

THE BALLINCOLLIG PARISHIONER

150 Years



St. Mary & St. John
Station Road

Sunday 25-September-2016

Twenty Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

One of the great preoccupations today is the maintenance of a high standard of living. Today's readings give us a prophetic warning -this life-style leads to complacency and indifference to the needs of the poor. Any such indifference can only earn us the condemnation of God whose mercy for the poor is linked to his judgement of the oppressed.



Christ Our Light
Innishmore

Dismissing Mass!

Antonio Conte is an Italian. He is also the Manager of The Premier League Soccer Club-Chelsea. During a Press Conference a few weeks ago- he was asked what he does in his free time. The Journalist got an answer he did not expect- 'I like to go to Church. Religion is an important part in my life. It has helped me in bad moments'.

When I hear about God or Church or Mass- do I switch off? Is it boring? What helps me in my Bad moments? Who do I turn to?

Sometimes we dismiss Mass. The irony is that the word Mass comes from the Latin phrase- 'to dismiss' or 'to send'. Mass is important to Catholics because we believe – that it is the time that we pray for the living and all those that have died.

God is always there in our Bad Moments- sometimes we are too proud to take his help!

Cian O'Sullivan

Reflection for Parents

Most often we think of ourselves as rich people sharing our resources with those in need, and indeed, that is what we, as Christians, are called to do. But have we ever been the one being served? Perhaps we have not found it necessary to receive material goods from others, but what have others given us out of generosity in the form of time, energy, or actions. Maybe someone sat with us when one of our children was sick, or helped us with some physical chore when our burden was too heavy to carry alone. It might even be a coach or teacher who has helped our children in a generous way. How can the actions of these people help us better live this Gospel message today? What can we give of ourselves?

National Tidy Towns 2016

The results of The National Tidy Towns competition will be announced tomorrow at The Helix in Dublin. We wish our local committee and its many volunteers all the best in their quest for five consecutive Gold Medals.

PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL

Priest

Let us pray to the Lord that he may help us to understand what real poverty and real riches are.

Reader

For Christians: that they may not be indifferent to the needs of those around them.

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

For all those who have received exam results: we pray they will find direction from their parents and teachers.

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

For government leaders: that they may be tireless in their efforts to eliminate poverty.

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

For grace to seek to make ourselves rich in compassion rather than in the things of this world.

**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

Almighty and ever-living God, fill our hearts with your love. Give us the grace to rise above our selfishness, and keep us faithful to you and to one another. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

My soul, give praise to the Lord.

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† IN SYMPATHY †

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

Sheila Murphy, Clonakilty.
 Michael Sliney, Cobh.
 Barry Hurley, Cork/Dublin.
 Paul Gibbons, Highfield.
 Deirdre Deasy, Inniscarra.
 Jim O’Leary, Avoncourt.

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

James & Eileen O’Donovan, Leap.
 Brian Calnan, Coolroe Meadows.
 John Walsh, College Square, College Road.
 Patrick & Joan Linehan, Courtbrack.
 Rona McGlennon, Leedale Drive.
 James Purcell, Kilcrea Park.
 Gwen Daly, Castlepark.
 Josephine & Timothy Murphy, Castle Avenue.
 Breda McSweeney, Beech Road.
 Timothy Cronin, Aherla/Alysbury.
 Brendan Lynch, Greenfields.
 Eileen O’Connell, Turner’s Cross.
 Con Cremin, Glasheen.
 Finbarr Moynihan, Howwodd & Drinagh.
 May Devereaux, Clogheen, Co. Tipperary.
 Joe Guerin, Knocknagree.
 Cecelia Pauline Leahy, Leevue, Carrigrohane.
 Tom Darcy, Aylsbury.

THE SUNDAY READINGS

First Reading: Amos 6:1, 4 - 7
 The First Reading tells how Amos the Prophet criticized those who lived in luxury and neglected the poor. These were people who lived for pleasure and self-indulgence. Amos said these people would be the first to be punished.

Second Reading: Timothy 6:11 - 16
 In the Second Reading, Paul writes to Timothy, a bishop. He asks him to fight the good fight and to keep God’s command. Our calling is the same.

Gospel: Luke 16:19 - 31
 As was often Jesus’ message, today’s Gospel reverses the rich and poor of this world and the next. Lazarus, a poor beggar who was most likely crippled and had open sores that dogs licked, sat every day beneath the window of a rich man. The rich man dined lavishly everyday and completely ignored Lazarus. Eventually, they both died and the angels carried Lazarus to heaven where Abraham held him. The rich man went to hell where he was parched and tormented. Looking up, the rich man saw Lazarus comforted by Abraham and still with arrogant behaviour, asked Abraham to send Lazarus down to dip water onto his tongue. Abraham explained that there could be no crossing from one place to the next and that the rich man was stuck with the consequences of his earthly behaviour. The man knew it futile then to argue for himself but begged Abraham to send someone to his brothers to warn them that they needed to change, or they would end up as he had. Abraham reminded the man that his brothers had already been told all that, and it was now up to them whether or not they believed it. Even the raising of a dead person would not convince them if their hearts were closed.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Twenty Sixth Week In Ordinary Time

25 Sunday Am. 6:1, 4-7. Ps. 145. 1 Tim. 6:11-16. Lk. 16:19- 31. Lect I: 914

26 Monday Job 1:6-22. Ps. 16. Lk. 9:46-50. Lect II: 788

27 Tuesday Job 3:1-3, 11-17, 20-23. Ps. 87. Lk. 9:51-56. Lect II: 791

28 Wednesday Job 9:1-12, 14-16. Ps87. Lk 9:57-62. Lect II: 793

29 Thursday Dan. 7:9-10; 13-14. or Apoc. 12:7-12. Ps. 137. In. 1 :47-51. Lect II: 1205

30 Friday Job 38:1, 12-21, 40:3-5. Ps. 138. Lk. 10:13-16. Lect II: 797

01 Saturday Job 42:1-3, 5-6, 12-17. Ps 118. Lk 10:17-24. Lect II: 799

Next Sunday’s Readings 02-October-2016

Hab. 1 :2-3, 2:2-4. Ps. 94. 2 Tim. 1: 6-8, 13-14. Lk. 17:5-10. Lect I: 917

BAPTISMS

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

Gavin Sean O’Brien, Old Quarter.
 Aoife Mary O’Callaghan, Classes Lake.
 Killian O’Donovan, Innishmore.
 Natasha Tina Sheila Healy-Ley, Castlepark.
 Joseph Kavanagh Vealing, Lisheen Fields.
 Lily Deirdre Vealing, Lisheen Fields.
 Ellie Kate Horgan, Old Fort Gate.
 Jake Kieran Griffin-O’Sullivan, Carriganarra.
 Michael Idowu Enitan Aderogba Afolabi, Tuairín Glas.
 Sophie Anne Spillane, Muskerry Estate.

“Mothers’ Prayers” Group

Continue every Thursday at 10 am.
 At ‘SONAS’, Station Road
 Mothers, Grandmothers, Godmothers all welcome!

An Invitation to Remember...

A Service of Remembrance
 will be held
 By Cork University Maternity Hospital
 On Friday 7th October 2016 at 7.30pm
 In the Sacred Heart Church, Western Road, Cork
 All who have experienced pregnancy or infant loss are
 welcome to attend

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Cork Simon Community

Join The Great Cork Simon Supper this September by hosting a meal at home, work, or in the community to raise funds for Cork Simon Community. Every €150 raised feeds 50 people who are homeless in Cork. Your support will help save lives.

Contact Kate Hargrave on 021 4929 415 or visit corksmon.ie/supper for more information.

Autism Conference

The Cork Autism Conference takes place on October 9th at the Oriel House Hotel, Ballincollig, Cork from 9am until 4.30pm. In this conference 5 highly respected medical practitioners and specialists in autism and Asperger's syndrome share valuable resources for your child, family member, friend, student or yourself. You can avail of a special early bird rate of only €49 until September, 18th.

Find out more details here: www.bookwhen.com/corkautism or call Micheál on 0861719311.

Anam Cara

The organisation that supports bereaved parents, is holding a Bereavement Information Evening on Wednesday 5th of October from 19:30 to 21:30 in the Ambassador Hotel, Military Road, Cork. The guest speaker for the evening is Pat McCarthy. This is a free event. As Anam Cara will need to confirm numbers for teas, coffees, etc, please RSVP to info@anamcara.ie before Tuesday 4th October or call the Information Line on 085 2888 888.

Anam Cara has recently produced some important new resources – all developed by bereaved parents themselves. Our short Anam Cara videos can be viewed here. If you would like a free copy of our Information Pack for Bereaved Parents, please reply with your address and we'll happily post it out to you.

Gougane Barra Sunday,

Year of Mercy,

Today Sunday 25th September 2016.

Rosary will be recited at 2.00 pm.

Concelebrated Mass will be begin at 2.30 pm. Cardinal Seán Brady, Archbishop Emeritus of Armagh, will preach the homily.

To commemorate the Year of Mercy a Gate/Door of Mercy will be created at the entrance to St Finbarr's Island.

Rooms For Rent

For Leisure & Social Activities

Weekdays: 3.30pm – 10.00pm

Community Hall, Station Road ,Ballincollig, Co. Cork

Apply to:

The Secretary, The Presbytery, Station Road, Ballincollig, Co. Cork

Email Address: ballincolligparish@gmail.com

Music Morning

Monthly Music Morning Ballincollig Library will resume on Tuesday next September 27th at 11am and will be presented by Joan Kennelly.

Everybody is welcome and a "cuppa" will be served.

Bulletin Board

Mass Diaries

Mass Diaries to book Mass intentions for October, November & December are now open in both churches.

Baptism Preparation

The next Baptism preparation will take place on Saturday October 22nd 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.

Taize Prayer Group

Taize will meet in Christ our Light Church on Friday at 7pm. All are welcome.

First Holy Communion Dates 2017

Saturday 6th May	Scoil Eoin
Saturday 13th May	Scoil Mhuire
Saturday 20th May	Scoil Barra
Saturday 20th May	Our Lady of Good Counsel
Saturday 27th May	Gaelscoil Ui Riordan

Confirmation Dates 2017

Friday 10th March	Scoil Eoin
Wednesday 5th April	Scoil Mhuire
Friday 28th April	Scoil Barra
Friday 28th April	Our Lady of Good Counsel
Monday 8th May	Gaelscoil Ui Riordan

Envelope Collection for Education of Students

The annual Collection for the Education of Students for the Priesthood will take place this weekend September 24th/25th, 2016 at all Masses. This Collection is the primary means whereby the Diocese funds its students in seminary. You will be aware that over the past three years, the Diocese has had three ordinations to priesthood, we expect another next June and we have, at this time, five other seminarians at Maynooth.

Car Parking at Church of St Mary & St John and Christ Our Light

Please keep to left hand side as you approach the car parks. This is important from a health and safety point of view. Please also be careful of pedestrians who walk to Mass or from their cars to the church. Take care also not to obstruct entrance and exit to the car parks and church doors.

Fr. George

Hope Foundation

Aoife Kelly will be holding a cake sale after 11 am Mass this Sunday, 25th September to raise funds to go towards her trip to Calcutta. All support is greatly appreciated.

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

MINISTERS OF THE WORD

Oct-01 & Oct-02-2016

St. Mary & St. John

Christ Our Light

6:00 pm (Vigil)
Muireann Nelligan
Padraig McAuliffe
8:30 am
Pat Fennell
Kate Healy
10:00 am
Fergal Monahan

12:00 Noon
Katie Tobin
Kate Sheehy

7:30 pm (Vigil)
Fiona Feely

11:00 am
Jack Dorgan
Jacob O'Brien
12:30 pm
Aisling Dore
Clara Herdman
5:30 pm
Christine O'Brien

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
9:30 am	Wednesday	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	

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

26-Sep-2016 to 02-Oct-2016
Brid Dunne
Sr. Colette O'Leary

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-01 & Oct-02-2016

St. Mary & St. John

Christ Our Light

6.00 pm Bernadette Bell
Betty Casey
Frank Riordan
Siobhan Riordan
Pauline Quane
Aisling Leahy

8:30 am Mary Buckley
Theresa Lucey
Mary B. Murphy

10:00 am Joan Tobin
Betty Flavin
Anne Spillane
Betty Sheehan
Anne O'Connell
Con O'Connell

12 Noon Seamus O'Donovan
Eleanor Knowles
Catherine Greene
Joan Barrett
Frances Hogan
Mary O'Leary

7:30 pm Geraldine Lynch
Charlie Vaughan
Joan Stephenson
Bernie Bowen

11:00 am Neil Jeffers
Eileen O'Donoghue
Padraig Fleming
Hugh / Catherine Moran
Imelda Power / Martina Woods

12:30 pm Tom Murray
John O'Regan
Gerard Dunne
Theresa O'Driscoll

5:30 pm Bernard Curran
John Canty

Free DIY Service for Older People

Age Action's Care & Repair programme is providing DIY work free of charge for older people in Cork. The service has been in operation since 2009 and is expanding year on year as demand grows.

Regional Manager John O'Mahony says that at this time of year people start to think about preparing for the autumn and winter months. "In September people begin to think about getting their garden tidied up or getting things like painting done before the evenings get dark and the weather turns."

Often, older people are no longer able to do these types of jobs themselves. At Age Action we have volunteers who can help with DIY jobs around the house. In general if it takes less than about two hours it's something our volunteers would do free of charge.

For bigger jobs that our volunteers can't do, we keep a list of reliable tradesmen whose contact details we can provide for professional quotations.

To inquire about the Care & Repair service or to request a job, simply call Age Action at their new office on the Model Farm Rd.

For more information contact John O'Mahony, Age Action, 021-2067399