

THE BALLINCOLLIG PARISHIONER



St. Mary & St. John
Station Road

Sunday 25-January-2015

Third Sunday In Ordinary Time

Both Jonah and Jesus brought urgent messages for the need for repentance and change in peoples lives. Such change was needed to make them open to the action of God. If there is to be unity among the followers of Christ, we all need to change.



Christ Our Light
Innishmore

Repent and Believe the Good News - (Catholic Schools Week)

In the first reading God sends Jonah to the people of Nineveh with a warning that they renounce their evil behaviour. Initially Jonah had refused to go. Now, being given a second chance, he responds to God's call. The people listen to Jonah. They renounce their 'evil ways', they repent and believe in God. The Gospel tells of Jesus going to Galilee to proclaim the Good News from God: 'the time has come and the kingdom of God is close at hand, repent and believe the Good News'. This message tells us the purpose of Jesus' coming and how we are to respond - it calls us to a change of heart, to repent of our sins and to believe in the Good News. The grace of God is always at work in us. The people of Nineveh listened to Jonah, recognized their sins, and repented hoping it would not be too late for them. God accepted their repentance. It wasn't too late for them. It wasn't too late for Jonah. It is never too late for us.

In the Gospel we also hear Jesus inviting his first disciples. When Simon, Andrew, James and John left their fishing nets to follow Jesus, its doubtful they had a clue about all that would be asked of them, yet they placed their trust in Him. God calls each one of us in different ways and like the first disciples we too are weak human beings! He only asks that we trust in Him. Remembering that God speaks to us also through others, we are blessed that today many people - adults and youth - respond to the 'invite' to generously share their gifts to be involved in various ministries in our Parish. Perhaps we could make the first two lines of today's Psalm our prayer: 'Lord, make me know your ways. Lord teach me your paths.'

This week we celebrate 'Catholic Schools Week'. The Theme 'A Call to Serve', invites all involved in Catholic education to reflect on how we live out the call to serve. Each one of us is called to serve God and each other with love, kindness, joy, truth and justice so that we can be the kind of people that Jesus wants us to be, bringing his love to the world and especially to those in need in our Society. We acknowledge and celebrate the contribution that our Catholic schools make, especially here in our Parish.

Sr. Colette

Thought for Today

Take a bucket and fill it with water.
Put your arms into it up to the wrists
Take them out and the hole that remains
Is the measure of how you'll be missed?

You may splash all you please when you enter;
You may stir up the water galore;
But stop and you'll find in a minute
That it looks just the same as before.

PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL

Priest

Let us pray that God may make his ways known to us and teach us to follow his path.

Reader

For all the baptised: that they may live up to their calling to be disciples of Christ in the world.

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

For the leaders of government: that God may give them strength and wisdom so that nation may live in peace.

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

For those who have consecrated their lives to the service of Christ in the priesthood and /or religious.

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

For those in pain: that they may know that God cares for them.

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

For each of us here: that, whatever our task in life, we may listen to Christ's call to a deeper and a more authentic 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, in your gentle mercy, guide our wayward hearts, for we know that left to ourselves we cannot do your will. We make our prayers through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Lord, make me know your ways

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BAPTISMS

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

Olaf Joshua Sorensen , The Crescent, Highfield Park.
 Ruth Marie Hayes, Old Quarry, Coolroe.
 Helena Malucha, Tara, An Caislean.
 John Carlo Santiago Conway, Cherry Walk, Muskerry Estate.

† IN SYMPATHY †

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

Martin Stack, Aisling Lawn & Listowel.
 William Walsh, Bishopstown.
 Sr. Jean Browne, Ursline Convent.
 P.J. O' Hagan, Sunningdale.

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

Mary Forrest, Ballygarvan.
 Bridget O'Sullivan, Kealkil.
 Sean Nyhan, Inniscarra View.
 Ellen Buckley, Bakers Road.
 Pat, Kitty & Pat (Jnr) Sheehan, Coachford.
 James & Margaret O'Mahony, Skibbereen.
 Peg O'Flynn, Fr. Sexton Park.
 Sean Nyhan, Sweetbriar Lane, Inniscarra View.
 Paddy Cronin, Mournabbey.
 Frances Buckley, West Village.
 Frances Murray, West Village & Douglas.
 Fr. Christy Harrington.
 Margaret & John DilworthBlarney.
 Mary Ellen Kelleher, Maglin.
 Dec. members of O'Donovan family, West Village.
 Frank Collins, Ballingulley.
 Jim Green, The Square.
 Jack & Lal Deasy, Dublin Hill.
 Sean Connolly, Skibbereen.
 Peg Murphy, Model Farm Road.
 Mary O'Mahony, Castlepark.
 Mary, Daniel, Sheila & DJ O'Mahony, Clash.
 Eileen Healy, Strawberry Hill.
 Richard & Eileen Walsh, Bishopstown.
 Catherine & Robert Morey, Wolf Tone Street.
 James & Catherine O'Dwyer, Limerick.
 Dec members of Reilly & Hanney families.
 Philip Murphy, South Douglas Road.
 James & Thomas Murphy.
 Sean Coakley, "Hillview", Muskerry Estate.
 Sean Dunne, Muskerry Estate.
 Michael Carroll, Coolroe Heights

“Mothers’ Prayers”
Continue every Thursday at 10.00 am
At ‘Sonas’ House - Station Road
 We welcome Mothers, Grandmothers
 Godmothers to join in prayer
 for all our children and the youth of our parish.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Third Week In Ordinary Time

25 Sunday Jon 3:1-5, 10. Ps 24. 1 Cor 7:29-31. Mk 1:14-20. Lect I: 743
 26 Monday 2 Tim. 1:1-8 or Tit. 1:1-5. Ps. 95. Lk. 10:1-9. Lect II: 931
 27 Tuesday Heb 10:1-10. Ps 39. Mk 3:3135. Lect II: 29
 28 Wednesday Heb 10:11-18. Ps 109. Mk 4:1-20. Lect II: 31
 29 Thursday Heb. 10:19-25. Ps. 23. Mk. 4:21-25. Lect I: 34
 30 Friday Heb. 10:32-39. Ps. 36. Mk. 4:26-34. Lect II: 35
 31 Saturday Heb. 11: 1-2, 8-19. Ps. Lk. 1 :69-75. Mk. 4:35-41. Lect II: 37

Next Sunday's Readings 01/February/2015

Deut 18:15-20. Ps 94. 1 Cor 7:32-35. Mk 1:21-28. Lect I: 745

Cork Seminar

The Importance of Marriage
 and the Defence of the Family

Speakers:

Rev. Fr. Gabriel Burke

A priest of the diocese of Cloyne

Mr. Tom Finnegan PHD.

Fathers and Mothers Matter

Catherine Wiley

Founder of the Grandparents Association

Anthony Murphy

Chair Meeting Editor Catholic Voice Newspaper

Venue:

Conference Centre Silver Springs Hotel Cork
 Sunday 8th February at 2:45 pm
 Important to see you all

Community Employment Vacancy

Secretary /Receptionist vacancy at Diocese of Cork and Ross Pastoral Development Office, Ballyphehane.
 Duties to include telephone, typing, filing, computers and accounts.
 As this is a Community Employment position, eligibility applies.

Cv's to Southside Training & Development Ltd.
 SMA Centre,
 Wilton, Cork.
 Tel. 021 4345583.
 Email southsidetdl@eircom.net
 Closing date: Friday 30th January

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THE SUNDAY READINGS

First Reading: Jonah 3: 1-5, 10

Most probably the story of Jonah is a type of parable or story to teach a lesson rather than an exact historical book. Looked at that way it would compare with the parables like the Prodigal Son and the Good Samaritan told by Jesus. The central doctrine of the Book of Jonah is the universality of God's love and providence extending beyond the bounds of the Chosen People to pagan nations. Jonah brought an urgent call to repentance to a pagan city. Surprisingly the citizens listened to his message and repented.

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians, 7: 29-31

These reflections of St. Paul are not a plea for neglecting earthly concerns, but for concentration on God's service and for treating other things as of secondary interest. Paul sees the need for detachment from this world because of the growing hostility of the pagan world to the Christians, the possibility of an early Second Coming and the shortness and precariousness of human life.

Gospel: Mark 1: 14-20

Like Jonah in the Old Testament, Jesus comes with a similar call to repentance. He proclaimed the good news that the age of Redemption which the Prophets had foretold was at hand. He called on everyone to do penance in order to enter into the new Kingdom.

Cake Sale

Linda Allen wishes to sincerely thank all who helped Chloe with the cake sale for the Hope Foundation.

A total of €696 was collected.

A special thank you to Fr. George.

Remembering with Love

A Multidenominational Service of Remembrance for families who have experienced the death of a child.

Wednesday 28th January, 2015, 6.30pm

Sacred Heart Church, Western Road, Cork

All parents, children and families welcome. Refreshments and children's entertainment will be provided afterwards.

For further information please contact:

Tyrone Horne CUH/MUH (086) 4124373

Marie Watson CUH (086) 7872404

Daniel Nuzum CUH (086) 7872270

Katy Twomey CUH (087) 2361082

Concert

Ballinadee Catholic Church, Co. Cork

On Friday, January 30th at 8 pm. in aid of the RNLI.

Taking part will be the award-winning Glaslinn Choir,

Spiro Singers, Tenor Dan Twomey of RTÉ fame,

Soprano Orla Fogarty and guests.

The RNLI call the last Friday in January their S.O.S. day. Ours is called SING OUR SONGS. This is the 4th annual concert.

Why don't you come along to support this worthy charity?

Donations accepted

Creative Writing

A 4-week workshop will take place in

BRÚ COLUMBANUS, WILTON

Starting on Monday 2nd February, 2015

From 7.30 p.m. – 9.30 p.m.

Fee: Course - €55 / €15 per session

Phone: 087 6831623 to register

Bulletin Board

Special Collection for Diocesan Needs

The Diocesan collection last week end amounted to €2792.

Thank you for your generosity which is greatly appreciated

The success of these collections has greatly assisted the

operation of the Diocesan Central Account, with the

continuing average quarterly collection now being

maintained at approximately €60,000. Overall, the

operating income of the Central Account amounted to

€1.18m. The expenses met by the Central Account

amounted in total to €1.26m. I thank you for your continued

support.

Children's Mass

The next Mass for children in second class preparing for

their first Holy Communion will take place on Sunday

February 1st at 11.00am in Church of Christ Our Light. The

Parents of children who are seven and eight are asked to

bring them to this Mass. Preparation with the children

commences in the main body of the church at 10.45am. The

Children retire to the crying room where they celebrate the

Liturgy of the Word in a child friendly fashion. They will

return to the main church at the start of the offertory

procession.

Offertory Collection Boxes

Many thanks to the many parishioners who gave in their

names and box numbers to the parish office during the past

weeks.

Sincere thanks to all who support the parish through the

offertory collection. The offertory collection pays for

heating, lighting, insurance, and maintenance as well as

other costs cleaning materials candles etc.

Ballincollig Parish Mission

March 2nd to March 6th - Church of St. Mary & St. John

Music Morning

Monthly Music Morning will be held in the

Ballincollig Library on Tuesday January 27th at 11am

Presented by Paddy O'Gorman.

All most welcome.

A cuppa will be served.

Church of St. Mary & St. John

150th Celebration

"Grateful for the past...

Celebrating the present...

Looking towards the future."

Forthcoming events:

- **Inter-Faith Ceremony**

Today Sunday 25th Jan 2015 at 7.00pm

- **Concert**

Cork ETB Youth Orchestra with special guests

Sunday 1st February 2015 7.00pm

Free admission (...bring a cushion for extra comfort)

MINISTERS OF THE WORD

Jan/31 & Feb/01/2015

St. Mary & St. John

Christ Our Light

6:00 pm (Vigil)
Adrian Cotter
Alan Murphy
8:30 am
Triona Downey
Riain Brennan
10:00 am
Tony Hegarty
William Greene
12:00 Noon
Declan Chalmers
Sean Manley

7:30 pm (Vigil)
Pauline Collins
Morgan Smith
11:00 am
Jack Dorgan
Harry O'Brien
12:30 pm
Adaugu Ebili
Caterina Nugent
5:30 pm
Liam 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

Monday

8:30 am

9:30 am

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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

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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 26th Jan to 1st Feb

Tim Murphy
Siobhan Glavin

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

Jan/31 & Feb/01/2015

St. Mary & St. John

Christ Our Light

6.00 pm Patsie Murphy
Pat Moore
Mary Walsh
Marie Healy
Margaret Kearney
Nora Barry

7:30 pm Sheila O'Connor
Martin O'Regan
Brid Healy-Harris
Kit Cahill
Andrezej Janukowicz

8:30 am Theresa Lucey
Tom Butler

11:00 am Carmel Ryan
Eileen Byrne
Bernadett Spillane
Laurence / Angela Cunn
David Mahony

10:00 am Margaret Bunyan
Mary Murphy
Joan Tobin
Breda Monaghan
Niamh Nic Gearailt
Mary Hennigan

12:30 pm Eileen Garvey
Breda Callanan
Catherine Freehill
Betty Walsh

12 Noon Marie Bowen
Breda Lenihan
Jacinta Jeffers
Rena O'Connor
Sean Farrell

5:30 pm Olan O'Mahony
Noel Kelleher

Thank You

On behalf of the members of St. Johns Conference, Society of St. Vincent de Paul, and the people and families we assist, We want to thank you for your most generous contribution to our efforts to bring the spirit of Christmas to those who are currently experiencing some difficulties.

As you may be aware we are a family visitation conference based in Ballincollig. Each week we visit families requiring some assistance. This assistance is usually financial, but can also be advisory. Our main targets would be accommodation, food, clothes, heat, and power. To this end we rely heavily on our monthly church door collections, and the support and generosity of the people of Ballincollig.

Your contribution, to us, this Christmas, allowed us to give that extra help, so that our families could celebrate Christmas in a fuller sense.

We can only attempt to convey to you the joy and gratitude expressed to us on the doorsteps by those families and on their and our behalf again say thank you very much.

St. Johns Conference, Ballincollig