

THE BALLINCOLLIG PARISHIONER



St. Mary & St. John
Station Road

Sunday 28-September-2008

Twenty Sixth Sunday In Ordinary Time

It takes at least two to make a friendship. God loves us, but there is no relationship between him and us unless we return his love. In this relationship there can be no pretence nor living on the past. Our response to God must continue every day to be real, just as his love for us is a daily reality.



Christ Our Light
Innishmore

Week of Directed Prayer

On the 12th October 2008 the parish will again hold a week of Directed Prayer. This week gives participants an opportunity to gain a deeper insight into the Bible, and their own prayer life. A team of trained guides from outside the parish will direct the week. Each guide will, on an individual and private basis, help the participants to pray, and to reflect on what God is saying to them in their lives. All parishioners and prayer groups are asked to please pray for those taking part in this week..

Who can come? Anyone who would like help in prayer and Who can give the time 30 minutes each day From Monday to Friday.
Where? Ballincollig Parish
When? 12th to 17th October 2008

Important

The Retreat will begin with a meeting for Guides and Participants on Sunday 12th October at 7 pm in the Annex to the Community Centre.
Any Queries Phone: Sally: 4870841, Maire: 4870780, Sr. Elizabeth: 4870625

Please complete and return this portion as soon as possible to facilitate booking of sufficient prayer guides.

I would be interested in taking part in the Week of Prayer.

Name _____

Address _____

Phone _____

Suitable time to meet your Guide, please tick (✓) as appropriate

- Morning
- Afternoon
- Evening (After 6 pm)

Forms to be handed in to the sacristy of either Church as soon as possible, but not later than Sat / Sun 4 / 5th October.

PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL

Priest

Let us present our prayers to the God of unbounded kindness.

Reader

We pray for the Church throughout the world. May the Lord bless our Pope, our Bishop, our priests, religious and people of the Diocese.

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

We pray for our parish community, that in this time of change we may become more aware of our baptism and the privilege it gives us to share with and care for one another. May Christ always be at the centre of our decisions and actions.

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

We pray for the sick of the parish, the house-bound, those in hospital, that through their suffering and prayers, they may realize their important role in the work of the church and in our parish.

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

On this Gougane Barra Sunday, we thank God for the people of past generations who passed the faith to ourselves. We pray that we may value our faith and have the conviction and courage to pass it on to those who come after us.

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

Lord, you reveal your love for us in the lives of your holy priests, may we never be deprived of the care you show through them.

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

We pray for all who are preparing for the priesthood, we ask the Lord to fill them with the joy and peace of his presence during their preparation and throughout their lives.

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

Priest

Lord, you called your priests to be with you and to bring the Good News of salvation to all people. Send your Holy Spirit upon them and may they answer your call with generous hearts. We ask this through Christ our Lord.

Amen

Remember your mercy, Lord.

Reflection for Parents

It may be difficult for parents of our time to think of children as "non-persons." They are probably the most important people in our lives! Parents in ancient times loved their children just as parents do today. While children in our time are protected by many laws, still very few children carry any authority or power in our culture. So the difference is not in children and parents of two different times, rather the point is how children are unencumbered by status. Their love for God is fresh and uncomplicated. This is a quality in our children we should consciously observe and emulate.

Visit Our Website: www.ballincolligparish.ie

BAPTISMS

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

Ellie Hannah Crowley, Rosewood Estate.
 Christopher James Prendiville O'Brien, Castle Park.
 Cornelia Corcoran, Hazel Grove.
 Senan Tomas Barry-Smith, The Meadows, Glasses Lake.
 Victoria Susan Cunningham, Winsley House, Killumney Road.
 Sean Patrick Coughlan, Silverwood.
 Jayden James Coleman, Glincool Crescent.
 Oskar Karol Stadnicki, Oaklands.
 Caoimhe Margaret Daly, The Avenue, Bridewood.
 Sarah Kate Murphy, Rosewood Estate.
 Whelan O'Keefe, Elm Lawn Muskerry Estate.
 James Frederick Twomey, The Cedars, Classes Lake.
 Donncha Michael Noonan, An Caislean.
 Daniel Sean Hurley, Citi West Mews.
 Callum Michael Donal Hegarty, Leo Murphy Tce.
 Patrick Piotr Buchaniec, The Lawn, Coolroe Meadows.
 Jack Gearoid McCarthy, Rosewood Estate.

MARRIAGES

CONGRATULATIONS TO:

Mark Von Raesfelot, Island Way & Carol Desmond, Island Way.
 Mark Fitzgerald, Castleknock & Nicola Kerins, Castleknock,
 Stein Pinkett, Innishmore Park & Joleen O'Donnell, Innishmore Park.

† **IN SYMPATHY** †

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

Eileen O'Mahony, Fermoy.
 Dina Dreelin, Kilkenny.
 Mary O'Sullivan, Avnocourt.
 Fr. Timothy Nolan, West Wickham, Kent.
 Joe O'Sullivan, Bantry.
 Catherine Kelleher, Currabeg, Ovens.
 Davie Shields, Kilmurry.

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

John Walsh, Colledge Square.
 Eilis Cooper, Clashduv Road & USA
 Patrick Walsh, Kilkenny.
 Kitty, Pat & Pat (Jnr) Sheehan, Coachford.
 Jim Purcell, Magazine Road.
 Mary Kenefick, Clonakilty.
 Daniel O'Driscoll, Bantry.
 Nan & Maurice O'Flynn, Curraheen & Mullingar.
 Rose, Paddy & Rosemary Wall, Navan.
 Dan & Margaret Murphy, Knockburden.
 Daniel (Jnr) Murphy, Bray.
 Cecelia Pauline Leahy, Carrigrohane.
 Catherine & Joseph O'Beirne, Glasheen.
 Bart O'Callaghan, Geelong, Ausstralia.
 Michael & Bridget Forde, Curaheen.
 Charles & Sheila Hegarty, Caheragh.
 Bean Uí Mhaoldomhaigh, Scoil Mhuire.
 Dan O'Sullivan, Killorglin.

Society of St. Vincent De Paul
 Monthly Collection
 Next Weekend 4th & 5th October 2008
 Please Support

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Twenty Sixth Week In Ordinary Time

28 Sunday Ez. 18:25-28. Ps. 24. Phil. 2: 1-11. Mt. 21:28-32. Lect I: 705
 29 Monday Dan. 7:9-10, 13-14 or Apoc. 12:7-12. Ps. 137. Jn. 1 :47-51.
 Lect II: 1205
 30 Tuesday Job 3:1-3, 11-17, 20-23. Ps 87. Lk 9:51-56. Lect II: 791
 01 Wednesday Job 9:1-12, 14-16. Ps87. Lk 9:57-62. Lect II: 793
 02 Thursday Ex 23:20-23. Ps 90. Mt 18:1-5, 10. Lect II: 1212
 03 Friday Job 38:1, 12-21, 40:3-5. Ps. 138. Lk. 10:13-16. Lect II: 797
 04 Saturday Job 42:1-3, 5-6, 12-17. Ps 118. Lk 10:17-24. Lect II: 799

Next Sunday's Readings 05-October-2008
 Is. 5:1-7. Ps. 79. Phil. 4:6-9. Mt. 21:33-43. Lect I: 708

Mobile Phone Etiquette

We ask all parishioners to ensure mobile phones are switched off when attending church; this can be hugely distracting especially during Mass.

Irish Day for Life
Sunday 5th October 2008

Day for life – the day in the church's year dedicated to celebrating the sacredness of life – will focus this year on the theme of mental health. It will help raise awareness of the needs of those affected by mental ill-health, their friends, their family and their carers, and the support that the parish community and professional services can bring

Society of St. Vincent de Paul
Ballincollig

Volunteer collectors urgently required

We urgently require additional collectors for our monthly church gate collection at both our churches, if you are willing to help out (even if only occasionally), please ring 085-7374244.

Cork Simon Community

We are looking for volunteers to help in the following areas:

- Fundraising Office - computer skills required.
- Door to Door Collections.
- Flag Day Collections.

Please contact Niamh @ 021-4377643
 or email: niamh@corksimoncommunity.ie
 for further information

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THE SUNDAY READINGS

First Reading: Ezekiel 18:25-28
The prophet Ezekiel listens to God's word and has his views challenged.

Second Reading: Philippians 2:1-11
St Paul pleads for unity in the church at Phillippi.

Gospel: Matthew 21:28-32
Jesus pointed out to chief priest and elders that they had not believed John nor had they changed their hearts after seeing Jesus. They were like the son who said "yes" to his father's request to work in the vineyard. Even though he said he would, the son did not work. The father's second son (representing sinners) said "no" to his father's request, but went to the vineyard and worked after all. Jesus said it would be those who are like the second son who would enter the Kingdom first.

**St. Dominic's Retreat Centre
October Events**

Weekend 3rd – 5th October
Centering Prayer : Prayer as a relationship, sessions to deepen the practice of centering prayer, prayer in secret, the discipline of centering prayer, what centering prayer is not and what it is.
Presenter : Sr Fionnuala Quinn O.P
Cost : Residential €150, (Non-residential €40 Meals extra)

Commencing 8th October – 12th November
Wednesday 7.30 - 8.30pm
(5 Wednesdays excluding 29th October)
Mid-week meditation - Resting Spaces – Meditation, Reflection using Scripture and guided input.
Led by: Martina Lehane Sheehan
Donation €5

October 11th – Saturday 10.00 am – 4.30 pm
Art & Spirituality – a day of reflection with paints and prayer.
Led by: Jonnie Fitzpatrick.
Cost: €30 (includes light lunch : soup & roll)

October 11th – Saturday 10.30 am – 4.30 pm
Stress Release and Healing – Relax, unwind and discover lasting ways of healing and dealing with stress in daily life. The day comprises of relaxation, meditation, guided visualization using Scripture, as well as input on how to find healing and stillness in our everyday lives.
Led by: Martina Lehane Sheehan
Cost: €30 (includes light lunch : soup & roll)

Mini Marathon

Take part for Cork Simon in the Women's Mini Marathon on Sunday the 28th of September. Putting our best foot forward together we can make all the difference to the lives of homeless people.

Contact Mairéad on 021 4929401
or email mairéad@corksimoncommunity.ie
for your tee shirt and sponsorship card.

Table Quiz.

A Table Quiz in aid of Cork Simon Community will be held in NEMO GAA Club on Thursday the 2nd of October at 9 pm.
Tables of 4 at €40 per table.
For more information call Mairéad on 021 4321166
or email mairéad@corksimoncommunity.ie

Bulletin Board

First Friday

Friday October 3rd is the first Friday of the month. There will be exposition of the Blessed Sacrament in St Mary & St John from 10.00 am to 7.30 pm, you are invited to come and spend some time with the Lord on that day. There is evening Mass in St Mary & St John at 8.00 pm. The priests of the parish visit the sick of the parish on the first Friday of each month; please let us know if you have a family member or neighbour who is sick or housebound.

Children's Mass

The Children's Mass resumed on Sunday 21st September at 11 am in Christ Our Light. The Children of 2nd class go to the crying room at the beginning of Mass there they celebrate Liturgy of the Word in child friendly fashion - word searches, colouring and maze search are some of the methods used. Volunteers are welcome and needed to help. Training and practice will be given. Parents are welcome to join their Children for the celebration of the Word of God. We invite Parents of First Communion children to please try and bring Children to this Mass. Bringing your Child to the Sunday Mass is an important preparation for your Child's First Holy Communion.

Confirmation dates for 2009

Scoil Eoin, Monday, 23rd March.
Scoil Barra, Thursday, 23rd April.
Our Lady of Good Counsel, Thursday, 23rd April.
Scoil Mhuire, Wednesday, 22nd April.
Gaelscoil Ui Riordáin Tuesday, 19th May.

This Week's Calendar

Monday 29 – Saints Michael, Gabriel and Raphael, Archangels. Gabriel brought the message to Mary at the Annunciation. He is patron of telecommunications, radio and TV workers. Raphael was guide to Tobias. He is patron of nurses, physicians and the blind. Michael has been venerated as protector of Christians in general and soldiers in particular. He is patron of radiologists, the sick and paratroopers.

Tuesday 30 – St Jerome, priest and doctor of the Church. Jerome, 340-420, translated the Bible into Latin, known as the Vulgate, and wrote commentaries on the scriptures. He is patron of librarians.

Wednesday, 1 October – St Thérèse of the Child Jesus, virgin and doctor of the Church. Thérèse of Lisieux, Marie Françoise Thérèse Martin, died at the Carmel in Lisieux on 30 September 1897. She was declared a Doctor of the Church by Pope John Paul II in 1997. She is patron of missions, florists, aviators and France.

Thursday 2 – The Guardian Angels. Catholic tradition has recognised that not only individual people have guardian angels, but also homes, cities and states.

Friday, 3 – Blessed Columba Marmion. Columba was born in Dublin in 1858 and ordained priest in Rome in 1881. He served as a curate in Dundrum Parish and then as a professor in Holy Cross College, Clonliffe, before entering the Abbey of Maredsous, Belgium in 1886. Elected Abbot of Maredsous in 1909, he remained in office until his death in 1923. He was the author of three best-selling spiritual classics: Christ, the Life of the Soul; Christ, in His Mysteries and Christ, the Ideal of the Monk. He was beatified in Rome on 1 September 2000.

Saturday 4 – St Francis of Assisi. Francis, 1181-1226, abandoned all things for the love of Christ, founded the Friars Minor and, along with St Clare, the Poor Clares. For the last two years of his life he suffered the stigmata. He is patron saint of ecologists.

Fr. George

MINISTERS OF THE WORD

Oct-04 & Oct-05-2008

St. Mary & St. John

Christ Our Light

6:00 pm (Vigil)

Carmel Keane
Sarah Dillon

8:30 am

Susan Fennell

10:00 am

Margot Twomey
Jordan Crowley

12:00 Noon

Sean Hennessy
Shane Lehane

7:30 pm (Vigil)

Michael Greene

11:00 am

Alex Hatsigrigoriou
Alison Henchion

12:30 pm

Bernard Vallely

5:30 pm

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

Monday

8:30 am

9:30 am

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8:30 am

9:30 am

Thursday

8:30 am

9:30 am & 8 pm

Friday

8:30 am

10:00 am & 6 pm (Vigil)

Saturday

7:30 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

PARISH CLERGY

Priest on Duty

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Fr. Michael O'Mahony C.C.

021-4877161

Fr. Billy O'Sullivan C.C.

021-4876171

Fr. James McSweeney

021-4870434



MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST

Oct-04 & Oct-05-2008

St. Mary & St. John

Christ Our Light

6.00 pm

Steve Wills
Margaret O'Sullivan
Rita Aherne
Danny Farrell
Jim Walsh
Frances O'Brien

7:30 pm

Anne O'Regan
Mairead Murphy
Finbarr Murray
Lettie Kelly

11:00 am

Seamus O'Connell
Mary O'Connell
Alan O'Riordan
Geraldine Keohane
Gerard Murray

8:30 am

Mary Buckley
Rita Murphy
Mary O'Keefe

12:30 pm

Lucy O'Callaghan
Jackie Sheehan
Mary Green
Michael O'Leary
J.P.O'Leary

10:00 am

Christina Walsh
Peter Reilly
Mary Collins
Christy Roche
Katie O'Shea
Claire Creedon

12 Noon

Oliver O'Donovan
Barbara Kelly
Sean Hennessy
Mary McLean
Ellen Seymour
Nora Hennessy

5:30 pm

Noelle Buckley
Mary Breen
Siobhan Burke



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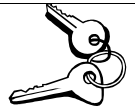
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Sat 10:30 am - 12 Noon. Phone No. (021) 4871206, Office Secretary Catherine Crowley.



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