

THE BALLINCOLLIG PARISHIONER



St. Mary & St. John
Station Road

Sunday 06-April-2014

Fifth Sunday of Lent

*Jesus as a man like us, wept for Lazarus his friend,
as eternal God he raised Lazarus from the dead, in
his love for us all, Jesus gave us the sacraments to
lift us up to everlasting life.*



Christ Our Light
Innishmore

'I Am the Resurrection and the Life'

In the Gospel we hear the account of Mary and Martha sending a message to Jesus telling Him that their brother Lazarus is ill. However, Jesus doesn't come immediately. When He eventually arrives, Lazarus has already died. Martha and Mary are grieving for their brother and they reproach Jesus saying 'if you had been here, our brother would not have died'. Jesus responds saying: 'I am the Resurrection and the Life, whoever believes in me, even if he dies will live, and everyone who lives and believes in me will never die. Do you believe this?' He then asks to be taken to the place where Lazarus is buried. Jesus tells them to take the stone away from the Tomb. Martha objects as Lazarus has already been in the tomb for four days. Jesus replies: "Have I not told you that if you believe you will see the glory of God?" So they took away the stone. Jesus prays to his Father, after which he says: 'Lazarus come out'. When Lazarus comes out of the tomb, Jesus tells them: "untie him, let him go free."

The same Jesus who raised Lazarus from death is still very much with us today. Reflecting on our own lives, perhaps we can ask, do we find ourselves imprisoned in the darkness of some 'tomb'. Lazarus represents situations in life that humanly we may feel we are unable to free ourselves from. We may feel we are trapped in a dark place - bound hand and foot like Lazarus. Jesus asks us: 'do you believe that I can heal all the brokenness and wounds of your life? He is inviting us to: 'come out of your tomb, do not live in the darkness, do not live in fear, be reconciled with Me'. Jesus leads us out of the darkness of those tombs, from whatever may be blocking our relationship with Him and sets us free to live in the light of his love. He is the one in whom we place our hopes for the future - our hope for eternal life.

We are being called to a deeper faith and trust in Jesus who tells us: "I am the Resurrection and the life; if anyone believes in me, even though he dies he will live, and whoever lives and believes in me will never die." Jesus asks us the same question as he asked Martha: 'Do you believe this?'

Sr. Colette

Reflection for Parents

The healing power of Jesus brings new life to all of us. Are there some things in our lives that cause us to die to others? Perhaps we are impatient, ungrateful, critical, or quick to anger. Maybe we're proud, boastful, or envious. Jesus promises us new life if we trust in him and allow our actions to follow his ways.

Society of St. Vincent De Paul

Easter collection will take place at the doors of the Church on Saturday & Sunday April 5th & Sunday April 6th 2014

PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL

Priest

With confidence we raise up our prayers to the God with whom is mercy and fullness of redemption.

Reader

For the Church: that it may proclaim to all the good news of eternal life won for us by Jesus Christ.

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

For political leaders: that they may facilitate the work of those engaged in caring for and in preserving life.

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

For those who care for the sick and dying.

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

For departed relatives and friends and all those who are grieving because of a death of a loved one.

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

For ourselves: that we may treasure the beautiful but fragile gift of life.

**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 God, through the resurrection of your Son, you have kindled in our hearts the hope of eternal life. Guard this hope with your grace, and bring it to fulfilment in the kingdom of heaven. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen

With the Lord there is mercy and fullness of redemption.

Visit Our Website: www.ballincolligparish.ie

BAPTISMS

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

Aaron David Hayes, Island Way, Muskerry Estate.
 Cian James Murphy, Fern Walk.
 Annabel Rose Holohan, Aylsbury Court.
 Leah Teresa Mary Stack, The Close, Coolroe Meadows.
 Marcel Zapart, Cranford Grove.
 Matthew Joshua Brudnicki, The Square, Highfield Park
 Hailey Jennifer O'Callaghan Botts, Innishmore Grove.
 Breda Mia Marshall Kiely, Tuairin Glas.

† IN SYMPATHY †

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

Stephen Jones, Holly Road.
 Baby Keelin Rose Coomey, Highfield Park.
 Tadgh Murphy, Coolroe.
 Patrick Kerrigan, Greg Road.
 John Brady, Kilnaglory.
 Chito de Leon, Philippines.
 Tesesa McSweeney, Church Hill, Carrigrohane.

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

Myles & Peggy Troy, Thurles.
 John & Hannah Haynes, Greenmount Buildings.
 Eileen Lynch, Carriganarra.
 Tadgh Kearney, Westcourt Heights.
 Pat & Noreen McCarthy, Castlepark.
 Frank Carew, Glasheen.
 Pat & Rita O'Mahony, Bantry.
 Mary Connelan, Ennis.
 John & Annie Kavanagh, Wicklow.
 Deceased members of Ballincollig ICA.
 Fred & Kate Nash, Powdermills.
 Andrea Hallihan.
 Mary O'Driscoll, Ballydehob.
 Mary Creedon, Carriganarra.
 Francis O'Donovan, Cloyne
 Barry Kelly, The Crescent.
 Tom O'Leary, Maglin.
 Mary Mullane, Castle Avenue.
 Paddy Deasy, Model Farm Road
 William Walsh, Headford
 Tom & Sarah Hogan, Cappawhite
 Abina Murphy, The Lough
 Tony Allen, Inniscarra View
 Brendan O'Mahony, Loretto Park
 Margaret O'Connor, Carrigrohane.
 Mary Murphy.
 Rita Kinsella, Carrigrohane.
 Eileen Moore, Dublin.
 Jim & PJ Burke, Glanworth.
 Mary Mollohan, Dublin.

Irish Guide Dogs for the Blind
 Fun family event
 Easter Egg Hunt at Irish Guide Dogs
 Location: Irish Guide Dogs for the Blind, Model Farm Road, Cork
 Monday 21st April
 From 12noon to 2pm
 €5 per Child
 Contact: Anne 1850 506 300

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Fifth Week Of Lent

06 Sunday Ez. 37: 12-14. Ps. 129. Rom. 8:8-11. Jn. 11: 1-45. Lect I: 305
 07 Monday Dan. 13: 1-9, 15-17, 19-30, 33-62. Ps. 22. Jn. 8: 1-11. Lect I: 319
 08 Tuesday Num. 21:4-9. Ps. 101. Jn. 8:21-30. Lect I: 326
 09 Wednesday Dan. 3: 14-20, 24-25, 28. Ps. Dan. 3:52-56. Jn. 8:31-42. Lect I: 328
 10 Thursday Gen. 17:3-9. Ps. 104. In. 8:51-59. Lect I: 331
 11 Friday Jer. 20:10-13. Ps. 17. In. 10:31-42. Lect I: 333
 12 Saturday Ex 37:21-28. Ps Jer 31:10-13. Jn 11:45-56. Lect I: 336

Next Sunday's Readings 13-April-2014

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

Congratulations to the girls and boys who have received the sacraments of Confirmation during the week. Sincere thanks to the dedicated teachers in all the schools who work diligently teaching and especially in preparing young people for the sacraments. We keep in our prayers the children preparing for their Confirmation and First Holy Communion.

Next Confirmations

Fri. 2nd May Scoil Eoin
 Mon. 12th May Scoil Barra & Our Lady of Good Counsel

Volunteers

Looking for a fun way to volunteer? Barnardos have been announced as the charity partner for the Colour Me Fun Run which is taking place on Saturday, 3rd May in C.I.T. Sports Grounds, Cork. Barnardos will receive 20% of all ticket sales for this event which is fantastic support for work in the Cork area. Volunteers are required from 10am to assist with the running of this event. If you are interested in volunteering for this fun colouristic event please contact Suzanne in Barnardos - by email: volunteers@barnardos.ie / call: 01 7080431 / text: 086 857 0112.

"Beauty and the Beast"

Scoil Barra presents a Musical Drama featuring all your favourite characters and songs from "Beauty and the Beast"and much more besides!! Don't miss the opportunity to see this wonderful theatrical extravaganza. You won't be disappointed! Musical Matinee: Sunday 6th of April at 2.00 p.m. Musical Evening Performances: Monday 7th, Wednesday 9th, Thursday 10th and Friday 11th of April 2014 at 7.30 p.m. Tickets are available from the Secretary's Office, Scoil Barra, Innishmore, Ballincollig, Co. Cork. Tel. No. 021-4873459

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THE SUNDAY READINGS

First Reading: Ezekiel 37:12-14

The Lord God told the people that soon the graves of the dead would open and they would rise. "I will put my spirit in you that you may live . . . says the Lord."

Second Reading: Romans 8:8-11

"Whoever does not have the Spirit of Christ does not belong to him." God, who raised Jesus from the dead, will raise also those in whom the Spirit dwells.

Gospel: John 11:1-45

In this Gospel, John tells the story of Jesus raising Lazarus from the dead. The story is significant because it is likely that his action was his last miracle before Jesus began the journey toward his own death. Jesus was called to Bethany to save his friend, but instead waited several days to return. This action confused Lazarus' sisters, Mary and Martha, because they knew that Jesus could have healed their brother. Jesus used the incident to strengthen the faith of Mary, Martha, and all who believed. He made sure that Lazarus was raised from death so that the people could witness God's glory.

Church of St James, Ballinora

HYMNS FROM BYGONE DAYS

Presented by:

St James' Church Choir

Supported by:

Ballincollig Concert Band &

Ballinora School Choir

Friday April 11th at 8.00pm

Admission: €10

PROCEEDS IN AID OF CHURCH RESTORATION FUND

Ballincollig Annual Pilgrimage to Knock

Sunday May 25th

Bus leaving Village at 7.30am sharp

Contact: Sally 021 4870954 or Cathleen 021 4874730

Cork Arc Cancer Support House

Cork Arc Cancer Support House is looking for Volunteers to help with their Annual Flag Day in Ballincollig on Friday 11th April, 2014

Fundraising will help Cork Arc to continue to offer their vital cancer support services free of charge to cancer patients and their families.

Please contact Hilary on (021) 4274691 or e-mail hilary@corkcancersupport.ie For more information about the work we do please visit www.corkcancersupport.ie

Cork Parkinson's Support Group

Uniting people with Parkinson's, families, friends & others short or long walk, or stroll, whatever you like, or simply watch, from park benches

A Unity Walk In

The Regional Park

Ballincollig

on

Wednesday April 9th 2014 at 11am

Meeting at the Western end, near Inniscarra Bridge

Bulletin Board

Baptism Preparation

The next Baptism preparation will take place on Saturday 12th April, 2014 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.

Daily Masses During Lent

Church of Christ Our Light

8.30am & 6.30pm

St Mary & St John

9.30am & 8pm.

Stations of the Cross

Preparations are in progress for the out door Stations to be held again this year in Ballincollig. It is proposed that the 14 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. Last year many people found it a moving event and we look forward to as many as possible taking part. Please join us at the church of St Mary & St John on Good Friday, April 18th at noon.

Reconciliation Service

Penitential service in Church of Christ Our Light on Monday April 14th 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 18th April at 10.00am. 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.

New Ministers of the Eucharist

Presently in Ballincollig Parish we are inviting parishioners to volunteer to become Ministers of the Eucharist. You are invited to minister in either Christ Our Light Church or St Mary & St John Church, approximately once a month at a week end Mass (rota will be provided).

The requirements are that you are:

- A person 18 years or over
- A person with faith in the Eucharist and are anxious to deepen own faith through ministry
- A person willing to serve and minister to others.

You are also invited to nominate a friend or neighbour as a Minister of the Eucharist. (please give full name, address and contact no to Parish Office or Sacristy .) There will be a preparation for all those interested in becoming ministers.

Home Visiting

Priests working in parishes are called upon to get to know their parishioners and their situations. To this end visiting homes is a priority task for priests. During the past week I visited Highfield (The Avenue and The Crescent). During the coming week I plan to visit Millars Court Old Quarter and Fr. Dave will visit Greystones. **Fr. George**

MINISTERS OF THE WORD

Apr-12 & Apr-13-2014

St. Mary & St. John

Christ Our Light

6:00 pm (Vigil)
 Muireann Nelligan
 Padraig McAuliffe
8:30 am
 Pat Fennell

10:00 am
 Rory Horgan
 Kate Greene
12:00 Noon
 Miriam Mansell
 Seamus Monohan

7:30 pm (Vigil)
 Nonyi Ebili
 Jennifer Nyagaya
11:00 am
 Maeabh Nic Mheanmain
 Lisa Aylward
12:30 pm
 Joseph Manning
 Niamh Murray
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 & 8 pm	Monday	8:30 am & 6:30 pm
9:30 am & 8 pm	Tuesday	8:30 am & 6:30 pm
9:30 am & 8 pm	Wednesday	8:30 am & 6:30 pm
9:30 am & 8 pm	Thursday	8:30 am & 6:30 pm
9:30 am & 8 pm	Friday	8:30 am & 6:30 pm
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.	021-4876171 or frdaveoconnell@gmail.com
Fr. James McSweeney	021-4873308

Funeral Pastoral Team Rota

Week 7th April to 13th April

Joan Barrett
 Margot Twomey

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.



MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST

Apr-12 & Apr-13-2014

St. Mary & St. John

Christ Our Light

6.00 pm Steve Wills
 Margaret O'Sullivan
 Danny Farrell
 Jim Walsh
 Frances O'Brien
 Eileen Coughlan

8:30 am Mary Buckley
 Rita Murphy
 Denis Healy / Tom Butler

10:00 am Christina Walsh
 Peter Reilly
 Mary Collins
 Christy Roche
 Katie O'Shea
 Claire Creedon

12 Noon Oliver O'Donovan
 Miriam Maunsell
 Sean Hennessy
 Mary McLean
 Ellen Seymour
 Nora Hennessy

7:30 pm Anne O'Regan
 Mairead Murphy
 Finbarr Murray
 Lettie Kelly
 Mary Murphy

11:00 am Seamus O'Connell
 Mary O'Connell
 Alan O'Riordan
 Geraldine Keohane
 Gerard Murray

12:30 pm Lucy O'Callaghan
 Jackie Sheehan
 Mary Green
 Michael O'Leary
 J.P.O'Leary

5:30 pm Noelle Buckley
 Mary Breen

NON-VIOLENT COMMUNICATION

The Bishopstown / Glasheen Network

Present an Evening on the topic of:

'A compassionate approach for dealing with Bullying'.

Presented by Thomas Riedmuller of UCC.

Tuesday, 8th April, 2014, Bishopstown Community School,

Tea / Coffee/Refreshments at 7.15pm. Talk starts at 7.30 pm sharp & finishes at 9pm.

Thomas Riedmuller, who lectures in U.C.C. in Conflict Resolution and Group Facilitation, will give a talk on Non-Violent Communication (also known as Compassionate Communication) as an approach to dealing with bullying. Non-Violent Communication (NVC) is based on the idea that all human beings have the capacity for compassion and only resort to violence when they don't recognise more effective strategies of meeting needs.

NVC is a process of communication designed to improve compassionate connection to others.

This talk promises to be very thought provoking and would be of benefit to both parents and teachers.

Contact Damian Ryan on 086-3008613, Liaison teacher in Glasheen National Schools, for further details.

ADMISSION FREE TO ALL