michael O'Mahony C.C. 021-4877161
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