

THE BALLINCOLLIG PARISHIONER

Sunday 14-October-2012



St. Mary & St. John
Station Road

Twenty Eighth Sunday In Ordinary Time

He who seeks wisdom and eternal life, is reminded, that no earthly value can be compared to them. We may agree that all gold is but a little sand before the realities of God, but are we able to follow through this image with the reality of our living? Are we really ready, to sell what ever we have and give it to the poor, so as to follow Christ?



Christ Our Light
Innishmore

Brother Roger of Taize

This week I have pleasure to write of a second great spiritual figure of the twentieth century that is Brother Roger of Taize. During recent years many young people from Ballincollig parish travelled to Taize and experienced the spiritual legacy of Brother Roger and the simple living of his community of bothers. Roger was born on May 12th 1915 in Provence a French speaking mountain village in Switzerland. He grew up in a family of nine children that were encouraged "to have confidence in themselves".

At sixteen Roger developed Tuberculosis (T B) "when death seemed close, I sensed that, even more than the body, it is the depths of self that are in need of healing. And our hearts are healed above all by a humble trust in God." Roger had an experience of doubt during these years. He wrote "what I doubted was that it was possible to live in communion with God, to have a relationship with him. I felt as if I could no longer pray. During the summer of 1937 his sister Lily fell seriously ill, the words of psalm 27 came to his mind: "It is your face, lord, that I seek, "the first prayer he was able to utter for a long time.

Community life began in 1942 with three men Roger met in Geneva, they lived in a small flat near the cathedral, and soon they went to the cathedral each morning for Morning Prayer, his sister Genevieve played the organ. She spoke of her surprise at the number of young people that came to take part in Morning Prayer.

Roger and his three companions returned to Taize in 1944. Taize is a remote little village about ten miles from Cluny. In 1949, the first seven brothers of the community committed themselves for their entire existence to community life, to celibacy and to a great simplicity of life. The new community welcomed young people from the start. At first they came in one's and two's, with the commencement of the Second Vatican council the young people came to Taize in great numbers." On some summer evenings in Taize, under a sky laden with stars, we can hear the young people. They search, they pray. Those who come discover that in simplicity, everything will become possible. -

Padraig O'Donoghue

Thought for Today

We live in a time when material possessions are easy to accumulate. Their quality and inventory may vary from family to family, but it's safe to say that most of us own more, wear more, drive more, and eat more than we need for survival. From time to time, it's good for parents to take stock of the things surrounding them and notice what it is we hold on to. Why do we hold on and would it be better to let go of some things? Sometimes our possessions can make us slaves to them.

PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL

Priest

Let us turn to God for the wisdom and grace we need to use the things of this world in a way that will help us to gain eternal life.

Reader

For the disciples of Jesus: that the faith they profess with their words may be borne out in their lives.

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

For government leaders: that they may work to ensure that all of God's children can live in dignity.

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

For all gathered here: that we may not allow the love of wealth and the comfort to stifle the spiritual side of ourselves.

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

For each other: that we may make whatever sacrifice is necessary in order to become authentic Christians.

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

For people who have been blessed with wealth, that they may never forget the poor people on their doorstep.

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

For a moment, we remember in silence our own particular needs.

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

Priest

Lord, help us to see you more clearly, to follow you more nearly, and to love you more dearly, so that under your gentle urging we may make steady progress along the road that leads to your kingdom. We make this and all our prayers through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Fill us with your love that we may rejoice.

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BAPTISMS

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

Darragh Patrick Aherne, The Crescent.
 Nessa Mairead Fitzgerald, Lisheen Fields.
 Oliver William Lynch, An Caislean.
 Reuben Kevin Lynch, An Caislean.
 Vivian Loretto O'Connor, Coolroe Heights.
 Jay Diarmuid McCoy, The Cloisters.
 Filip Rulikowski, Coopers Grange, Old Quarter.
 Aoife Carey, Glincool Gardens.
 Kien Thomas Doyle, Mossgrove, Classes Lake.
 Olivia Bridget Gordon, Ovens.

† IN SYMPATHY †

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

Nicola Bradley, Classis Lake.
 Joseph Murphy, Greenmount.
 Patrick Barry, Rosewood.
 Christine Fisher, Texas.
 Sam Cooke, Blarney Street.

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

James Dillon, Sunday's Well.
 Mary Teresa Kelleher, Inniscarra.
 Gerard Murphy, Westcliffe.
 Mary O'Sullivan, Glenleigh.
 Kathleen Allen, Rosewood.
 Michael Barry Murphy, Glengariff.
 John & Peg Quinn, Ballyfeard.
 John Forde, Curraheen.
 Phil & Olive Doyle, Greenwood.
 Jack Foley, Waterfall.
 Jim Kavanagh, Powdermills.
 Elizabeth McEvoy, Model Farm Road.
 Jim Deasy, Rosewood.
 Margaret & Mary O'Leary, Curraheen.
 Mary O'Sullivan, Carriganarra.
 Teresa Canning, Church View.

CURA

Need to Talk?

We are there 6 days a week.

Unplanned pregnancy can be hard to take. Also when baby is born coping can be difficult. We are there to listen and support you.

Call CURA at 021 427 7544

Pieta House,

SUICIDE CRISIS CENTRE, SELF-HARM CRISIS CENTRE is holding a public meeting on Thursday October 18th at 8.00 pm in the Imperial Hotel, Cork . This is an information meeting to discuss the proposed opening of the Pieta House Service in Bishopstown, Cork . For more information check out www.pieta.ie or call 01 6282111 or 061 484444

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Twenty Eight Week In Ordinary Time

14 Sunday Wis 7:7-11. Ps89. Heb 4:12-13. Mk 10:17-30. Lect I: 810
 15 Monday Gal 4:22-24, 26-27, 31-5:1. Ps 112. Lk 11:29-32. Lect II: 814
 16 Tuesday Gal 5:1-6. Ps 118. Lk 11:37-41. Lect II: 816
 17 Wednesday Gal. 5:18-25. Ps. 1. Lk. 11 :42-46. Lect II: 817
 18 Thursday 2 Tim 4:10-17. Ps 144. Lk 10:1-9. Lect II: 1233
 19 Friday Eph 1:11-14. Ps 32. Lk 12:1-7. Lect II: 822
 20 Saturday Eph 1:15-23. Ps8. Lk 12:8-12. Lect II: 824

Next Sunday's Readings 21-October-2012

Is 53:10-11. Ps 32:4-5, 18-20, 22, R/v 22, Heb 4:14-16. Mk 10:42-45. Lect I: 814



The Praying Hands

Two brothers dreamed of going to art school. Their father couldn't afford to send them so, in love, they agreed a plan: one would go while the other would support him; then they would change places. It all came down to the toss of a coin as to who would go first. Albrecht Durer (1471-1528) won, and went to the Academy in Nuremberg.

To fulfil his part of the bargain, Albert went down into the nearby mines and worked to finance his brother's study. Meanwhile Albrecht quickly impressed his teachers. His etchings, his woodcuts and his paintings were a sensation and, even by the time he graduated, he had established his reputation.

Faithful to his promise, Albrecht returned home to remind his beloved brother that it was now his turn to fulfil his ambition and that he, Albrecht, would support him. In tears, however, Albert told his brother that it was now too late for him: four years of toil in the mines had so badly damaged his hands that he could never be an artist.

To honour Albert for all that he had sacrificed on his behalf, Albrecht drew his brother's damaged hands with palms together and thin fingers stretched heavenward. He called his drawing simply Hands, but his great masterpiece, his tribute of love, would become known as **The Praying Hands**.

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THE SUNDAY READINGS

First Reading: Wisdom 7:7-11

Each of us needs prudence, maturity, sound judgment -- such things are more valuable than gold or silver -- such things are wisdom, a gift from God.

Second Reading: Hebrews 4:12-13

A two-edged sword cuts both ways; it is doubly sharp. In the same way, the Bible has the power of God. A good Catholic studies the Word of God, cherishes the Word of God, and lives by the Word of God.

Gospel: Mark 10:17-30

What must I do to inherit eternal life? Man of desires, he expresses the deep-rooted desire for life. Man without a name he could be any one of us. His seeking for life inevitably brings him to the question about God. "No one is good but God alone." To recall this truth is, for Jesus, a way of getting to the heart of the matter.

Muskerry Local History Society

Lecture on October 16th.

There will be a talk by Donal O'Flynn on

The Cork to Macroom Railway, 1866 - 1953.

The lecture will take place in the Ballincollig Rugby Club (Tanner Park) Clubhouse at 8.00 pm.

Overeaters Anonymous

May have a solution for you.

We are a fellowship of individuals who, through shared experience, strength and hope, are recovering from compulsive overeating, weight obsession, bulimia and anorexia.

**Open Public meeting Friday 19th October, 2012 8 pm
At The Metrople Hotel, Cork**

St. Mark's Gospel

Why are the scriptures so important? How do we live the message **we** find in the **gospel**? We need your help in grappling with the questions raised in the gospel of **St. Mark** which we will be praying and reflecting on between now and Christmas. **Join** us with Father Pdraig in **exploring** how **we** bring Jesus into our lives.

We meet every Wednesday evening for 1 hour at the new Parish Centre, Sonas, Station Road, (across from the Community Hall) at 8 pm.

Looking forward to seeing you.

Everybody welcome.

A Special Enriching Weekend

Give your husband or wife a special gift of an enriching weekend away with you on the 9th-11th November 2012 in the Lake Hotel Killarney. A weekend with a difference, that will help deepen your commitment to one another, enrich the joys you share together, whether you are recently or many years married.

For details visit: www.marriageencounter.ie or phone 064- 6644319 & 087-6670418

An Invitation to Remember...

A Service of Remembrance will be held by Cork University Maternity Hospital on today Sunday 14th October at 4 pm in Sacred Heart Church, Western Road.

All who have experienced pregnancy or infant loss are welcome to attend

Bulletin Board

Baptism Preparation

The next Baptism preparation will take place on **Saturday October 20th 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.

Children's Choir

Next Children's Choir will be at the 11.00 am Mass on Sunday 21st October in Christ Our Light. A practice will take place on Saturday 20th October at 3.30 pm in Christ Our Light.

Autumn Dues

Envelopes are currently being distributed to homes throughout the parish of Ballincollig; contribution of the dues is for the support of the priests of the parish. Please return it by placing it in the basket at Mass. Should your home be missed spare envelopes are available from the back of the church.

Mission Sunday

Collection for the Propagation of the faith will be taken up at all Masses next week end 20th & 21st October, 2012.

Dates for your Diary

Novena for the dead: 2nd - 10th November both churches
Mass for the recently deceased: Monday 12th November at 8.00 pm in Church of St Mary & St John

Mass in St Oliver's Cemetery: Saturday 3rd November at 2 pm

Mass in St Mary's & St John's Cemetery: Saturday 10th November at 12 noon

Advent Retreat - 3rd 4th & 5th December.

Fr. George.

Chocolate Bars Sale

The sale of Chocolate Bars for Hope Foundation last Sunday, raised a total of €435. Your support is greatly appreciated and will make an immense difference in helping many children in Calcutta.

The Cork Branch of Diabetes Ireland

Will hold their AGM and Public Education Meeting in The Montenotte Hotel, Montenotte, Cork on Sunday 21st October, 2012. The AGM will take place at 2.00 pm and will be followed by a Public Education meeting at 3 pm.

Our guest speaker this year will be Dr Eoin O Sullivan Consultant Endocrinologist, Bon Secours Hospital, Cork. Dr O Sullivan will do a presentation on "My Medication list - why am I on them and are they working for me?"

Ms Alexandra Ryan, Senior Community Podiatrist, Diabetes Ireland, attached to Grattan Street Health Centre, will give advice on looking after your feet through the Winter.

MINISTERS OF THE WORD

Oct-20 & Oct-21-2012

St. Mary & St. John

Christ Our Light

6:00 pm (Vigil)
Aine Sheehan
Mark Prendergast
8:30 am
Tom McDonagh

10:00 am
Jordan Crowley
Fearghal Monahan
12:00 Noon
Tony Lynch
Evan Keating / Shane Tully

7:30 pm (Vigil)
Jessica Lingard
Morgan Smith
11:00 am
Chidera Ebili
Kristian Calvert
12:30 pm
Kay Carew
Jane O'Leary
5:30 pm
Tom Reck

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

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Wednesday

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Thursday

8:30 am

9:30 am

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
Except First Saturday of Month

Saturday

4:30 pm
First Saturday of Month

12:45 pm

Sunday

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**ST Dominic's Retreat Centre
Coping with Loss**

Day of healing for the bereaved with Patrick Sheehan
10th November Time: 10.30 - 4.30 p.m.
Cost: €40 (includes lunch)

Prayer Course

A six week prayer course beginning
on Tuesday November 6th with Fr. Frank Downes OP
Time: 7.30 p.m. Cost: €10 p

MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST

Oct-20 & Oct-21-2012



St. Mary & St. John

Christ Our Light

6.00 pm Eileen Murphy
Ted Nelligan
Eileen Corkery
Maurice Bunyan
Sheila Walshe
Ann McCarthy

7:30 pm John O'Donoghue
Mary Dineen
Kathleen Daly
Mairead Keenan
Kay O'Sullivan

8:30 am Helen Kelly
Mary O'Connor
Michael Crowley

11:00 am Mary O'Mahony
Mona Bowen
Billy Barry
Mary Aylward
Pauline Baston

10:00 am Fionnuala McDonagh
Mary Buckley
Fiona Kelly
Mary O'Regan
Teresa O'Driscoll
Martin O'Leary

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

12 Noon Ann-Marie Cosgrove
Phil Kennedy
Ellen O'Sullivan
Ursula McAuliffe
Sally Crowley

5:30 pm Shelia Curran
Elizabeth O'Sullivan

**What is Carbon Monoxide (CO) - Extract from Awareness Week 2012
What to Do?**

If anyone in your house has any of the symptoms outlined above get fresh air immediately, then go to your doctor and ask him/her to check for Carbon Monoxide poisoning. Stop using the appliance immediately and do not use it again until it has been checked by a registered installer or a qualified service agent.

The amount of CO which the blood absorbs depends chiefly on two things: how much CO is in the air and the time of the exposure. Adverse effects of CO on humans are reduced by periods of breathing fresh air. The degree of recovery depends on the number and length of those periods. The general state of health and degree of physical activity of a person exposed to CO are other factors involved in the effects of Carbon Monoxide on the body

If you or your family experience symptoms and you believe CO may be involved you should seek urgent medical advice. Inform your doctor of your concerns. CO will leave the blood when you go out into the fresh air and tests for CO may be inaccurate if taken hours after the exposure has ceased.

Again, if you find a person ill or unconscious near any fuel burning appliance, be careful in case you also become a casualty. Get fresh air immediately by opening windows and doors.