

# THE BALLINCOLLIG PARISHIONER

Sunday 22-May-2016

## The Most Holy Trinity

*Today's feast tells us not just about God, but about the heart of our Christian living. Believing in Christ makes us one with him and brings us to the Father. He gives us His Spirit, to be the driving force of our lives.*

150 Years



St. Mary & St. John  
Station Road



Christ Our Light  
Innishmore

### Feast of The Holy Trinity

Today we celebrate the Feast of the Holy Trinity. While our belief in the Trinity is one of the central truths of our faith, it is also a mystery that we cannot fully understand. As Christians each of us was baptized "in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit".

God our Father is our loving Creator, who loves us unconditionally. He is close to us, caring for us and watching over us. Out of his great love for us he sent his Son Jesus to be his presence in our world and to communicate this love to us by his teaching, forgiveness and healing. Jesus laid down his life for us so that we would gain eternal life with his Father. In today's second reading, St Paul tells us of the role of Christ in our salvation - it is by faith and through Jesus that we have entered the state of grace in which we can look forward in hope to share God's glory.

We begin each Eucharistic celebration and our prayers with the sign of the Cross...we do it so often that maybe sometimes we don't dwell on the significance of this simple gesture. Each time we bless ourselves, we touch our foreheads in the name of the Father, who is the one who created us. We touch our hearts for the Son who died on the Cross for love of each one of us; we touch our shoulders for the Holy Spirit – the one who empowers us to live the life God has created us for.

All through our life, God is with us. When we sign ourselves in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit, we invite God's protection and presence, and we remind ourselves of the God of love in whose image we are created. The first reading from the Book of Proverbs celebrates the beauty and wisdom of God's creation. Reflecting on the wonders of God's creation that is all around us, and remembering that all human beings are created in the image and likeness of God, we give praise and thanks to God in the words of the Psalm for this Sunday: "How great is your name, O Lord our God through all the earth."

*Sr. Colette*

### Reflection for Parents

The connection of "Trinity" is seen in the relationships of our families. Often the Holy Trinity is referred to as love, truth, and peace. God the Father loves us. Through his Son, Jesus, God's love is revealed. The peace of the Holy Spirit remains with us as a guide in our faith. Our families are also built on these three values: love, truth, and peace. Consider your own family to see where these qualities are noticeable.

### PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL

#### Priest

As we pray to the Father for our needs, we pray in the name of Jesus, the Son, and confident that the Spirit prays with us.

#### Reader

For all Christians: that they may be united in praising and honouring the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit.

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

For all peoples that they may see themselves as one family under God.

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

For all those who are searching for God.

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

For this congregation: that we may see God as a God of love who is always near us, inspiring us to love one another.

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

For those who are suffering the effects of war, famine and persecution in particular the people of Aleppo & Nigeria.

**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

Father, in your gentle mercy, guide our wayward hearts, for we know that left to ourselves we cannot do your will. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

***How great is your name, O Lord our God, through all the earth!***

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

Timothy Dillon, Limerick.  
Jerry O'Mahony, Ventry / Ballincollig.

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

Marguerite Morrissey, Carrigaline.  
Paddy Long, Parknamore.  
Brendan Keohane, Ovens.  
Timothy Murphy, Rockchapel.  
May Keohane, Inniscarra.  
Andy & Molly Nolan, Wicklow.  
James Murphy, Knocknagree.  
Elizabeth & Seán Crowley, Poulavone.  
Bridget & Paddy McGrath, Bansha.  
Ellen (Neil) McDonnell, Donoughmore.  
Denis Jordan, Willow Drive.  
Paddy Deasy, Model Farm Road.  
Shelia Kenneally, Hilton.  
John O'Donovan, Rosewood.  
Pat O'Driscoll, Castlepark.  
Noel McCarthy, Oaklands.  
Dec. members of O'Driscoll & Sisk families.  
Martin Canny, Leesdale.  
Doris Davis, Douglas.  
Eileen O'Mahony, Leevue, Carrigrohane.

**Ballincollig Holy Land Pilgrimage**

Fly Direct from Cork  
16th to 24th October €1,395 pps  
Trip of a lifetime, led by Fr. Joe Nagle, OFM Cap  
Walk in the footsteps of Jesus, in Bethlehem, Galilee, Jerusalem  
and much more.  
For full details phone Group Leader Lar Cunningham on  
021 487 3364 or 087 6823989

**Student's Prayer Card (Ballincollig)**

As I begin to study for the exams I face  
I ask you Lord for the courage and grace  
to meet this challenge and do my best  
to stay calm and focused during the test.  
This prayer I make to you today,  
help me Lord and with me stay

*Kindness is a language which the deaf can hear and the blind can read*  
Mark Twain

**READINGS FOR THE WEEK**

**Eight Week In Ordinary Time**

22 Sunday Prov. 8:22-31. Ps. 8. Rom. 5: 1-5. In. 16: 12-15 Lect I: 615  
23 Monday 1 Pet 1:3-9. Ps 110. Mk 10:17-27. Lect II: 549  
24 Tuesday 1 Pet 1:10-16. Ps 97. Mk 10:28-31. Lect II: 551  
25 Wednesday 1 Pet 1:18-25. Ps 147. Mk 10:32-45. Lect II: 553  
26 Thursday 1 Pet 2:2-5, 9-12. Ps 99. Mk 10:46-52. Lect II: 555  
27 Friday 1 Pet 4:7-13. Ps 95. Mk 11:11-26. Lect II: 557  
28 Saturday Jude 17:20-25. Ps 62. Mk 11:27-33. Lect II: 560

**Next Sunday's Readings 29-May-2016**

Gen. 14:18-20. Ps. 109. 1 Cor. 11:23-26. Lk. 9:11- 17. Lect I: 625

**BAPTISMS**

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

Julian Hryniewicki, The Lawn, Coolroe Meadows.  
Dara John Morgan, Castleknock.  
Brian Guerra, The Brambles, Classes Lake.

**THE SUNDAY READINGS**

First Reading: Prov. 8:22-31  
Wisdom is an attribute of God. The Book of Proverbs identifies God with the Wisdom, which existed before the world was created.

Second Reading: Rom. 5:1-5  
St. Paul reminds us that the love of God has been poured into our hearts by the Holy Spirit.

Gospel: John 16:12-15  
While the term "Trinity" is more the result of early Christian communities than it is scripture, today's Gospel helps us see the interconnectedness of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. This Gospel reveals Jesus' words at the Last Supper. The disciples could not understand the meaning of Jesus' words because they had not yet witnessed the resurrection. But Jesus explained that everything he had taught them and the witness he bore was from the Father. He assured them that he and the Spirit were one and that the Spirit spoke only what had been told by the Father through Jesus? The Spirit would remain with the community until Jesus returned in glory.

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**The Irish Blood Transfusion Service**

Will hold Blood Donor clinics as follows

May 23rd & 24th

Monday & Tuesday in The GAA Pavilion, Ballincollig  
From 5pm – 8.30pm each day

May 25th & 26th

Wednesday & Thursday in Eire Og GAA Hall, Ovens  
From 5pm – 8.30pm each day

Blood Donation is essential to ensure Hospital Patients get the treatment they need. One Donation can save up to 3 Lives Full details of all clinics and on Giving Blood can be found on [www.giveblood.ie](http://www.giveblood.ie) or by telephoning 021 4807400 or 1850 731 137.

**Taize Style Prayer**

All young Adults welcome to join us Wednesday 25th May 7.30pm in Casa Maria (Opposite the Bon Secours Hospital, College Road). Prayer, music, tea and chat. Further details: Anne-Marie Whelan, Evangelisation & Vocations Officer 0872209994 [www.bonsecourssisters.ie](http://www.bonsecourssisters.ie)

**Cuan Mhuire, Farnanes Annual Hillwalk**

18km Fundraising Hillwalk in Ballyheigue, Co. Kerry  
Saturday 25th June

Pre-registration recommended - €20 per adult, family €50  
For further details

Please contact either Catherine or Orla  
on 021-7335994 or [farnanes@cuanmhuire.ie](mailto:farnanes@cuanmhuire.ie)

**Anam Cara Cork**

Are facilitating a Special Remembrance Evening on Wednesday 1st June in the Clayton Hotel, Silver Springs, Tivoli, Cork from 19:30-21:00. This special Remembrance Event is just for bereaved parents. This event will be taking place instead of our usual Parent Evening. To help us plan this event please let us know if you will be attending. We will need you to RSVP to [info@anamcara.ie](mailto:info@anamcara.ie) or 085 2888 888 before Monday 30th May.

**Concert / Workshop**

By Notre Dame University Folk Choir

The University of Notre Dame Folk Choir with their Director Steven Warner are visiting our Diocese on Thursday 26th May to give a concert/workshop at the Honan Chapel, UCC from 12:30pm to 2:00pm. The choir is internationally renowned for its vocal harmonies and their Director for his many compositions of liturgical music including “Set your hearts on the higher gifts”, “Lead Kindly Light” and many more. Every participant will receive a music book to take home with them – so a donation is kindly requested from all who attend. To book places contact Pastoral Development Office 021 4537601 or by email [karen.kent@corkandross.org](mailto:karen.kent@corkandross.org)

*He who truly desires Love, seeks it truly. And he who truly seeks it, surely finds it. And he who finds it has found the Fountain of Life*  
*St. Francis de Sales*

**Bulletin Board**

**Eucharistic Procession**

The procession will be held next Saturday May 28th after the 6pm Vigil Mass in St Mary & St John’s Church. The route will be from the Church to the entrance to Castlepark and back to the green in Church View for Benediction. I take this opportunity to invite you and your family to take part in the Eucharistic Procession. I especially invite you to bring your child who received First Holy Communion recently. It would be appreciated if homes on route of the procession could be suitably decorated in honour of the Blessed Eucharist. Seats will be available near the altar at Church View for the elderly or people suffering from injury.

**Mass Diaries**

Mass Diaries to book Mass intentions for July, August & September will open in both churches on Saturday June 11th at 9.00am. Priority will be given to those booking 1st Anniversary Mass.

**Baptism Preparation**

The next Baptism preparation will take place on Saturday June 11th 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.

**Examination Time**

We ask for your continuing support and prayers for our students as they prepare for their Leaving and Junior Certificate Examinations. May they be successful in their efforts.

**Special Diocesan Collection**

Second collection next weekend Sat/Sun May 28/29 at all Masses in respect of World Meeting of Families.

**Confirmation**

Congratulations to the girls & boys who received the sacrament of Confirmation in Gael Scoil Ui Riordan. Sincere thanks to the parents and dedicated teachers who work diligently preparing young people for the sacrament.

**First Holy Communion**

Congratulations to the Girls & Boys who made their First Holy Communion in Scoil Barra. Sincere thanks to the parents and dedicated teachers who work diligently preparing young people for the sacrament.

**First Holy Communion Dates 2016**

Gael Scoil Ui Riordan Saturday May 28th

Fr. George

*‘A friend knows the song in my heart and sings it to me when my memory fails’*

**MINISTERS OF THE WORD**

May-28 & May-29-2016

**St. Mary & St. John**

**Christ Our Light**

**6:00 pm (Vigil)**  
Muireann Nelligan  
Padraig McAuliffe  
**8:30 am**  
John Healy  
Kerry O'Leary  
**10:00 am**  
Maria Bunyan  
Amy O'Driscoll  
**12:00 Noon**  
Katie Tobin  
Kate Sheehy

**7:30 pm (Vigil)**  
Pauline Collins  
Dyan Ebili  
**11:00 am**  
Maebh Nic Mheanmain  
**12:30 pm**  
Kay Carew  
Jane O'Leary  
**5:30 pm**  
Marlyn O'Connor

**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>	8:30 am
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
9:30 am	<b>Friday</b>	8:30 am
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 Except First Saturday of Month	<b>Saturday</b>	4:30 pm 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. Cian O'Sullivan C.C.	021-4876171

**Funeral Pastoral Team Rota**

23-May-2016 to 29-May-2016  
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.

**A Prayer for those who suffer from Depression**

Dear Jesus, I walk in the valley of darkness for I suffer from depression. I feel unloved, rejected, useless to myself and useless to others. I feel lost in a world I no longer understand. At times, I want to sleep and never wake up again. Lord, I believe that your love is a transforming love. Jesus, Son of David have pity on me.

Out of the depths, I cry to you. Lord, even though I feel nothing, I still praise you for the wonder of my being. You have formed me in my mother's womb and watched over me to this moment. I am precious in your eyes and you love me. On the Cross, you shed your blood for me. You have carved me on the palm of your hand. For all this I give you thanks and praise. May your precious blood give new life to me and to all those who suffer as I do. Take each one of us and hug us to your sacred and loving heart. Through your glorious wounds may we be healed.

Dear Jesus, when you fed the crowd in the desert, you wished to gather up the fragments lest anything be lost. As I wander through a desert and darkness of my own, I ask you to gather up the fragments of this shattered being, lest anything be lost. Through the prophet, Joel, you promise to restore the years that the locusts have eaten. I ask you, lay your hands gently on my weary head and restore me. Let your face shine upon me and give me back the peace, the joy that has been lost.



**MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST**

May-28 & May-29-2016

**St. Mary & St. John**

**Christ Our Light**

**6.00 pm** Eileen Murphy  
Ted Nelligan  
Maurice Bunyan  
Sheila Walshe  
Katie Collins  
Aisling Leahy

**7:30 pm** John O'Donoghue  
Mary Dineen  
Mairead Keenan  
Kay O'Sullivan

**8:30 am** Helen Kelly  
Michael Crowley  
Eileen Corkery

**11:00 am** Mona Bowen  
Diarmuid Horgan  
Bill Barry / Sylvia Manley  
Mary Aylward  
Pauline Baston

**10:00 am** Fionnuala McDonagh  
Mary Buckley  
Fiona Kelly  
Katie O'Shea  
Martin O'Leary  
Andrej Janukowicz

**12:30 pm** Maura O'Driscoll  
Mary Lehane  
Dympna Byrne  
Suzanne Leech

**12 Noon** Ann-Marie Cosgrove  
Phil Kennedy  
Ellen O'Sullivan  
Ursula McAuliffe  
Sally Crowley  
Helen Plunkett

**5:30 pm** Shelia Curran  
Elizabeth O'Sullivan