

THE BALLINCOLLIG PARISHIONER



**St. Mary & St. John
Station Road**

Sunday 10-September-2006

Twenty Third Sunday In Ordinary Time

Illness and deformity can make us afraid for ourselves, fearful about the meaning of life. With the coming of Christ on earth there came the presence and power of God to begin the work of healing the world. This new creation is still being built up today in the lives of those who believe.



**Christ Our Light
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Getting to Know You!

On June 9th 1984, 22 years ago, I drove from my family home near Clonakilty, to the Church of Christ Our Light in Ballincollig for an ordination ceremony. My ordination!

Ever since, Christ Our Light has been a place of special memories for me. The last time I visited was for my godson Marc's, 1st communion. (We will now be neighbours in Westcourt!) My previous visits to the Church of St Mary and St John, have been for occasional funerals, and also for the baptism of my friends baby, Cormac.

Now I am in Ballincollig to serve as your priest. Since my arrival I have been greatly encouraged by the warmth of the welcome with which you have greeted me. Thank you! I am impressed too, with the large numbers attending church and the level of involvement of people in parish life.

I come with a little trepidation, as it's my first appointment to full-time parish ministry. Following ordination I volunteered for the Peru mission where I spent 4 fulfilling and adventurous years. On return I became a school chaplain, something I have worked at for 14 years, with a hectic 4 year stint as a Healthcare Chaplain at Cork University Hospital, between school appointments. I come to you, from Glanmire Community College where I had the privilege of serving for the past 8 years. At weekends I assisted in the parish of Glanmire. And as if that wasn't enough, I also lectured for Mater Dei Institute, delivering an outreach M.A. programme, as well as regularly presenting at school in-service courses, on Critical Incident Management. (That schedule was just TOO busy!)

As I take on the challenge of parish ministry, I look forward getting to know you, as I negotiate my way around the local estates and town-lands. My vision of church is for an inclusive, open and caring community where nobody feels excluded by reason of race, status or orientation. I value good quality liturgies that relate to life, with maximum participation from all involved. So take this is an invitation for a volunteering opportunity of you are not already involved in the life of the parish! I believe in devoting time to preparing my homilies, so I hope that what I say will resonate with some aspect of your lives and make a connection with the gospel.

I am generally good humoured, easy going and informal, so I trust that you will find me approachable. And when not working, I have a passion for cars, art, computers and the beach!

Sean O'Driscoll

Thought for Today

In healing the deaf man, Jesus looks up (to his Father) and sighs (the Spirit is God's Breath) and says 'Be opened'. The Blessed Trinity is present in the opening of eyes and ears. It is a sign of the New Creation. In the First Reading, not only are people healed but creation is restored – the deserts are made new (First Reading).

PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL

Priest

Lord, we come with our prayers and thanksgivings. Open our eyes and ears to see and hear your presence in our wonderful world.

Reader

We pray for Pope Benedict and Bishop John. Give them courage and hope in their task of leadership.

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

We live in a world full of fear. May your presence give us courage.

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

In the waters of Baptism, we were welcomed into the life of Christ. May that life continue to give us hope and an awareness of your presence.

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

We thank you Lord for the gift of hearing and speech. Help us to use these gifts to show respect and regard for one another.

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

We pray for the sick, especially the seriously ill and those with long term illnesses. May they know the Lord's peace and healing.

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

We pray for our dead.

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

Priest

Lord, we long for you to comfort us and to guide us. May your light lead us to the Light of Life.

Amen.

My soul, give praise to the Lord

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BAPTISMS

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

Full list of all Summer Baptisms in next week's publication.

† **IN SYMPATHY** †

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

Joe Donovan, R.I.P. Beech Road. Mourned by his mother Frances, Beech Road. Thomas Murphy, R.I.P. Clash, Ballincollig. Mourned by his wife Joan. Bride Barry, R.I.P. Farranfore. Mourned by his daughter Mary Barry, Westcliffe. Kitty Cotter, R.I.P. Thurles. Mourned by his daughter Ann Walsh, Glincool Lawn. Catherine O'Riordan, R.I.P. Kilnamartyra. Mourned by her daughter Ms. O'Donoghue, Aylsbury. Patrick Collins, R.I.P. Currahaly, Farran. Colin Hedderman, R.I.P. Beech Park. Mourned by his parents Sheila & Pascal Marjorie O'Brien, R.I.P. Rosewood. Mourned by her family John O'Driscoll, R.I.P. Carrigdena. Mourned by his son Tony O'Driscoll, England. Chrissie O'Mahony, R.I.P. Mallow. Mourned by her niece Francis Hogan, Ashling Close. Eileen Dineen, R.I.P. Curraheen. Mourned by her niece Kathleen Manning, Leeview. Anthony Murphy, R.I.P. Aylsbury Ave. Mourned by his parents. Ivan McLaughlin, R.I.P. Blarney St. Mourned by his sister Frances Daly, Church View, Muskerry Estate. Christine O'Donoghue, R.I.P. North Mall. Mourned by her daughter Patricia Cotter, Parknamore. Margaret Mary O'Donoghue, R.I.P. Baltimore. Mourned by her daughter Frances O'Leary, Model Farm Road. Nancy Buttimer, R.I.P. Macroom. Mourned by her son William Buttimer, Chestnut Grove. Dr. Norma Murphy, R.I.P. Greenfields. Mourned by her daughter Mary Spitere, Greenfields. Michael Punch, R.I.P. Glincool Park. Mourned by his daughter Marie, Beech Park. Tanya Bell, R.I.P. Dublin. Mourned by her uncle and aunt Shay & Geraldine Graham. Tom Walsh, R.I.P. Maglin. Mourned by his son Pat Walsh, Kilnaglory. Patrick O'Sullivan, R.I.P. Rylane & Inniscarra. Mourned by his family, Elizabeth Osbourne, Inniscarra View. Kathleen Forde, R.I.P. Ballinora, Corbally. Mourned by her husband Gerry. Mary Clare Perry, R.I.P. Kent, England & The Lough. Mourned by her brother Dan Murphy, Bridgewater.

We especially remember those who have died this week:

Laura Slyne, R.I.P. Blackrock. Mourned by Phil Coughlan, Sunningdale. Peter O'Keeffe, R.I.P. Model Farm Road. Mourned by his father Reg O'Keeffe, Model Farm Road.

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

Bridie & Con O'Sullivan, Westcourt. Abiola Akingbade, Aylsbury. Denis Coakley, Westcourt. Joe Linehan, Inniscarra View. Nell Limehan, Rathmore. Sean O'Donovan, Church Rd., Carrigrohane. Rose, Paddy & daughter Rosemary Wall, Navan, Co. Meath. Denis & Ellen O'Leary, Noonan Road. John Doab, The Crescent. Michael Horn, New York. Gerry McCarthy, Raheen. Christy Sullivan, Coolroe Heights. James & Evelyn McSweeney, Cloghroe. Lawrance O'Flynn, Aherla. Mary & Donal O'Leary, Gillabbey St. Nan & Morris Flynn, Mullingar. Paddy & Mary Lucey, Inchigeela. Marie Daly, Maple Lawn, Muskerry Est. James O'Leary, Curraheen. Teresa Morton Inniscarra View.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Twenty Third Sunday In Ordinary Time

- 10 Sunday Is 35:4-7. Ps. 145. Jas 2:1-5. Mk 7:31-37. Lect I: 796
- 11 Monday 1 Cor 5:1-8. Ps 5. Lk6:6-11. Lect II: 751
- 12 Tuesday 1 Cor 6:1-11. Ps 149. Lk 6:12-19. Lect II: 753
- 13 Wednesday 1 Cor 7:25-31. Ps 44. Lk 6:20-26. Lect II: 755
- 14 Thursday Num 21:4-9. Ps 77. Phil 2:6-11. Jn 3:13-17. Lect I :996 or II:1186
- 15 Friday Heb 5:7-9. Ps 30. Jn 19:25-27 or Lk 2:33-35. Lect II: 1189
- 16 Saturday 1 Cor 10:14-22. Ps115. Lk6:43-49. Lect II: 761

Next Sunday's Readings 17-September-2006

Is 50:5-9. Ps 114. Jas 2:14-18. Mk 8:27-35. Lect I: 799

MARRIAGES

CONGRATULATIONS TO:

Adrian Gerard Ryan & Carmel Connelly, Old Court, Greenfields. Quentin Paul Buckley, Kilumney & Melissa Jane Ward, Castle Park. Gail McGinn & Gary Cheesman, An Caisléan. Barry Daniel Crowley & Jennifer Anne Cullinane, An Cuilleán, Greenfields. Graham Thomas Patrick O'Connell, Lee View & Jane Mary Connaughton, Rosewood. Diarmuid Paul Dempsey & Rose Marie Murphy, Old Court. Bryan Matthew Kavanagh, Ferry Bank and Ciara Margaret Fahy, Carriganarra. Timothy John Cunningham, Farran, & Bernadette Mayers, Inniscarra. Christian Heinen & Suzanna Maureen Power, An Caislean. John Leonard O'Callaghan, Dripsey & Lorraine Marie Stack, Beech Park. William Gerard Tuohy, Crookstown & Linda Ann King, Coolroe Meadows. James Dominic O'Donovan & Denise Theresa Hillgrove, Finley Park, Mallow. Paul Patrick Noonan & Minta Elizabeth Roche, Cloyne Meadows, Cloyne. John Christopher Kenny & Sarah Maud Twomey, Beech Road, Muskerry Estate. Timothy Edward Irwin, Innishmore Grove & Liselle Mary Kennedy, Beech Park. Rory Francis Walsh, Cherry Walk & Amelia Gertrude Renshaw, Castle Park. Cornelius Anthony Hogan Upper Leemount & Klarissa Jane Dresel, Whitethorn Avenue.

Saint Dominic's Retreat Centre

STRESS RELEASE - Spiritual Approach

Saturday 16th September 10.30am - 4.30pm

Presenter: Martina Lehane Sheehan

Donation €15 - Lunch extra

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THE SUNDAY READINGS

First Reading: Isaiah 35:4-7

If you knew that the world was coming to an end, you would be grateful for some advance notice. The first Scripture reading today gives you that notice: you must read the signs of the times.

Second Reading: James 2:1-5

God commands us to treat all people fairly, the poor as well as the rich. In your Church, there must be no favouritism.

Gospel: Mark 7:31-37

"I was dumbfounded" not too long ago this expression was used to describe a sense of shock on experiencing a tragedy or a human disaster i.e. tragic death; horrific car accident or living hell an individual or family is forced to endure daily. This weekend Mark's Gospel is an account of Jesus meeting a deaf man with a speech impediment; Jesus touched his tongue and said 'Eph-patha' that is 'be opened' Isaiah reads 'Courage! Do not be afraid. Look your God is coming, -- for water gushes in the desert.'

We remember today children and adults who live in a world with deafness; blindness or speech impairment. May the Lord bless the work of families and the skill of language specialists and carers who work tirelessly to open our world to so many?.

The Alzheimer Society of Ireland

Ladies (and Gentlemen). Why not join the "A"lzheimer Society Team and Run to Remember on behalf of the Society in the Cork Evening Echo Ladies Mini Marathon on Sunday 24th September, 2006. For Sponsorship Cards and T-Shirts Contact Ailsa on 021 4391690.

Cork City Women's Mini Marathon for Bóthar

Ladies! Bóthar is seeking your support on Sunday 24 September in the annual Mini Marathon for charity. This year all Bóthar proceeds will be used to provide a water supply to a village of 1,800 families in northern Tanzania from the source 4 km away. Walk, jog or run the 4 mile/6 km course. Enjoy a great day out with friends. Free information pack from the Cork Bóthar office:

021 487 8693 or see the website at www.bothar.org

Ballincollig Secular Franciscan Order

The monthly Mass and meeting will be held on Thursday 14th September at 11.00 am in St. Mary & St. John Church
Rosary will be recited at 10.40 am (Sharp)

Cork Simon Community

Are looking for Volunteers to help with Door to Door Collections. If you have a couple of hours to spare a week please contact Niamh @ 021-4377643 or email to niamh@corksmoncommunity.ie



THE ALZHEIMER SOCIETY of IRELAND

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CARERS SUPPORT MEETING

Monday 11th September, 2006 – 8.00 pm.
Venue: SMA Wilton
All are welcome

Welcome back to the Parishioner and to the team of people that produce and distribute the Parishioner throughout the year.

Welcome back also to families and individuals who were on holiday during the past few months. The pupils, teachers and staff of the schools in Ballincollig are also back at work; I wish them well for the coming year.

During the summer Bishop Buckley announced some clerical changes. I welcome Fr. Sean O'Driscoll to the parish of Ballincollig. Fr. Sean has taken up residence at 64, Westcourt and is busy getting to know Ballincollig and its people. I welcome Fr. Sean to the parish, I wish him well in his work here and I look forward to working with him.

Fr. Anthony O'Mahony (recently ordained) is appointed as chaplain to Colaiste Cholm. I welcome Fr. Anthony to his appointment and I will be of any support and help that I can to him in settling in and getting on with his work. Fr. Anthony is residing in St. Joseph's. Mayfield.

Fr. John O'Donovan is appointed to Goleen parish and the community school in Schull. I thank him for his work in Ballincollig parish, he brought great energy and enthusiasm to his work. I wish Fr. John every blessing in his new appointment.

Fr. Paul O'Donoghue is on sick leave. Fr. Paul made a unique contribution to the schools and the parish during his appointment and I take this opportunity to thank him sincerely. I wish him well and I hope that with the Lord's healing he will make a good recovery.

The Lenten Trocaire box collection amounted to €10,133.00. I deposited this amount with Trocaire and the appropriate receipt is on display on the notice boards of both churches. Thanks to everyone who contributed to this fine collection. I also handed over €700 that was collected for charity earlier in the year at the carol service. Thank you.

Fr. George

Migraine Sufferers

The Migraine Association of Ireland is holding an Information day on migraine on Sunday 10th September at 2 pm in the Imperial Hotel Cork. The seminar features local and international experts including:

Dr. Edward O'Sullivan, Director of the Migraine Clinic in Cork University Hospital. For more information, call the

The Pyke Theatre Group, Ballincollig.

Presents

The start of our new season of MONTHLY SOCIAL EVENINGS (the second Tuesday of each month)

At Ballincollig Rugby Pavillion
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Music by Crystal Swing .

Special guest artist appearing.

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MINISTERS OF THE WORD

Sep-16 & Sep-17-2006

St. Mary & St. John Christ Our Light

6:00 pm (Vigil)

Aine Sheehan

8:30 am

Triona Collins

10:00 am

Louise McCarthy

Susan Fennell

12:00 Noon

Miriam Maunsell

8:00 pm (Vigil)

Fiona Feely

11:00 am

Chide Ebili

Karen Flavin

12:30 pm

Orlaith McVeigh

5:30 pm

Christine O'Brien

MASS TIMES

St. Mary & St. John

8:30 am, 10 am & 12 noon

9:30 am

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10:00 am & 6 pm (Vigil)

Christ Our Light

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

8:30 am

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CONFESSIONS

After 10:00 am Mass & before 6:00 pm Mass

Saturday

After 9:00 am Mass

BAPTISMS

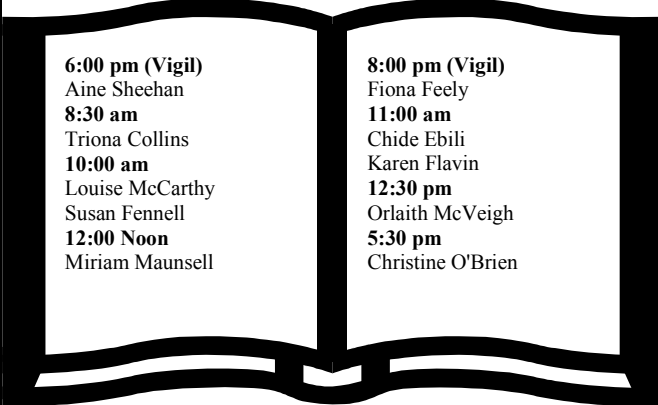
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Saturday

7:15 pm

12:45 pm

Sunday



MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST

Sep-16 & Sep-17-2006

St. Mary & St. John Christ Our Light

6.00 pm Vera Allen
Ber Bell
Betty Casey
Frank Riordan
Siobhan Riordan
Sr. Martha

8:00 pm Geraldine Lynch
Charlie Vaughan
Joan Stephenson

8:30 am Mary Buckley
Theresa Lucey
Triona Collins

11:00 am Marie Ui Chrualaof
Neil Jeffers
Eileen O'Donoghue
Bridie O'Donnell
Bridie Hanrahan

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

12:30 pm Con O'Connell
Denis O' Mahony
Christine O'Mahony
Tom Murray
John O'Regan

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

5:30 pm Patsy Galvin
Bernard Curran
Clare Curran

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