

THE BALLINCOLLIG PARISHIONER

150 Years



St. Mary & St. John
Station Road

Sunday 18-October-2015

Twenty Ninth Sunday In Ordinary Time

By its nature, the Church is missionary. Christ sent her to let her light shine to the whole human race. We cannot leave this task to the professionals. The prophets and the apostles were ordinary lay people when chosen to speak and act in God's name. As the result of our baptism, each of us has a duty to work for the missions in our own special way and in our own particular place.

Mass For The Spread Of The Gospel - Theme: 'Abundant Life'



Christ Our Light
Innishmore

Mission Sunday

Today on Mission Sunday we reflect on our calling as Christians to spread the Good News of Jesus and to live out that 'fullness of life' in a spirit of joy! In the Gospel we see the human side of the Apostles James and John! The two brothers are looking for a share of 'authority in God's Kingdom'. They discreetly go to Jesus asking him for a favour. They want to sit one on the right and the other on the left side of Jesus in his Kingdom. When the other Apostles hear about this they are not too happy. Jesus brings them all together and speaks of the importance of service and sacrifice in the life of a disciple. He tells them "that among the pagans their so-called rulers lord it over them and make their authority felt; this is not to happen among you: anyone who wants to become great among you must be your servant...for the Son of Man himself did not come to be served but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many." Jesus sacrificed his life for the whole world in order to establish the Kingdom of God. The Gospel calls us followers of Jesus, to reject power and dominance over others. The challenge put before us today is 'what is my contribution to the Mission of the Church'?

Throughout the Gospels Jesus served by being with the sick and suffering; also by feeding the hungry; speaking up for those who have no voice: the oppressed; the marginalised; those forgotten and despised. So often we see the example of Jesus' service lived out among people we know - also among strangers and friends, among our own families and Parish Community. We also see examples of service in Charitable organizations; among them the St Vincent de Paul Society; also people who serve the homeless; those who need shelter, a hot meal, or be given a new start in life. Many of our youth from the Parish volunteer each year to travel with the Hope Foundation to Calcutta, giving of their time and sharing their gifts and talents with street and slum children. The children there are forced to work from as young as five years of age to earn money for food and so cannot go to school. In his message for 'Mission Sunday', Pope Francis puts a question: "Who are the first to whom the Gospel message must be proclaimed?" He goes on to say: "The answer, found so often throughout the Gospel, is clear: it is the poor, the little ones and the sick, those who are often looked down upon or forgotten, those who cannot repay us".

Today we pray for all our missionaries and volunteers throughout the world in gratitude for the gift of their lives and asking the Lord to continue to bless and protect each one of them.

Sr. Colette

Reflection for Parents

Parents are in the best position to live today's gospel message in their own families. Parents have the most power, which makes it easy for children to recognise when they are being served. In simple, everyday actions, like getting our own drink of water, changing the television channel ourselves, or helping a child with his/her homework, our children recognise that we respect and appreciate them. Our children also watch our actions to see how we serve others. We know from our own experiences that the person we most admire is the one who helps us carry our load, not the one who adds to it.

May your love be upon us, O Lord, as we place all our hope in

PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL

Priest

The love of Christ gathers us together this Mission Sunday so that we might be renewed through this celebration of our faith and in our commitment to bring the Gospel to the ends of the earth and so we make our prayers to our loving Father.

Reader

We pray for all communities throughout the world who gather to celebrate the Eucharist today. Nourished by God's Word and by Christ's Body and Blood, may we be joyful ministers of your saving presence to all we meet.

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

We pray for those who are suffering today. Lord Jesus, you know our weakness and our temptations and were no stranger to suffering. Be merciful to all who struggle with heavy burdens.

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

In our journey of faith, let us have no ambition other than to be servants to one another in the spirit of Jesus. Let us bear one another's burdens, bringing the gifts of healing, peace and justice to our troubled world.

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

We thank God for our missionaries and for the peoples among whom they work, may we reach out in love to all missionaries throughout the world and to communities they serve, especially to those in most need.

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

We pray for the sick, the lonely and for all who are bereaved. May they be comforted as they unite their suffering with the Risen Christ.

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

We pray for the Synod of Bishops and its deliberations on the family.

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

Priest

Father, you sent your Son among us as a missionary to reveal your wonderful plan of salvation. Through our sharing of the gifts you give us, may we continue to grow in communion with our brothers and sisters throughout the world. Through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

BAPTISMS

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

Pearl Juno O'Callaghan, Aherla.
 Zoe Eileen Murphy, Avon Court.
 Lena Nawrot, An Caislean Drive.
 Lucy Grace Conlon, River Valley, Mallow.
 Conor Michael Kelleher, Glasheen Road.
 James Patrick Moore, The Oaks, Classes Lake.
 Harry David Vincent, Maple Lawn, Muskerry Estate.
 Conor Darragh Sweeney, The Meadows, Classes Lake.
 Tadhg Raymond O'Neill, The Crescent Highfield Park.
 Faye Patricia Valentine O'Neill, Leslies Arch, Old Quarter.
 Jack Robert Mareo Derry O'Halloran, Old Court, Greenfields.
 Eoghan Anthony O'Gorman Hurley, Lissarda.
 Abigail Mary O'Connell, Summerstown Road, Wilton.
 Darragh Alexander Burda, The Square, Highfield Park.
 Finn Dominic O'Donnell, The Green, Coolroe Meadows.

† IN SYMPATHY †

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

Eily Walsh, Bellview Crescent.
 Patrick Staunton, Bishopstown.
 Kieran Harris, Douglas.
 Rita Ahern, Clash.
 Kathleen Roche, Church View.
 Nora Lynch, Coolroe.

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

Denis J. Callanan, Innishmore Court.
 Oliver & Phil Doyle, Greenwood Estate, Togher.
 Dr. Michael O'Shea, Model Farm Road.
 Breda O'Donoghue, West Village.
 Kay O'Keeffe, Cherry Walk.
 Kathleen Gallagher, Galway.
 Marion Owens, Blackpool.
 Nicholas Tarrent, Inniscarra View & Millstreet
 Joe Le Blanc, Main Street/
 Gorette Le Blanc, Innishannon.
 Conor Quinlan, Carrigtwohill.
 Tom McNamara, Powdermills.
 Nancy Ginnane, Shanakiel.
 Jim Kavanagh, Powdermills.
 Maura O'Connor Hannon, Dublin.
 May Monahan, Kinvara.
 John C & Elsie Creedon, Ballyvourney.
 Dec members of Creedon family, Ballyvourney.
 Michael Ring & Dec. relatives, Dungourney.
 Hannah Dineen, Kanturk.
 Shelia Sampson, Doneraile.
 Gertude & Michael Riordan, Glasheen.
 Dec. members of Murphy & Brennan families.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Twenty Ninth Week In Ordinary Time

18 Sunday Is 53:10-11. Ps 32:4-5, 18-20, 22, R/ v 22. Heb 4:14-16, Mk. 10:42-45. Lect I: 814
 19 Monday Rom. 4:20-25. Ps. Lk. 1: 69- 75. Lk. 12: 13-21. Lect II: 376
 20 Tuesday Rom. 5:12,15,11-19. Ps. 39. Lk. 12:35-38. Lect II:378
 21 Wednesday Rom. 6:12-18. Ps. 123. Lk. 12:39-48. Lect II: 380
 22 Thursday Rom. 6:19-23. Ps. 1. Lk. 12:49-53. Lect II: 382
 23 Friday Rom. 7:18-25. Ps. 118. Lk. 12:54-59. Lect II: 384
 24 Saturday Rom. 8:1-11. Ps. 23. Lk. 13:1-9. Lect II: 386

Next Sunday's Readings 25/October/2015

Jer 31:7-9. Ps 125. Heb 5:1-6. Mk 10:46-52. Lect I: 817

THE SUNDAY READINGS

First Reading: Isaiah 53:10-11
 In today's reading, we hear how the Messiah will give His life as an offering for sin; His suffering will bring people to God.

Second Reading: Acts 13:14-49
 People will come from the east and west, north and south to feast in God's kingdom. Paul and Barnabas preached to the Jews with little success. It was time to reach out and bring the light of the Gospel to other nations. Missionaries continue this reaching out to the ends of the earth. The widespread enthusiasm of the new pagan believers for the Gospel is repeated today in many mission lands.

Gospel: Mark 10:42-45
 We can often recognise those who are considered great in the world by the number of people they have serving and protecting them. Jesus teaches his disciples that it cannot be like that with them. He has come not to be served but to serve others, especially the poor and those who need healing. His greatness is seen most clearly in his laying down his life for others.

Winter Time begins next weekend, all clocks / timing devices must go backward by one hour at 02:00 am on Sunday morning October 25th

Live Broadcast

The Children's Mass at Christ Our Light on 13th December will be broadcasted on RTE Radio from 11am.

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Our Favourite Psalms

Psalm 6 (In Tune of sickness)
 Be gracious to me, LORD, for I am weak;
 LORD, heal me, for my body is shaking with fear.
 My soul is also struck with terror,
 while you, O LORD, how long?

Return, LORD, rescue my soul.
 Save me, because of your merciful love.

I am weary with my groaning;
 every night I flood my bed with tears;
 I drench my pillow with my weeping.

My eyes waste away because of grief;
 they grow weak because of all my enemies.
 The LORD will hear my plea:
 The LORD will accept my prayer.

Dementia

Take a 10 minute survey and help dementia researchers at Trinity College Dublin
 The NEIL Programme is a dementia research programme at TCD. We focus on dementia prevention, brain health and understanding how we can delay the onset or reduce the severity of dementia symptoms. We also develop educational materials, and are interested in your opinion of the FreeDem films, a series of short, animated videos that we created.
 If you have already seen one or more of the films:
 Please take this 10-minute survey. Please click this link <https://goo.gl/2UW9zg> or cut and paste it into your browser. We are interested in what you can recall about the films so please do NOT watch the films before taking the survey. You can, of course, watch the films again after you complete the survey. If you have never seen the any of the films before: Simply visit <http://freedemliving.com/research> and choose any of the 10 surveys shown.
 If you wish you can take more than one survey but we will be delighted if you take just one. Please share the link and the films as widely as possible. To learn more about the FreeDem films or the NEIL Programme, visit <http://www.tcd.ie/Neuroscience/NEIL/> or contact us at neil@tcd.ie

The Cork Spina Bifida And Hydrocephalus Association

Are holding a Ladies Afternoon Tea
 It's on this Sunday 18th October
 From 3 to 5.30 pm in The Imperial Hotel, Cork.
 Food will be served at the tables.
 There is a best dressed lady prize and many spot prizes.
 Tickets are 30 euro and will be available on the day.

Songs of Faith 2015

Our first workshop towards our Songs of Faith concert for 2015 is on Sunday 18th October from 2:30 to 5:30pm at Our Lady Crowned Church, Mayfield. If you would like to join one of our choirs or our band for this event contact Sr. Karen 087 9161792.
 Choir for teen's 13-17 choir for young adults 18-35 and band for 13-35 who love to play music.
 Further workshops 8th & 22nd November followed by concert.

Bulletin Board

Directed Prayer

Commencing 8th – 13th November inclusive. Last year people who took part were delighted and enriched following participation. This is an opportunity to deepen and enhance our prayer life.

Diocesan Collection

Last week ends collection amounted to €2,850, Thank you for your generosity which is greatly appreciated.

Mission Sunday

Envelope collection for the propagation of the faith will be taken up at all churches this week end.

Novena for the Dead – November 2nd to 10th, 2015

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.

Special Mass

There will be a Special Mass to remember all our loved ones who died during the past year on Wednesday November 11th 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.

Cemetery Masses

Mass in St Oliver's Cemetery Saturday November 7th at 2pm
 Mass in St Mary's & St John Cemetery November 14th at 12 noon

Alter Servers

Young boys and girls who have made their First Holy Communion and who are interested in serving at Mass are ask to hand in their names and addresses to the Sacristy. You will serve at a Mass of your choice and training will be given.

Hope Foundation

Young people from Ballincollig have gone to Calcutta for a number of years. This year a group are going, they are trying to raise money for a Laundry to provide some comfort for the street children in Calcutta. A cheque for 2,125 euro, proceeds of the recent Flower Festival, was presented to the Hope Foundation last weekend. David O'Shea will hold a gate collection for the Hope Foundation next weekend 24th & 25th October. Your support is much appreciated.

Fr. George

MINISTERS OF THE WORD

Oct/24 & Oct/25/2015

St. Mary & St. John

Christ Our Light

6:00 pm (Vigil)

Karen Sheehan
Darragh Lankford

8:30 am

Eadaoin O'Leary
Gerard O'Leary

10:00 am

Grace Buttimer
Orla Horgan

12:00 Noon

Chloe Dalton O'Connor
Katie Tobin

7:30 pm (Vigil)

Pauline Collins
Dylan Ebili

11:00 am

Sorcha Nic Mheanmain
Maire Buckley

12:30 pm

James Nyagaya
Laura O'Leary

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

Tuesday

8:30 am

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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

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Funeral Pastoral Team Rota

Week 19th Oct to 25th Oct

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

Oct/24 & Oct/25/2015

St. Mary & St. John

Christ Our Light

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

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

8:30 am Mary Buckley
Tom Butler
Denis Healy

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

10:00 am Mary Collins
Christy Roche
Katie O'Shea
Joe Coughlan
Elaine Crowley
Ann Buckley

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

12 Noon Oliver O'Donovan
Sean Hennessy
Mary McLean
Eleanor Seymour
Nora Hennessy

5:30 pm Noelle Buckley
Mary Breen
Valerie Barry

War and Violence Persists in Syria, Iraq & Afghanistan

The Refugee Crisis in our world receives some media attention on a regular basis. The death of a little Child on a Turkish beach highlighted the suffering and the desperate situation of the Refugees. People are fleeing from war, violence and starvation. The situations of the people escaping is horrendous as they put their lives at risk to make a future for themselves and their families.

However there are others who are forced to remain in places like Aleppo in Syria. These are the poor, the elderly and others who cannot escape. Their situation is aggravated recently with Russian bombing of parts of Syria. Aleppo is one of the targets of the bombing.

Recently Virginia Harrington made contact with a priest in Aleppo and he finds it some comfort to know that their pain and suffering is recognised by some in the wider world.

I ask that all of us keep their suffering in our prayers and thoughts.

Communication is extremely difficult and hazardous for them living a war zone.

Hopefully we will be able to give some practical help to these people.

