

THE BALLINCOLLIG PARISHIONER



St. Mary & St. John
Station Road

Sunday 13-April-2014

Passion (Palm) Sunday

Jesus was tortured and humiliated by the pride and self-will 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.



Christ Our Light
Innishmore

Holy Week

From Palm Sunday to Easter Sunday, we reflect on the final week of Jesus' life; from his triumphant entry into Jerusalem to his last meal, trial, crucifixion, death, and resurrection. These are important events in our faith journey.

We see in today's readings how Jesus suffered as a human person. During his time of suffering he experienced terrible loneliness. His disciples fell asleep in the Garden when he needed their support. They ran away as soon as people came to arrest him. It even seemed that his Father had abandoned him when he cried out: 'My God, My God why have you forsaken me'. Yet because of His great love for us, Jesus accepted his Father's will by suffering and dying to save each one of us.

Today, as we reflect on all that Jesus endured for our salvation and that of the whole world, we remember too all who are suffering at this time: our own our personal sufferings, be they physical, mental, or financial; the sufferings of our world; the heartbreaks endured by families that do not have adequate food, clothing or shelter; the grief experienced by those suffering from war and natural disasters; Let us unite these with the suffering of Jesus, praying that all may receive the grace and strength they need.

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. In what ways am I the hands, the feet, the eyes of Christ for others?

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 noon 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.

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 those who suffer unjustly and those those in pain of any kind.

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

We pray that Christians everywhere may be strengthened in faith through the coming celebration of Holy Week.

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

For each other: that we 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 a moment, we remember in silence our own particular needs.

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

Priest

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

My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?

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BAPTISMS

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

Tiernan McCarthy, Old Court, Greenfields.
James Joseph Alfred Sullivan, Waltham Abbey, Old Quarter.
Jack Stephen Anthony Armstrong, Reading, Berkshire.

† IN SYMPATHY †

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

Doreen Cross, Tipperary.
Mai Murphy, Castletownbere.
Kathleen Collins, Dublin.
Eily Hamberger, UK/Model Farm Road.
Grainne O’Driscoll, Willowfield.
Harry Harvey, Avon Court.
Donal Kelleher, Newceston.
Tom Sweeney, Churchview.
Billy Wilson, Carlow.

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

John (Frank) Rea, Begley Forge.
Phyllis Smith, Wyndham Downs.
Patrick Keohane, Leevew, Inniscarra.
Paddy Kirstein, Inniscarra View.
Dermot & Julie Creedon.
Jack & Valerie French, Cobh.
Frank Manning, Blackrock.
Paddy Keohane, Inniscarra.
James Collins, Dublin.
Con & Maureen Cremin, Glasheen.
Con Kelleher, Poulavone.
Hannah Foy, Inniscarra View.
Jeremy Lynch, Limeworth.
John Woods, Carriganarra.
Noreen Attridge, Schull.
Sr Gemma O’Dwyer, Infant Jesus Sisters.
William O’Brien, Fair Hill.
Denis Brown, Newmarket.
Morgan O’Donovan, Classes Lake.
John O’Mahony, Carriganarra.
John & Bridget Lee, Inniscarra.
Denis Kiely, Rosewood.
Tony O’Sullivan, Station Road.

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

Easter Monday 21st April From 12noon to 2pm

€5 per Child Contact: Anne 1850 506 300

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Palm Sunday Of The Lord's Passion

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

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

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

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

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

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

19 Saturday

Next Sunday's Readings 20-April-2014

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

Bulletin Board

Easter collection for Priests of the Parish

According to the Diocesan custom, the collection at Easter Masses is one of two collections during the year when the offertory collection goes to the priests of the parish

Chrism Mass

Bishop Buckley invites you to the **Chrism Mass in the Cathedral on Holy Thursday, April 18th 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.

Reconciliation Service

Penitential service in Church of Christ Our Light on Monday 14th 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.

Easter Vigil

Parishioners are reminded to bring candles to the Easter Vigil Ceremonies at 7.30 pm in Christ Our Light and 9.00 pm in St Mary & St John on Holy Saturday evening.
Please take special care to avoid dripping candle grease on the floor or on seats.

Envelope Collection

Holy Places (Holy Land) - Good Friday

Holy Week

Is a central week in the Church's year. This week recalls and re-enacts the highpoint in God's love and Jesus revealing Him to us. The most important part of Holy Week for me is when Christ stoops to wash the feet of his friends. The washing of the feet had an unsuspecting depth of meaning. When inspired by love, the least service rendered to one's neighbour takes on an extraordinary dimension; it foreshadows that total sacrifice for which everyone should be prepared. To be truly Christian is a constant effort to become like Jesus. I hope you will be able to join us this year to recall and celebrate Holy Week in our lead in to Easter and the Resurrection.

Fr. George

Holy Week Ceremonies 13th April to 19th April

St. Mary & St. John		
Day	Event	Time
Sunday	Normal Masses	8:30 am, 10 am 12 noon
Monday	Normal Masses	9:30 am & 8 pm
Tuesday	Normal Masses	9:30 am & 8 pm
Wednesday	Normal Masses	9:30 am & 8 pm
Holy Thursday	No Morning Mass	
	Mass of the Last Supper followed by Adoration & Holy Hour	8:00 pm
	Confessions	12.00 to 1.00 pm
	Confessions	7.00 to 8.00 pm
Good Friday	Stations of the Cross	12.00 Outdoor & 3.00 pm
	Celebration of the Lord's Passion	8.00 pm
	Confessions	After All Ceremonies
Holy Saturday	No Morning Mass	
	Confessions	11.30 am to 1.00 pm
		2 pm to 4.00 pm
	Evening Mass	6.00 pm
	Easter Vigil & Mass	9.00 pm
Christ Our Light		
Day	Event	Time
Sunday	Normal Masses	11 am, 12:30 pm & 5:30 pm
Monday	Normal Masses	8:30 am & 6:30 pm
	Reconciliation Service	7:00 pm
Tuesday	Normal Masses	8:30 am & 6:30 pm
Wednesday	Normal Masses	8:30 am & 6:30 pm
Holy Thursday	No Morning Mass	
	Mass of the Last Supper followed by Adoration & Holy Hour	6.30 pm
	Confessions	After 6:30 pm Mass
Good Friday	Stations of the Cross	12.00 (Outdoor) & 3 pm
	Celebration of the Lord's Passion	6.30 pm
	Confessions	After All Ceremonies
Holy Saturday	No Morning Mass	
	Confessions	11.30 am
	Easter Vigil & Mass	7.30 pm

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.

MINISTERS OF THE WORD

Apr-19 & Apr-20-2014

St. Mary & St. John

Christ Our Light

6:00 pm (Vigil)
Karen Sheehan
Padraig Graham
8:30 am
Tom McDonagh

10:00 am
Maria Bunyan
Amy O'Driscoll
12:00 Noon
Chloe Dalton O'Connor
Katie Tobin

7:30 pm (Vigil)
Fiona Feely

11:00 am
Tomás Buckley
Michael Buckley
12:30 pm
Bernard Valleley
Colm Walsh
5:30 pm
Colm Tuohy

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

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Tuesday

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Wednesday

8:30 am & 6:30 pm

8 pm

Thursday

6:30 pm

8 pm

Friday

6:30 pm

6 pm & 9 pm (Easter Vigil)

Saturday

7:30 pm (Easter 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.

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Fr. Dave O'Connell C.C.

021-4876171 or frdaveoconnell@gmail.com

Fr. James McSweeney

021-4873308

Funeral Pastoral Team Rota

Week 14th April to 20h April

Laurence Cunningham

Virginia Harrington

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.

The Riots in Marsh's Yard.

Muskerry Local History Society are organising a lecture on the riots in Marsh's Yard which will examine the circumstances, both political and economic, which culminated in the tragic shooting dead of 22 year old, Michael Patrick Lynch, and the wounding, by gunfire, of seven others at the auction yard of Wm. Marsh & son, Copley Street, Cork on Monday, 13 August, 1934.

The early years of the 1930's provide the background to this talk which will be held on Tuesday, 15 April at 8.15 pm in Ballincollig Rugby Club. The various aspects of that era including the Land Annuities, the Economic War, the Blueshirts and the tensions still existing from the Civil War will be highlighted as well as the list of casualties showing some local involvement. The shootings, the perpetrators and the court findings will also be discussed.

World War 1 Participants

At least 152 young people from Ballincollig and its surrounding parishes served in WW1. If you know of anyone who was born, lived or was very closely associated with Ballincollig, Carrigrohane, Kerry Pike, Clogheen, Inniscarra, Dripsey, Coachford, Crookstown, Farran, Ovens, Waterfall, or Ballinora, please send whatever information you have to worldwarone@gmail.com. Please do not send original documents but if you can scan in such information it would be wonderful. Muskerry local history society are now compiling their 2014 journal and are hoping to have a full list of WW1 participants in recognition of their service.

Ballincollig Athletic Club.

Annual 5k run Regional Park Sunday 13th April at 11.15am.

For further information visit www.ballincolligathleticclub.com or club mobile 087 1436121



MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST

Apr-19 & Apr-20-2014

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