

THE BALLINCOLLIG PARISHIONER

Sunday 08-April-2007



St. Mary & St. John
Station Road

Easter Sunday

Today we face the greatest mystery of our faith, the mystery of how God works among us, bringing new life where before was only death. With a sense of wonder and with joy, we come today to thank God for the risen life of Jesus.



Christ Our Light
Innishmore

Christ Is Risen, Alleluia!

Some years ago, while on a Retreat, I was sitting in the early hours of the morning on a cliff overlooking the vast ocean waiting to see the sun rise. I have a fascination for sunrises and sunsets! I was waiting in hope and expectation for the darkness of the night to end and to see the light of a new day emerge. Seeing the sun emerge at the horizon and spreading its light across the ocean was for me a moment of pure joy - a moment symbolising new life, re-birth, resurrection.

The Easter Vigil begins in darkness. This darkness may be symbolic of all the suffering and pain in our lives - the pain of sickness, grief, loss, rejection, loneliness, abandonment, addiction, hopelessness. We wait in hope and expectation for our Gethsemane to end. Into this darkness a light shines when the Paschal Candle is carried in procession through the darkened Church. The Paschal Candle represents Christ who is the Light of the world and who rekindles his light in us by entering into the darkness of our lives bringing hope, joy and peace. When we light our own candles from the Paschal Candle it is a powerful image of the way in which we come to share in the living light of Christ. As Christians we are called to unite with both Christ crucified and Christ risen. He knows the longings and pains of the human heart and is with us in our sufferings and our joys. This celebration of Christ's Resurrection offers meaning and hope to all people.

St Paul reminds us that as baptised Christians we have a share in the new life of Christ: "Are you not aware that we who were baptized in Christ Jesus were baptized into his death? We were indeed buried with him through baptism into death, so that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, we too might live in newness of life." (Romans 6)

At Easter we are invited to renew our Baptismal promises. Having journeyed with Christ through his passion and death, we again choose to follow him in faith, hope and love. We make these promises together as a community because we know how much we can help one another along life's journey and how much we need each other. Whenever we light our 'Easter' candle in our homes it will be a reminder for us to thank God for the gift of faith asking Him to keep alive that 'flame' in our hearts.

In the words of St Augustine: "We are an Easter people and Alleluia is our song!"

May each of us experience the love, joy and peace of the Risen Christ!

Sr. Colette

PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL

Priest

On this Easter Day we pray with confidence to Almighty God, whose power raised Jesus from the dead.

Reader

That all members of the Christian family may witness by word and deed to the new life offered to us in Christ.

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

That those who have been baptised this Easter may grow strong in faith.

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

For a special blessing on all parents, Godparents, sponsors and on those who accompanied others on their faith-journey during this Lent.

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

For all those whose lives are darkened by fear or anxiety, and for those who are grieving, that they may be comforted.

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

For the intentions of all here present.

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

That those who have died may share in the glory of the Resurrection, we remember especially those in thoughts today.

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

Priest

God of life, hear the prayers we make to you on this Easter Day. Renew in our hearts the joy of your Son's Resurrection, and grant us what we need. We ask in the name of Jesus risen, your So who is Lord forever and ever.

Amen.

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BEST WISHES FOR A HAPPY EASTER
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The priests of the parish join in sending their Easter greetings to all members of the parish and to all readers of Ballincollig Parishioner.
George O'Mahony, Michael O'Mahony, Sean O'Driscoll & Anthony O'Mahony

This day was made by the Lord; we rejoice and are glad.

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† IN SYMPATHY †

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

Kitty O'Sullivan, Tudor Grove & Farran.
John Pugh, London & Birmingham.
Michael Hegarty, Carrignavar.

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

Catherine Murphy, Bishopstown & Powdermills.
Paddy & Crissy Twomey, Main Road.
Kathleen Barrett, Beech Park.
Tom O'Donoghue, Inniscarra View Estate.
Pauline Sheehan.
Eily Murphy, Church View.
John O'Mahony, Carriganarra.
Deceased members of the Murphy Family.
Pauline, Paddy & Jerry Sheehan, Curraheen.
Sheila O'Riordan, Castle Park.
Lena Dennehy, Castle View.
Mary & James O'Connell, Kinsale Road.
Julie O'Callaghan, Leemount.
Tom, Eileen & Jim Madigan, East Gate.
James & Mary McSweeney, Classis Ovens.
Kathleen Kelleher, Rylane
Mairead Boyce, Milford.
Mary Crowley, Bandon.
Tom O'Leary, 16 Maglin View.
Vincent McLoughlin, Sligo.
Marion O'Connor, Carriganarra.
John Ross, Innishmore
Con & Ellen Bradley.
Hughie & Neil O'Leary, Fairhill & Longford.
Cecelia Hurley, Fairhill.
Sheila O'Riordan, Castlepark.
O;Shea Family, West Village.
Denis O'Sullivan, West Village.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

The Easter Octave

08 Sunday Acts 10:34,37-43. Ps. 117. Col. 3:1-4 or 1 Cor. 5:6-9. In. 20:1-9. Lect I 417
09 Monday Acts 2: 14, 22-32. Ps. 15. Mt. 28:8-15. Lect I: 423
10 Tuesday Acts 2:36-41. Ps. 32. Jn. 20: 11-18. Lect I: 425
11 Wednesday Acts 3: 1-10. Ps. 104. Lk. 24: 13-35. Lect I: 427
12 Thursday Acts 3: 11-26. Ps. 8. Lk. 24:35-48. Lect I: 430
13 Friday Acts 4:1-12. Ps. 117. Jn. 21:1-14. Lect I: 432
14 Saturday Acts 4:13-21. Ps. 117. Mk. 16:9-15. Lect I: 435

Next Sunday's Readings 15-April-2007

Acts 5:12-16. Ps. 117. Apoc. 1:9-13, 17-19. In. 20: 19-31. Lect I: 444

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.

Reflection for Parents

Most parents have discovered by now that things aren't always, as they seem. A poured out bottle of laundry detergent wasn't really mischievous behaviour, but rather an attempt to surprise you with a generous gift of service. Or secret whispers are not an attempt to hide some wrongdoing but rather an effort to plan a surprise for you. Things weren't, as they seemed to Mary Magdalene either that first Easter morning. Our errors in perception often work to remind us that God's plan is not always obvious, but that we are challenged to trust in the promise of the resurrection.

Thought For Today

Death has no power over him

The certainty of death hangs over every human life. In every human heart lies the fundamental question about what life means and where it leads. Today we celebrate our faith that God's eternal Son has died, as we must do, to show us that death with him is the gateway to a world in which our deepest questions are answered and our

That First Sign Of Dawn

At the Crucifixion, 'darkness covered the whole earth'. It seemed to symbolise the triumph of evil and brutality. But 'light shone in the darkness and darkness could not overpower it' (Jn 1:5). The light which had begun to shine when the women went to the tomb was the light

Lord, may all that I am today, all that I try to do today, may all my encounters, reflections, even my frustrations and failings, all place my life in your hands

Church of St Moluada, Clogagh,

Timoleague.

Flower Festival Committee.

Presents

"Moluada in Bloom"

Saturday 14 April, 11 am - 6pm

Sunday 15 April !2 Noon - 5pm.

All Are Welcome.

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THE SUNDAY READINGS

First Reading: Acts 10:34. 37-43

Peter preaches to some of the early converts and tells them of Christ's death and Resurrection. That message is still preached today, within the Church. We yearn to hear the truth, the Gospel, the Word of life.

Second Reading: 1 Cor. 5:6-9

Paul speaks of union with Christ. If we stay united with Christ, in his human nature, we will someday share his glory.

Gospel: John 20:1-9.

On Friday afternoon when Jesus died, the women had not been able to finish the customary preparation for burial. The Sabbath began at sundown on Friday, so Mary of Magdala hurried to the tomb Sunday morning to complete her task. She found the tomb empty. Certain that Jesus' body had been stolen, she ran back to get the other disciples. Peter and the other disciple also found an empty tomb but with Jesus' clothing rolled neatly and placed where his body had been. The disciples still didn't understand about the resurrection and Mary wept. As she cried, two angels appeared asking why she was crying. She then saw a gardener and asked him where the body might be. When he called her by name, Mary immediately recognised Jesus

49th Cork Ballincollig Scout Group

Over the last number of weeks at the troop weekly meetings, the scouts have been practicing their knots and lashings, in particular the square lashing and the tripod lashing in preparation for Easter Saturday night, when we have been invited to build two fires outside the Church (when you read this it will have taken place, it will have been successful or ye all will be sitting in the open air for Mass). We also for a bit of diversion at the meeting, built and raced a type of box car made with casters, tyres and plywood. Fun was had by all and Daniels patrol won. All the older scouts went to Mount Melleray Scout Centre on crew for four days the work was hard and long hours, their Scouting good deed done.

Some useful Scout tips

Taking a naked light into a modern tent is like striking a match to look under a bonnet of a car.

They say a watched pot never boils. An unwatched pot easily boils dry and ends up spoiled.

Dried orange peel makes excellent kindling.

Anyone going to buy hiking boots and intending to wear thick socks, would be well advised to wear two pairs of socks when buying the boots.

The best way to make a fire with two sticks is to be sure one of them is a match.

Bulletin Board

Penitential Service

Thanks to everybody who came to take part in the Penitential Service in St Mary's & St. John's on April 2nd.

St Vincent De Paul

Require Collectors on 1st Sunday of each Month before all Sunday Masses.

Palm Sunday

Many thanks to all who were involved in the Procession of Palms in St. Mary & St. John and Christ Our Light on Palm Sunday. This greatly enhanced the Liturgy.

Confirmations

Scoil Barra	Thursday 19th April 2007
Our Lady of Good Counsel	Thursday 19th April 2007
Gaelscoil Uí Riordáin	Wednesday 18th April 2007

First Holy Communion

Scoil Mhuire	Saturday 28th April 2007
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Spring Dues Envelopes

The Priests of the Parish would like to thank you for returning the Spring Dues Envelopes. Your continued support is much appreciated.

Easter Monday

Please note there will be no 08:30 am Mass in Christ Our Light.
Fr. George

He has Risen

Lord Jesus, by rising from the dead, you broke the power of death and opened the way for us to a life beyond all limitations, weaknesses, failures and evil. Stretch our minds and our hearts to understand the wonder of what we celebrate and fill us with the hope of risen life in the new creation.

Msza św.

Mass in Polish

w języku polskim

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Ballincollig

21 kwietnia - 21 April

sobota – 19:15 - Saturday 19:15

Zapraszamy

Powiadom znajomych

TROCAIRE

We have reached the end of Lent and now move with hope and joy into the Easter period. The story of Easter brings us out of the darkness of despair into the light and we believe that God work in situations that appear hopeless, to bring forth new life. The Easter story reminds us that Jesus is risen and that in our lives, even when it seems desperate, there is always hope of new life.

As we move out of Holy Week and into the joy of Easter, it is an opportunity for us to bring our Trocaire boxes and contributions back to the church as a sign of our solidarity with the poor around the world. It is our opportunity to make a difference and support communities all over the world.

The Pyke Theatre Group, Ballincollig

Monthly Social

Tuesday 10th April in The Rugby Club, Tanner Park.

Music by Tim Desmond

Tea sandwiches and cake served during the interval

A Great Night Assured.

Tea, Coffee, Sandwiches

and cake served during the interval.

Admission €5

MINISTERS OF THE WORD

Apr-14 & Apr-15-2007

St. Mary & St. John Christ Our Light

6:00 pm (Vigil)
Ailish O'Reilly
Daniel McAuliffe
8:30 am
Elizabeth Daly
10:00 am
Grace Buttimer
Orla Horgan
12:00 Noon
Sean Hennessy

8:00 pm (Vigil)
Murigen Ni Mhathuna
11:00 am
Meabh Nic Mheanmain
12:30 pm
Bernard Vallely
5:30 pm
Phil O'Connell



MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST

Apr-14 & Apr-15-2007

St. Mary & St. John Christ Our Light

6.00 pm Eileen Murphy
Ted Nelligan
Angela Murphy
Ann O'Connell
Sheila Walshe
Rita Hodge

8:00 pm John O'Donoghue
Mary Dineen
Kathleen Daly
Mairead Keenan
11:00 am Mary O'Mahony
Mona Bowen
Billy Barry
Mary Aylward
Pauline Baston

8:30 am Helen Kelly
Breeda Feehily
Mary O'Connor
10:00 am Miriam Maunsell
Mary Buckley
Breda Ring
Mary O'Regan
John Henchy
Martin O'Leary

12:30 pm Mary Twomey
Maura O'Driscoll
Mary Lehane
Dympna Byrne

12 Noon Joy Daly
Pat Kelleher
Theresa O'Donovan
Ellen O'Sullivan
Ursala McAuliffe
Sally Crowley

5:30 pm Garreth Irish
Sheila O'Connor
Elizabeth O'Sullivan

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	
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	8 pm (Vigil)

CONFESSIONS

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

BAPTISMS

4:30 pm	Saturday	4:30 pm
Except First Saturday of Month		First Saturday of Month
12:45 pm	Sunday	

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