

THE BALLINCOLLIG PARISHIONER



St. Mary & St. John
Station Road

Sunday 14-April-2013

Third Sunday of Easter

Peter, who denied the Lord three times, three times, affirms his love. He learns that his share in the Lord's care for his people will one day bring him to the martyrdom of death - the early Church was founded on those who joyfully bore witness with their lives.



Christ Our Light
Innishmore

Peter's Denial

People say of Stalin, when someone made a mistake it was like handling a detonator - - it was the last one you made. We too can write people off because of one bad experience. But which of us wants to be judged on a single moment of our lives?

The events of Holy Thursday shone a light on Peter and he was found wanting. He came across as a weak, cowardly and unreliable character. People like Peter rarely get a second chance; we could expect Christ not to have much confidence in him. Peter was the captain of the team and his example was terrible for the others.

So did Jesus write him off or did he demote Peter?. Today's Gospel tells us that there were no recriminations. Peter's denial of Christ seems to have been a spur of the moment decision without much thought, more the result of weakness or panic rather than malice. Jesus seems to know this.

Jesus knew there was another and better side to Peter, strength and weakness can co-exist in the same person. Jesus called Peter forward and publicly asked him "Do you love me" what a strange question. Peter discovered that whatever about his past Jesus trusted him "Feed my lambs".

Lesson here for us, may we discover that Jesus also trusts us and depends upon us.

George O'Mahony

Reflection for Parents

As parents we know a great deal about caring for sheep in the flock. We work long, hard, and diligently to make sure that our children receive the physical, emotional, and spiritual care they require. We are challenged by this Gospel reading to move outside our immediate "flock" and care for all of God's children. Our own children will learn the essence of this Gospel when they see us reconcile with others and go outside our small worlds to help others. Today, as we continue to celebrate Easter, we praise the God of our ancestors who raised up Jesus. We worship the lamb who deserves praise, honour, glory and power for ever and ever.

PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL

Priest

Let us pray to God, who through the resurrection of his Son, strengthens us in hope and love.

Reader

That the Church leaders may be devoted to the welfare of their brothers and sisters in the community.

Lord, Hear us,

Lord, graciously hear us.

That the Lord may direct and bless the work of his disciples today just as, under the direction of Jesus, the disciples made a great catch of fish.

Lord, Hear us,

Lord, graciously hear us.

That the Lord may direct and bless the word of our political and civil leaders.

Lord, Hear us,

Lord, graciously hear us.

That we may find joy in serving others, remembering that the Lord prepared food for his apostles.

Lord, Hear us,

Lord, graciously hear us.

That we may be kind and forgiving towards all those who disappoint or fail us, just as the Lord has been kind to us.

Lord, Hear us,

Lord, graciously hear us.

That the Lord may grant our own special needs.

Lord, Hear us,

Lord, graciously hear us.

Priest

Father our source of life, you know our weakness. May we reach out with joy to grasp the hand you extend to us in Christ, so that we may walk more readily in your ways. We ask this through the same Christ our Lord. Amen

I will praise you, Lord, you have rescued me.

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BAPTISMS

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

Judit Jansik, Leslies Arch, Old Quarter
 Patricia Vicario, The Crescent, Old Fort Road.
 Courtney Strickland-Bennett, Oaklands.
 Joshua O'Carroll-Bennett, Oaklands.
 Molly Bernadette Buckley. Oak Avenue.

† IN SYMPATHY †

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

Margaret (Rita) Kelleher, Castlepark.
 Paddy Hegarty, Caheragh.
 Donal Lynch, Ballingearry.
 Terence McSweeney, Ballyvourney.
 Alan Collins, The Crescent/Bishopstown.
 John Cuddihy, Coolroe.
 Phyllis Smith, Wyndham Downs.

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

Frank & Mary Maguire, Wicklow.
 Norma McCarthy, Mahon.
 John Kiely, Westcourt.
 Kitty Dunne, Tralee.
 Con O'Driscoll, Carriganarra.
 Neil & Mary Prenderville, Lower Road.
 Matthew Thomas Jennings, Rosewood.
 Ellen Ryan, Waterfall.
 John Woods, Carriganarra.
 Dan & Alan O'Callaghan, Aherla.
 Con Kelleher, Poulavone.
 Jeremy Lynch, Limeworth.
 John Morrissey, Doneraile.
 Sr. Gemma O'Dwyer, Limerick/Drishane Sisters.
 Peter & Ellen Murphy, Windsor.
 Dr. Sean Crotty, Coolroe.
 Helen Coomey, Carriganarra/Boston.
 Trevor Kelleher, Rosewood.
 Kate Twomey, Macroom.
 John & Bridget Lee, Inniscarra.
 Denis Kiely, Rosewood.

Ballincollig Athletic Club

Regional Park - 5K Run
 In memory of
 Michael O'Donovan
 Today Sunday April 14th 11:15 am Start
 Runners aged 16 years and over
 Visit www.ballincolligathleticclub.com for details

Volunteers Needed

The Irish Cancer Society's Care to Drive service is currently recruiting volunteers to drive local patients to and from their chemotherapy treatments in CUH, the Mercy and Kerry General hospitals. We are looking for volunteers from north, south & east Cork & Kerry to pick patients up at their homes, drive them to the hospital and bring them home again after treatment. The service is free to the patients and driver's expenses are paid. If you are interested in volunteering, please telephone Gail on 01 2310 566 or email transport@irishcancer.ie

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Third Week In Ordinary Time

14 Sunday Acts 5:27-32,40-41. Ps. 29:2, 4-6. Apoc. 5:11-14. Jn. 21: 1-19. Lect I: 468
 15 Monday Acts 6:8-15. Ps. 118. Jn. 6:22-29. Lect I: 472
 16 Tuesday Acts 7:51-8: 1. Ps. 30. Jn. 6:30-35. Lect I: 474
 17 Wednesday Acts 8: 1-8. Ps. 65. Jn. 6:35-40. Lect I: 476
 18 Thursday Acts 8:26-40. Ps. 65. Jn. 6:44-51 Lect I: 479
 19 Friday Acts 9: 1-20. Ps. 116. Jn. 6:52-59. Lect I: 481
 20 Saturday Acts 9:31-42. Ps. 115. Jn. 6:60-69. Lect I: 484

Next Sunday's Readings 21-April-2013

Acts 13:14, 43-52. Ps. 99. Apoc. 1:9, 14-17, Jn. 10:27-30. Lect I: 493

Senior Help Line

A Third Age programme, is a national confidential telephone listening service for older people provided by trained older volunteers for the price of a local call anywhere in Ireland, **LoCall 1850 440 444**. Would you be interested in taking part in a walking tour of the Camino de Santiago to raise funds for this valuable Third Age service. If so contact Neil at nbruton@thirdageireland.ie or 0834260081

Alpha Course Ballincollig

Colaiste Choilm (Wooden Cabin)
 Continues every Wednesday

Contact info:-

Gerard Dunne Telephone: 085 1555000 or 087 6293601

Email: AlphaBallincollig@gmail.com

For more info see www.alphacourse.ie.

SHEP

The Social & Health Education Project is running six courses from April to June – Health & Wellbeing for Older Adults, Effective Communication, Personal Development, Men's Health & Wellbeing, Caring for Our Wellbeing and a Course for Men who are Unemployed. For information phone 021 4666180.

Experienced Caregivers Required

Home Instead Senior Care is looking for reliable, flexible Caregivers for the elderly in their own homes in the Ballincollig area. Fetac level 5 (or in process of completing) is desirable and own transport is essential. Please call 021 500 2205 Email CV to cork@hisc.ie

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THE SUNDAY READINGS

First Reading: Acts 5:27-32. 40-41
 Peter and the apostles continue to preach Jesus, even though the High Priest challenges them.

Second Reading: Apoc. 5:11-14
 The risen Jesus is portrayed as Lamb of God enthroned in heaven.

Gospel: John 21:1-19.
 For the third time since his resurrection, Jesus appeared to the disciples. It seems that the disciples had returned to their former lives--those they had lived before they left to follow Jesus--because they were fishing in the Sea of Galilee. Jesus stood on the shore and called out to the men in the boat asking if they had caught anything. The disciples replied that they had caught nothing. Jesus then instructed them to cast their net on the right side of the boat. When they did, they had a huge catch of 153 fish. They knew from this sign that it was Jesus on the shore. When they came ashore, Jesus cooked their breakfast of fish. When they finished eating, Jesus asked Peter three times if Peter loved him. This was a great example of reconciliation because the opportunities for Peter to affirm his love of Jesus matched the same number of times he denied knowing him. It was then that Jesus commissioned Peter to care for the sheep in Jesus' flock.

Recipe for Living

*Life may not be a piece of cake
 When we haven't the dough to rise!
 But it will never be as flat as a pancake,
 If we remember to add a spoonful of sugar
 to sweeten our desserts*

"Mothers' Prayers"

Continue

Every Wednesday @ 10.30 a.m
Meeting Room at Christ our Light Church

Every Thursday @ 10.00 a.m
Parish house - 'Sonas' - Station Road
(almost opposite Parish Community Hall)

We welcome all Mothers, Grandmothers, God-mothers to join us in prayer for our children and the youth of our parish on one of these mornings.

Ballincollig Parish

Bereavement Support Group

A Bereavement Support Programme has commenced in Ballincollig and will continue each Tuesday from 7.30 to 9.30 pm. It is held in a small group setting and is open to anyone who is experiencing the grief and loss of a loved one. It also provides the opportunity to share one's own personal grief and experience the support of others in a confidential setting. For further details please contact:
Sr Colette at 086.3557375

Bulletin Board

Confirmation

Congratulations to the girls and boys who received the sacrament of Confirmation in Scoil Barra and Our Lady of Good Counsel. Sincere thanks to the parents and dedicated teachers who work diligently preparing young people for the sacrament.

Next Confirmation – Scoil Eoin
Thursday 18th April, 2013 .

Altar Servers

Volunteers are invited to serve as Altar Servers in both Churches. Please contact any priest, together with parents, or contact parish office Phone: 021 4871206.

Coeliac Host.

Coeliac Host is available at all Masses in both churches. Generally the Priest celebrating the Mass has the Coeliac Host. To help the Celebrant you might please let him know before the Mass.

Trocaire Boxes

Thanks to all who returned their Trocaire Boxes. Please return any outstanding boxes as soon as possible to the schools or to the church; when returned the money will be lodged in the Trocaire Account.

Church Directory 2013

The New Diocese of Cork and Ross Church Directory 2013 is available. It contains Parish Information, Mass times, Priests, Religious, Schools. Copies are available in the Sacristy of both churches and Parish office. Price €5.

Special Collection for Diocesan Needs.

The next collection for Diocesan needs will be taken up at all Masses next this week end Sat & Sun 13th & 14th April.

Spring Dues

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

Fr. George

Croí na Gaeilge

Is holding a Leaving Certificate Honours Irish Intensive 4-Hour Preparation Course for the written exam (worth 50% of total exam marks) on Sunday April 28th from 2-6 pm. Course given by an Experienced Teacher / Exam Corrector and open to all 5th and 6th Year students in Ballincollig and surrounding areas. All Topics Will Be Covered (including poetry, próis, general essay phrases, comprehension, and grammar). Early Booking Is Advisable - (Tel. 085 1541560)

Come and See

The Sisters of the Sacred Hearts of Jesus and Mary are holding 'Come and See' days in May for single women. If you would like to explore your vocation with us, then please book one of the following dates: May 11th; 12th; 18th; 19th; 25th or 26th, by contacting Sr Una by email at unashjm@aol.com. Venue is in Sacred Heart Convent, Blackrock, Cork. 9am - 5pm.

MINISTERS OF THE WORD

Apr-20 & Apr-21-2013

St. Mary & St. John Christ Our Light

6:00 pm (Vigil)
Sandra Walsh
Brian Hennessy
8:30 am
Pat Fennell

10:00 am
Jordan Crowley
Fergal Monahan
12:00 Noon
Sean Hennessy
Shane Lehane

7:30 pm (Vigil)
Fiona Feely

11:00 am
Jack Dorgan
Harry O'Brien
12:30 pm
Kay Carew
Jane O'Leary
5:30 pm
Siobhan Keane-Hopcraft

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	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	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	087-2479140
Fr. George O'Mahony P.P.	021-4871206
Fr. Dave O'Connell C.C.	087-2479140
Fr. James McSweeney	021-4873308

Social / Coffee Mornings

Continue every Friday morning in parish house "Sonas" on Station Road at 10 am.
Everyone welcome as it is an ideal opportunity to get and know people from our community.

Knock

Legion of Mary Annual Pilgrimage will take place on Sunday 26th May 2013. Bus leaving village at 7.00 am sharp. Early booking advised. For details contact; Sally (021) 4870954 or Cathleen (021) 4874730.



MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST

Apr-20 & Apr-21-2013

St. Mary & St. John Christ Our Light

6.00 pm Michael Maher
Bernadette Bell
Betty Casey
Frank Riordan
Siobhan Riordan
Pauline Quane

8:30 am Mary Buckley
Theresa Lucey
Triona Collins

10:00 am Anne Cahill
Cathy Horgan
Claudine Tiendioh
Betty Flavin
Anne Spillane
Betty Sheehan

12 Noon Helen Plunkett
Seamus O'Donovan
Eleanor Knowles
Catherine Greene
Joan Barrett

7:30 pm Geraldine Lynch
Charlie Vaughan
Joan Stephenson
Bernie Bowen

11:00 am Neil Jeffers
Eileen O'Donoghue
Bridie Hanrahan
Catherine / Hugh Moran
Padraig Fleming

12:30 pm Denis O' Mahony
Christine O'Mahony
Tom Murray
John O'Regan
Gerard Dunne

5:30 pm Bernard Curran
John Canty

Are You Unemployed Due To Illness, Injury Or Disability?

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021 4341028 (Model Farm Road)
or 021 300144 (Hollyhill)

Dyslexia Association of Ireland

Transition from Primary to Secondary School

The Education Sub-Committee has organised an **Information Meeting on Transition from Primary to Secondary School with a focus on Students with Dyslexia** to be held in **Bishopstown Community School on Monday 22nd April, 2013 at 7.30 pm.**

Guest Speaker is Ms. Teresa Connolly, Guidance Counsellor.
Admission €10.00.

Parents, Teachers, Students - All welcome.

Troubled by someone else's drinking?

Try Al-anon. Local Meetings S V de P Centre Station Road
Thursdays 8.30 pm. Phone: 021 4311899.