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Sunday 17-April-2011

Passion (Palm) Sunday

Jesus was tortured and humiliated by the pride and selfwill 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.

St. Mary & St. John Station Road

Holy Week

From Palm Sunday to Easter Sunday, the Church remembers the journey of Jesus from his triumphant entry into Jerusalem to his last meal, trial, crucifixion, death, and resurrection. These are important events in our faith journey. Throughout the week we are reminded of God's great love for us.

Each Holy Thursday we remember the institution of the Eucharist which gives us nourishment for our journey. We also recall Jesus washing the Apostles' feet and his words: 'If I then, the Lord and Master, have washed your feet, then surely you must wash one another's feet.' In washing the feet of his apostles Jesus gave us an example of humility and showed how love and service are expressed in action. He now invites us to show that love and service towards each other. Perhaps this is a time to ask oneself, in what ways am I the hands, the feet, the eyes of Christ for others? In ministering to one another we deepen our unity as members of the Body of Christ. To those in our Parish community who are housebound or resident in Nursing Homes, because of age, illness or for whatever reason, I would like to say that you too have an active role in ministering to others by the precious contribution you make through your sufferings and by your ministry of prayer.

On Holy Thursday morning, the Mass of Chrism will be celebrated at the Cathedral during which the Holy Oils to be used for the celebration of the Sacraments will be blessed. Bishop Buckley invites us to join with him and the priests of the Diocese for this celebration. On this day when we also recall the institution of the Priesthood, let us remember in prayer and gratitude the priests of our Parish for their commitment and selfless ministry to us. Following the Eucharistic Celebration on Holy Thursday evening, the Blessed Sacrament is carried to the altar of Repose which reminds us of Jesus' time in the garden of Gethsemane and recalls his question to the disciples: 'Could you not watch one hour with me'? Spending some time before the blessed Sacrament at the Altar of Repose gives us an opportunity to express our gratitude to God and to pray for the suffering members of our Parish community.

On Good Friday we are invited to be actively involved in walking in spirit with Jesus on the road to Calvary, by participating in the outdoor Way of Cross through the streets of Ballincollig - which begins at 12 md.at the Church of St Mary and St John.

Let us journey with Jesus and each other throughout this Holy Week.

Sr. Colette

Reflection for Parents

There is much to reflect on in this reading. One interesting note, however, is the different responses Judas and Peter had when they came face to face with their rejection of Christ. After his three denials, Peter "wept bitterly." These tears of regret led the way to reconciliation when Peter first encountered the risen Christ. Judas, on the other hand, knew what he did was wrong, but he couldn't face the hopelessness his actions brought. To relieve the pain of what he had done, Judas took his own life. Some days it is difficult (even beyond measure) to be a parent. The lesson we learn today is that reconciliation and healing bring us long-term joy instead of living in the harsh bitterness of despair.



Christ Our Light Innishmore

PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL

Priest

As we begin the week in which Christ suffered, let us pray for our needs to God.

Reader

For Christians: that they may respond with compassion to the sufferings of those around them. Lord, Hear us,

Lord, graciously hear us.

For judges and government leaders: that they may strive to see that justice is done in all cases.

Lord, Hear us, Lord, graciously hear us.

For all who suffer unjustly. Lord, Hear us, Lord, graciously hear us.

For those in pain of any kind. Lord, Hear us, Lord, graciously hear us.

For each other: that we may be able to unite our sufferings to those of Christ, and so know his power in our weakness. Lord. Hear us.

Lord, graciously hear us.

For grace in our own sufferings and those of our loved ones.

Lord, Hear us, Lord, graciously hear us.

Priest

Father, help us to follow Christ your Son along the road to Calvary so that we share in his Easter victory. We make this prayer through the same Christ our Lord. Amen

My God, my God, why have you forsaken me? Visit Our Website: www.ballincolligparish.ie

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BAPTISMS

WE WELCOME TO OUR COMMUNITY ALL THOSE WHO WERE BAPTISED RECENTLY : Alex Anthony O'Driscoll, Elm Walk, Classes Lake.

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† IN SYMPATHY † PLEASE PRAY FOR THE FAMILY AND FRIENDS OF THE RECENTLY DECEASED : Mary Fitzgerald, Cahirciveen.

Joan Murphy, Knockavilla. Jerry Desmond, Kinsale. Baby Christopher Sweeney, Muskerry Estate.

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

Jack O'Farrell, Ballydehob. Nellie Forde, Terelton, Macroom. Jerry & Chris O'Sullivan, Clash Road. John, Kitty Harte & Family, Clonakilty. Clare McSwiney, Cloghroe. Bridie Herlihy, Magazine Road. Mathew Jennings, Rosewood. Mary O'Driscoll, Ballydehob. Vera Walsh, The Maltings. Denis & Patrick O'Shea, Ballinora. Danjo O'Shea, Station Road. Bridie Sexton, Hillsboro. Tony Barlow, Carrigrohane. Dec members of the O'Mahony & Keating families. John Morrissey, Doneraile. Lena Dennehy, Castleview. John Kelly, Kilmichael. Dr Sean Crotty, Coolroe. Johanna Morrissey, Doneraile. William & Agnes Murphy, Bishopstown & St Patrick's Road. Eileen Moore, Dublin.

Car Parking

St Mary & St John and Christ Our Light Please enter the car parks to both churches from the left hand side. This is important from a health and safety point of view. Please also be careful of pedestrians who walk to Mass or from their cars to the church. Take care also not to obstruct entrance and exit to the car parks and church doors.

Lourdes

Cork & Ross Pilgrimage 2011 11 - 16 June - 5 nights - full board accommodation Booking Forms available from the Pilgrim Section of Joe Walsh Tours, 117 Patrick Street Tel. O21-4277959 / 021-4277120 Enquiries for Special Invalid Section to The Pilgrimage Director, Monsignor Kevin O'Callaghan No.2 Presbytery, Curraheen Road. Tel. 021-4346463

Knock

Legion of Mary Annual Pilgrimage will take place on Sunday 29th May 2011. Bus leaving village at 7.00 am sharp. Early booking advised. For details contact Sally (021) 4870954 or Cathleen (021) 4874730.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Palm Sunday Of The Lord's Passion

17 Sunday Is. 50:4-7. Ps 22. Phil. 2:6- 11. Mt. 26:14-27,66. Lect I: 346

18 Monday Is. 42:1-7. Ps. 26. Jn. 12:1-11 Lect I: 374

19 Tuesday Is. 49: 1-6. Ps. 70. Jn. 13:21-33,36-38. Lect I: 376

20 Wednesday Is. 50:4-9. Ps. 68. Mt. 26:14-25. Lect I: 379

21 Thursday Ex. 12:1-8,11-14. Ps. 115.1 Cor. 11:23-26. Jn. 13:1-15. Lect I: 387

22 Friday Is. 52: 13-53: 12. Ps. 30. Heb. 4: 14-16, 5:7-9. Jn. 18: 1-19:42. Lect I: 390

23 Saturday

Next Sunday's Readings 24-April-2011

Acts 10:34, 37-43. Ps. 117. Col. 3: 1-4 or 1 Cor. 5:6-9. Jn. 20: 1-9. Lect I: 417

Ballincollig Parish Biblical Reflection on The Eucharist

The fourth and final talk of current series will be held in the St Mark Centre, opposite the Church of Christ Our Light in Innishmore. Talk will include presentation by Fr Billy O'Sullivan followed by tea and group discussion.

	Monday 7.30 pm	Wednesday 10.00 am	
Talk 4	18 th April	20 th April	

Cork Simon Community

Is holding an Open Garden at **Kilroan, Glanmire on the 30th April 2011 between 12 pm and 6 pm.** This is a beautiful large mature garden for all seasons with a variety of areas naturally flowing into one another. Featuring a large collection of camellias, rhododendrons, azaleas, magnolias, Japanese maples and other special trees and shrubs. Woodland, a wisteria walk, a rockery, an alpine gravel area and more.....

Directions: From Cork on the R639 through Glanmire Village, pass Riverstown Cross and take the next turn to the right at Hazelwood. Go straight to the little round-about at Brooklodge, first left off the roundabout. Kilroan is ³/₄ way up the hill on the right hand side – past the old stone wall, the entrance has heavy stone gate posts with no name, a lodge is on the left hand side of the gate.

All proceeds go towards the Cork Simon Community.

Muskerry Local History Society

A talk on pisheogs will be delivered by Seamus Healy at Ballincollig Rugby Club Hall on Tuesday April 19 next. The night's proceedings will get underway at 8 o'clock and the event is open to the public.

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Ballincollig Parish

Holy Week Ceremonies – 17th April 2011 to 23rd April 2011

St N	1ary & St. John . Time	Days		Christ Our Light.
Normal Masses	8.30 am, 10.00 am & 12 noon	Palm Sunday	Normal Masses	11.00 am, 12.30 pm & 5.30 pm
Mass	9.30 am & 8.00 pm	Monday	Mass	8.30 am & 6.30 pm
Mass	9.30 am & 8.00 pm	Tuesday	Mass	8.30 am & 6.30 pm
Mass	9.30 am & 8.00 pm	Wednesday	Mass	8.30 am & 6.30 pm
No Morning Mass			No Morning Mass	
Mass of the Last Supper8.00 pmFollowed by Adoration & Holy Hour		Holy Thursday	Mass of the Last Suppe Followed by Adoration	
Stations of the Cross			Stations of the Cross	
Outdoor – (starting fr In Church	rom St. Mary& St. John's) 12.00 noon 3.00 pm	Good Friday	Outdoor – (starting fro In Church	om St. Mary& St. John's) 12.00 noon 3.00 pm
Celebration of the Lor & Holy Communion.	rd's Passion 8.00 pm.		Celebration of the Lord & Holy Communion.	d's Passion 6.30 pm
No morning Mass Evening Mass Easter Vigil & Mass	6.00 pm 9.00 pm	Holy Saturday	No morning Mass Easter Vigil & Mass	7.30 pm
		Reconciliation Service	Monday 18th April at 7.00 pm	
Holy Thursday Good Friday Holy Saturday	12.00 noon-1.00 pm 7.00-8.00 pm. After all ceremonies 11.30am – 1.00 pm & 2.00-4.00 pm	Confessions	Holy Thursday Good Friday Holy Saturday	After 6.30 pm Mass After all ceremonies 11.30 am

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THE SUNDAY READINGS

First Reading: Isaiah 50:4-7 The servant of the Lord was rebuffed but did not turn back; he was beaten and spat upon. The suffering one knew the Lord God was with him.

Second Reading: Philippians 2:6-11

Christ was in the form of God but did not consider equality with God a thing to be grasped at. He emptied himself, took the form of a slave, and was obedient unto death! Therefore, God exalted him, and all proclaim him Lord.

Gospel: Matthew 26:14-27:66

Each year on this Sunday we follow the events of Jesus' life from the time he entered Jerusalem until the point where he was laid in the tomb after his crucifixion. Jesus first entered Jerusalem riding a donkey amid waving palm leaves. It was in Jerusalem that he foretold Judas' betrayal, Peter's denial, and established the Eucharist at the Passover meal. Jesus took his disciples into Gethsemane to pray, but they could not stay awake with him. In the garden, Jesus was turned over to the authorities, tried before the Sanhedrin, brought to Pilate, and sentenced to death. When offered a choice during the festival to release a prisoner, the people chose the release of Barabbas. Their choice was beyond Pilate's comprehension, so he symbolically washed his hands of the whole deal. Jesus was turned over to the Roman authorities for crucifixion and mocked by them. Finally, Jesus died on the cross. The earth darkened and quaked. He was prepared quickly for burial and laid in the tomb.

Trócaire

This Palm Sunday as we prepare to celebrate Holy Week we are asked by Trocaire to remember that our giving to those in the developing world is not an act of power but of solidarity and love. We give because it is the right and just thing to do. Support the Lenten campaign and ensure poor people have a chance to build a better life.

Community Work Professional Education at CIT

Would you like to have nationally and internationally recognised qualifications in community work?

The BA degree programme at Cork Institute of Technology can provide you with such an opportunity!

This is a three year programme consisting of lectures, master classes and a work-practice element based in the community.

Applications are currently invited from candidates who have significant experience in community work and or/ qualifications in cognate areas for advanced entry to the second and third year of the programme commencing September 2011.

Entry to this programme is based on interview.

Further information from: Anne Deasy, Cork Institute of Technology. Telephone: 021 – 433 5930, Email: anne.deasy@cit.ie, www.cit.ie

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Bulletin Board

Baptism Preparation

The next Baptism preparation will take place **Saturday 30th April, 2011 at 12.00 noon** in the **Library Room, Community Hall, Station Road.** The presentation lasts for approximately forty minutes. The following questions are addressed, What is Baptism? What are the symbols used in the Sacrament of Baptism? How can the family become involved in the ceremony? Parents might book the baptism a few weeks in advance to give ample time to take part in the preparation.

Reconciliation Service

Penitential service in Church of Christ Our Light on Monday 18th April at 7.00 pm. This is an opportunity to gather as a faith community and acknowledge our need of God's forgiveness as we prepare for Easter.

Chrism Mass

Bishop Buckley invites you to the **Chrism Mass in the Cathedral on Holy Thursday, April 21st at 10.00 am.** It is an occasion of Special thanksgiving as the Oils for the Celebration of the Sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation, Holy Orders and the Anointing of the Sick are blessed.

Stations of the Cross

This year, for the first time, Ballincollig Parish will have outdoor Stations. It is proposed that the 12 noon Stations will be held out of doors, with the Stations in various positions in Ballincollig. The aim of having the stations out of doors is to bring the stations to the community which will enable the people of Ballincollig to follow the cross, and become actively involved. (See insert for more detail & route) **Please join us at the church of St Mary & St John on Good Friday, April 22nd at noon.**

Easter Vigil

Parishioners are reminded to bring candles to the Easter Vigil Ceremonies at 7.30 pm in Christ Our Light and 9 pm in St Mary & St John on Holy Saturday evening. *Please take special care to avoid dripping candle grease on the floor or on the seats.*

Special Collection

Holy Places - Good Friday

Change of Missalette

You will notice a change in the missalette in the coming weeks. There are a number of reasons for the change; improved quality of paper, better layout of missalette and colour. The cost is significantly cheaper - €3.85 per 1000 as against €6.30.

Confirmation

Congratulations to the Girls of Scoil Mhuire who were recently confirmed. Congratulations also to the Parents and Teachers for their great efforts in preparing the children for the Sacrament. Please keep in your prayers all the children preparing for their Confirmation and First Holy Communion.

Scoil Eoin confirmation Monday May 9^{th} and Gael Scoil Thursday May 19^{th}

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MINISTERS OF THE WORD		MASS TIMES						
Apr-23 & Apr-24-2011			St. Mary & St. John		Christ Our Light			
St. M	ary & St. John	Chri	st Our Light	8:30 am, 10 am & 12 noon	Sunday	11 am, 12:30 pm & 5:30 pm		
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				After 10:00 am Mass & before 6:00 pm Mass	Saturday			
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EUCHARIST Apr-23 & Apr-24-2011			4:30 pm Except First Saturday of Month	Saturday	4:30 pm First Saturday of Month			
			12:45 pm	Sunday				
St. M	lary & St. John	Chr	ist Our Light					
6.00 pm	Michael Maher Bernadette Bell Betty Casey Frank Riordan Siobhan Riordan Pauline Quane	7:30 pm 11:00 am	Geraldine Lynch Charlie Vaughan Joan Stephenson Bernie Bowen Neil Jeffers	PARISH CLERGY Priest on Duty Fr. George O'Mahony P.P. Fr. Michael O'Mahony C.C. Fr. Billy O'Sullivan C.C. Fr. James McSweeney		GY 087-2479140 021-4871206 021-4877161 021-4876171 021-4873308		
8:30 am	Mary Buckley Theresa Lucey Triona Collins Anne Cahill		Eileen O'Donoghue Bridie Hanrahan Catherine Moran Hugh Moran	Ennismore Retreat Centre - St Dominic's Easter Triduum 21st - 24th April Journeying with Jesus through death and resurrection - Retreat Team Sacred Dance - 15th May - Sunday Dance and meditation can help bring about a deeper harmony of heart, body, mind and spirit. No previous dance experience required. Come! Enjoy! Be Surprised!				
10.00 AIII	Pat Lee Cathy Horgan John O'Donovan Betty Flavin Anne Spillane	12:30 pm	Denis O' Mahony Christine O'Mahony Tom Murray John O'Regan Gerard Dunne					
12 Noon	Helen Plunkett Seamus O'Donovan Joe Coghlan Catherine Greene Joan Barrett Dymphna Canny	5:30 pm	Bernard Curran John Canty	Facilitator: Barbara Perry chf. Barbara holds a Diploma from the Institute for Dance Meditation/Sacred Dance in Germany. She leads regular dancing circles in Ireland, and has given work-shops in the U.K. and U.S.A. Cost 40 Euro including lunch. Booking Essential Tel. 021 - 4502520 or e-mail ennismore@eircom.net				

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

UCC Security and Community Policing, Barrack Street are delighted to once again present their annual charity concert, "A Summer's Evening on the Quad", which this year, raises funds for The Hope Foundation and Bee for Battens. This intimate concert, now in its 6^{th} year takes place on **Friday 10th June** in UCC.

The spectacular surroundings of UCC's Main Quad provide the perfect setting for this very special, outdoor, allseated concert, which boasts an exciting line-up of performers including Ireland's Premier Operatic Soprano, **Cara O'Sullivan** and **Peter Corry**, along with The Band of the Garda Siochána and musical director David Munro.

The Hope Foundation is one of the beneficiaries of this year's event, and funds raised will go towards helping the street and slum children of Calcutta, improving their quality of life, and giving them a brighter future. Currently funding over 60 projects, HOPE reaches out to the most forgotten; offering protection, healthcare, nutrition, education, rehabilitation and a family for life; and to date has reached out to almost 25,000 children through education alone and hundreds of thousands more through primary healthcare, in partnership with Irish Aid.

Tickets are just €30 for this very special evening and are available now from The Hope Foundation on (021) 4292990 or office@hopefoundation.ie.