

# THE BALLINCOLLIG PARISHIONER

Sunday 27-October-2013



St. Mary & St. John  
Station Road

## Thirtieth Sunday In Ordinary Time

*The Pharisees fault was not gratitude for doing good hut contempt for those less successful, a lack of humility before the grace of God. Paul too could 'boast' and give thanks that he had kept the faith, but he recognised that this had not been simply his own doing but because 'the Lord stood by me.' We too should thank God for any good we have been able to do. It is with his help that we do it, and it gives us no grounds for complacency or a sense of superiority.*



Christ Our Light  
Innishmore

### God's Forgiveness

We come to prayer for many reasons. Most often we pray because we have something to ask from God. We want healing, a solution to our problems, or an answer to some petition. At other times we come to prayer with the awareness that we are in need of God's forgiveness. It is this self-awareness and humble prayer we hear from the tax collector in today's Gospel: "God, be merciful to me, a sinner." How different it is to the prayer of the Pharisee who stands before God, speaking proudly of himself, thanking God that he is not like everyone else and especially not like the tax collector. Whereas, the tax collector, who acknowledged his sinfulness and asked God's forgiveness, went home justified in the eyes of God. Not so the Pharisee. Jesus tells us: "Everyone who exalts himself will be humbled, and he who humbles himself will be exalted." It can be so easy to see only the externals and judge others negatively. We are all sinners. At the beginning of Mass we begin our prayer like the tax collector. We call to mind our sins, faults, and failings and ask the Lord for pardon and strength. We are saved not because of our own merit but because of God's mercy and forgiveness.

This coming Friday, we celebrate the Feast of All Saints, not just the canonized, but all people who have been faithful witnesses to the love of God during their life. We trust that our loved ones, relations and friends are among those who are now enjoying the glory and happiness of being face to face with God. Let us reflect on all those who have inspired us throughout their life and who have been examples to us of what it means to be a Christian. We thank God for the gift of their lives. On Saturday, we commemorate all who have died. In the Preface for Christian death, we pray: 'Lord, for your faithful people, life is changed, not ended'. For the Christian, death is a door opening to admit his or her soul into eternal life. As we celebrate the sacred memory of all those dear to us, we pray for their eternal joy and peace. "God, our creator and redeemer, by your power Christ conquered death and returned to you in glory. May all our loved ones who have gone before us in faith share his victory and enjoy the vision of your glory for ever."

*Sr. Colette*

### Reflection for Parents

We are very important in the lives of our children, but do we allow them to see us walk humbly with God? Do we allow them to see us on our knees and hear us admit our weaknesses to God? Consider how you might represent the tax collector to your children. How might they see you like this Pharisee?

### PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL

#### Priest

With humble but trustful hearts, let us pray to God, for own needs and the needs of the church and world.

#### Reader

That our Churches may be placed where sinners can experience healing mercy of God.

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

For all those in authority: that they may have the humility to acknowledge their mistakes, and the courage to correct them.

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

For tax-collectors and all those who do unpopular but necessary jobs.

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

For the grace never to look down on others or belittle their dignity.

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

For grace always to strive to come before God exactly as we are, with our virtues and sins, our failures and successes.

**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 give us the humility not to hide our weakness, the wisdom to learn from our mistakes, and in facing life's difficulties, let us know that your grace will be sufficient for us. We make this pray through Christ our Lord.

*This Poor Man Called; The Lord Heard Him.*

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**BAPTISMS**

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

Conor Ruogu O’Cathain, New Jersey.  
 Kyle Anthony Rodgers, Cois Na Cora, Powdermills.  
 Rian Jeremiah Twomey, Mulgannon, Wexford.  
 Ben John Henry O’Connor, Lisheen Fields, Ovens.

**† IN SYMPATHY †**

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

Dr. Michael O’Shea, Raheen.  
 Kevin O’Regan, Ballincollig & Cape Cod.  
 Sarah Ferriter, Carrigrohane.  
 Denis McCarthy, Coolroe Meadows.  
 Jimmy McCarthy, Kilbrittain.

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

John & Eugene Cremin, Collyduff.  
 Larry Greene, West Village.  
 Pdraig O’Callaghan, Oaklee.  
 Pat Byrne, Westcourt Heights.  
 Joe Sheehan, Bandon.  
 Pat & Ellen Murphy, Windsor.  
 Danny Quill, Coolea.  
 Lillian O’Donovan, Inniscarra.  
 Daniel Collins, Ovens & Westgate.  
 Billy Holmes, Ballincollig & Kerry Pike.  
 Eleanor, Donal & Neil O’Halloran, Castlepark.  
 Josephine & Frank Joyce, Galway.  
 Donie & Nancy McCarthy, Coachford.  
 Pat McGrath, Glasheen Road.  
 Marie O’Flaherty, Coolroe Meadows.  
 Denis, Margaret & Maura O’Sullivan, Maglin.  
 Michael & Hannah Dineen, Kanturk.  
 Mary Downey, The Lough.  
 Dec. members of the Ring family, Dungourney & Dunmanway.  
 Cathal Keohane, Rosewood.  
 Patrick & Joan O’Keeffe, Bantry.  
 Peggy, John & Ellen O’Sullivan, Poulavone.  
 Charles Julia & Sean Dunne, Muskerry Estate.

**Wisdom Literature in Hebrew Scriptures.**

A public Workshop with Dr. Jessie Rogers,  
 Mary Immaculate College, Limerick,  
 will take place on

**Saturday November 16<sup>th</sup> 10.00am – 1.30pm**  
**Sacred Heart Parish Centre Western Road.**

Details and Booking -

Anne Frances [abfrancis@eircom.net](mailto:abfrancis@eircom.net) Phone 087 2272134  
 Cost - €5

**READINGS FOR THE WEEK**

Thirtieth Week In Ordinary Time

27 Sunday Eccles (Sir) 35: 12-14, 16-19. Ps 32. 2 Tim 4:6-8, 16-18. Lk 18:9-14.  
 Lect I: 925  
 28 Monday Eph. 2:19-22. Ps. 18. Lk. 6:12-19. Lect II: 1242  
 29 Tuesday Rom 8:18-25. Ps 125. Lk 13:18-27. Lect II: 390  
 30 Wednesday Rom 8:26-30. Ps 12. Lk 13:22-30. Lect II: 392  
 31 Thursday Rom. 8:31-39. Ps. 108. Lk. 13:31-35. Lect II: 394  
 01 Friday Apoc 7:2-4, 9-14. Ps 23. 1 Jn 3:1-3. Mt 5:1-12. Lect I: 999 or II: 1244  
 02 Saturday Is 25:6-9. Ps 26. Rom 5:5-11. Mt 11:25-30. Lect I: 1002

**Next Sunday’s Readings 03/November/2013**

Wis. 11 :22-12:2. Ps. 144. 2 Thess. 1 : 11-2:2. Lk. 19:1-10. Lect I: 928

**“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, Godmothers to join us in prayer for our children and the youth of our parish on one of these mornings.

**A Special Enriching Weekend**

Celebrate your years of Marriage in the Lake Hotel, Killarney, Co. Kerry on the 15th - 17th November, 2013

A weekend of discovery A lifetime of love.

Real quality time Fulfilment Joy

For booking or more information: Ring 064 6644319/087 6670418, or visit [www.marriageencounter.ie](http://www.marriageencounter.ie)

**Music Morning**

Musical morning in the Ballincollig Library from 11am on Tuesday 29th October, 2013. This month’s musical choice will be presented by

Peter O’Regan from the Macroom Gramophone Circle.  
 Admission free. All are welcome. Cuppa will be served

**Bake Sale**

Bake Sale in aid of children in Calcutta, India after  
 11.00am Mass in Christ Our Light  
 on Sunday 3rd November.

**CROWLEY**

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**THE SUNDAY READINGS**

First Reading: Sirach 35:12-14, 16-19  
 God does not listen only to the powerful. If someone prays humbly and sincerely, God listens, and God acts.

Second Reading: 2 Timothy 4:6-8, 16-18  
 Paul says he has kept the faith and God stood by him. The conclusion to his life will be a crown of glory in heaven. That same promise is ours.

Gospel: Luke 18:9-14  
 From time to time our children live in a "me first world," but Jesus wasn't too impressed with the self-centeredness of the Pharisee in today's Gospel. The Pharisee was quite certain that he was a good and righteous man—better than most. For sure, he was better than the tax collector. But as Jesus often did in his teachings, he turned society's ideas upside down. It was really the humble tax collector recognizing his own sinfulness that Jesus said would be exalted.

**Our Lady of Fatima Rosary Group**

Invite you to join them in their annual procession today Sunday 27th around The Lough in Cork with the Pilgrim Statue of Our Lady of Fatima.

Reciting the rosary, finishing with benediction and enrolment of The Brown Scapular.

This is an annual event in the Church of the Immaculate Conception, The Lough.

Ceremonies begin with divine mercy at approx. 2-30pm (in the church). Procession begins at 3pm.

Please come and join us and Our Lady for this very special day.

**DOCUMENTS of VATICAN II.**

Continuing our series on The Documents of Vatican II Our theme this week is,

**Ecumenism.**

Today in many parts of the world, under the inspiring grace of the holy spirit, many efforts are being made in prayer, word, and action to attain that fullness of unity which Jesus Christ desires. The Sacred Council exhorts all the Catholic faithful to recognise the signs of the times and to take an active and intelligent part in the work of ecumenism.

*Vatican II, Decree on Ecumenism Unitatis Redintegratio, 4.*

**Special Mass**

There will be a Special Mass to remember all our loved ones who died during the past year on **Monday November 11<sup>th</sup> at 8.00pm in St Mary & St John.** All those who died from the Parish will be remembered at this Mass. Families who wish to have deceased family members (who died during the past twelve months) included in this Mass are invited to hand in their names to the Sacristy or Parish Office during the week and please include a contact name, phone number and an address.

*To all our readers and parishioners have an enjoyable and safe weekend.*

**Bulletin Board**

**All Saints Day**

Friday November 1<sup>st</sup> All Saints Day  
 Holy Day of Obligation

**Masses**

**St Mary & St John - Friday November 1<sup>st</sup>**  
 8.30am, 10.00am & 8.00pm

**Christ Our Light**

Vigil Thursday 31<sup>st</sup> October 7.30pm  
 Friday 1<sup>st</sup> November 12.30pm & 6.30pm

**Bank Holiday Monday**

Monday October 28<sup>th</sup>  
 Morning Mass only at 9.30am in St Mary & St John

**First Friday**

Friday November 1<sup>st</sup> is the first Friday of the month. There will be exposition of the Blessed Sacrament in St Mary & St John from 6.30pm to 7.45pm, you are invited to come and spend some time with the Lord. There is Mass in St Mary & St John on Friday evening at 8.00pm. 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

**Novena for the Dead**

**November 2<sup>nd</sup> to 10<sup>th</sup>, 2013**

November is a month dedicated to our dead relatives and friends. It is the time of year when we are asked to pray for our dead and thank God for their efforts and goodness to us. Christ's prayer to his Father is "I want those you have given me to be with me where I am, so that they may always see the glory you have given me."

We encourage everyone to make a special effort to come to daily Mass during the Novena for the Dead and may be even keep up the effort for the month of November.

**There will be evening Mass (morning Masses as usual) in both Churches during the Novena- 6.30pm Christ Our Light and 8pm St Mary & St John.**

**Cemetery Masses**

Mass in St Oliver's Cemetery Saturday November 2<sup>nd</sup> at 2pm

Mass in St Mary's & St John Cemetery November 9<sup>th</sup> at 12 noon.

Blessing of Graves St James Cemetery, Chetwynd, Togher (Off Bandon Rd) Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> November, at 3.00pm

Fr. George

**Music Workshop**

A Music workshop will take place in Ballinacollig on Saturday 16th November 10.00am to 5.00pm in Ballinacollig Community Centre. The workshop will look at music for Advent & Christmas as well as music for use throughout the liturgical year. The workshop will be led by Ian Callanan a native of Ballinacollig and a team of dedicated music ministers. Booking in advance is necessary, please phone Parish Office on 021 4871206 giving your name and phone no if you wish to attend.

**MINISTERS OF THE WORD**

Nov/02 & Nov/03/2013

**St. Mary & St. John**

**Christ Our Light**

**6:00 pm (Vigil)**  
Muireann Nelligan  
Padraig McAuliffe  
**8:30 am**  
Triona Downey

**10:00 am**  
Lauree Hegarty  
Robert Noonan  
**12:00 Noon**  
Sean Hennessy  
Shane Lehane

**7:30 pm (Vigil)**  
Nonyi Ebili  
Jennifer Nyagaya  
**11:00 am**  
Tomas Buckley  
Alison Henchion  
**12:30 pm**  
Aisling Dore  
Clara Herdman  
**5:30 pm**  
Brian O'Donoghue

**MASS TIMES**

**St. Mary & St. John**

**Christ Our Light**

8:30 am, 10 am & 12 noon	<b>Sunday</b>	11 am, 12:30 pm & 5:30 pm
9:30 am	<b>Monday</b>	No Morning Mass
9:30 am	<b>Tuesday</b>	8:30 am
9:30 am	<b>Wednesday</b>	8:30 am
9:30 am	<b>Thursday</b>	8:30 am & 7:30 pm (Vigil)
8:30 am, 10 am & 8 pm	<b>Friday</b>	12:30 pm & 6:30 pm
10:00 am & 6 pm (Vigil)	<b>Saturday</b>	7:30 pm (Vigil)

**CONFESSIONS**

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

**BAPTISMS**

4:30 pm	<b>Saturday</b>	4:30 pm
Except First Saturday of Month		First Saturday of Month
12:45 pm	<b>Sunday</b>	

**PARISH CLERGY**

Priest on Duty	087-2479140
Fr. George O'Mahony P.P.	021-4871206
Fr. Dave O'Connell C.C.	021-4876171 or frdaveoconnell@gmail.com
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.

**Pet Blessing**

"Animals are such agreeable friends - they ask no questions, they pass no criticisms." wrote the author George Eliot. No wonder our pets are a welcome relief from all the antics people get up to— you can talk to them and they just accept you as you are, and for that they are adorable. The Church of Ireland in the Ballincollig, Carrigrohane, Blarney and Inniscarra area is holding a service of blessing for all pet lovers however small or large their creatures are— within reason! The service is a short thank you to God and is a great way to meet other pet lovers. It takes place on today SUNDAY 27th October, in the Parish Centre, Church Hill, Carrigrohane, at 3.30pm.

**The Alliance of the Two Hearts**

All Night Vigil of Reparation & Adoration on Friday 1st November  
St. Francis Church  
Cork City  
Portiuncula Chapel  
Rosary Starts @ 9pm  
First Friday Mass @ 9.30pm  
First Saturday Mass @ 12.05am  
(Come for all or part of the night)



**MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST**

Nov/02 & Nov/03/2013

**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  
Mary B. Murphy

**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  
Frances Hogan

**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

**Brú Columbanus**

A ladies day will take place in Blarney Golf Resort, Tower on Friday 8th November commencing at 12 noon guests will be treated to a mulled wine reception, sumptuous lunch, stands and entertainment by the wonderful tenor, Ryan Morgan. All proceeds to Brú Columbanus, a charity that provides accommodation to the relatives of seriously ill patients in Cork Hospitals and the Hospice, especially relatives of sick children. Tickets €25 available from Bru Columbanus 021-4345754 or 087 2787074.

**Troubled by someone else's drinking?**

Try Al-anon. Local Meetings S V de P Centre Station Road Thursdays 8.30 pm. Phone: 087 6651707.