

THE BALLINCOLLIG PARISHIONER

150 Years



St. Mary & St. John
Station Road

Sunday 02-October-2016

Twenty Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

Day for Life

Our faith is so often put to the test not just by intellectual doubts but by the difficulties of life. The paradox is that it is only faith that will bring us to life through these trials. It is only faith that allows us to see beyond what we give to what we have already been given by God himself.



Christ Our Light
Innishmore

Increase our Faith

The context for today's gospel is Christ talking about the evil of scandal and bad example. He said to his disciples "Obstacles are sure to come, but alas for those who provide them. It would be better for them to be thrown into the sea with a stone around their neck, than to lead astray one of these little ones. Watch yourselves."

"If your brother does something wrong and says sorry, forgive him. And if he wrongs you seven times a day and seven times comes back to you and says I am sorry, you must forgive him." Lk 17; 4.

The disciples must have been shattered, difficult enough to forgive once a day but expected to forgive seven times! The disciples had left the familiar to walk with Christ every week their faith is tested. Faith is not an object or a thing but a relationship with God. The expression to lose one's faith as we might lose a key or mobile phone is rather silly. Faith is not something one loses, rather we cease to shape our lives by faith.

Each of us should make the prayer of the apostles our own "Lord increase my faith," because it is not enough to keep the faith, we need to grow in faith. Faith has to grow and as it grows it changes. Faith does not grow static no more than any of our relationships remain static.

Faith grows when exercised, faith also grows through regular nourishment. How do we nourish faith, by prayer and contact with the believing community.

George O'Mahony

Reflection for Parents

We often fall into bed at night declaring to the empty darkness, "No one appreciates all I did today." Perhaps it's the lot of parents to spend most of their years in a state of exhaustion, but when those little legs climb up to our laps and tiny hands clutch our necks in a hug, we don't feel quite so weary or burdened. The smile that crosses our lips shows our true appreciation for God's gift and the service we offer is our gift in return.

National Tidy Towns 2016

We compliment Ballincollig Tidy Towns on their tremendous achievement last Monday in the National Tidy towns, securing a fifth consecutive Gold Medal, overall winner of the Cork South West Region and being short listed nationally for the largest best kept urban town.

Well done to all concerned!

PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL

Priest

With confidence in God's love for us, let us bring our needs before him.

Reader

For the pope and the bishops: that they may guide the Church in unity, love and peace.

Lord, Hear us,

Lord, graciously hear us.

For political leaders; that they may speak wisely and act justly.

Lord, Hear us,

Lord, graciously hear us.

For employers: that they may treat their employees justly and for the unemployed that the Lord may sustain their faith and hope.

Lord, Hear us,

Lord, graciously hear us.

For all gathered here: that the Lord may help us to serve him, not out of a sense of duty, but out of love.

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

Teach us, Good Lord, to serve you as you deserve: to give and not to count the cost; to fight and not to heed the wounds; to toil and not to seek for rest; to labour and not to ask for any reward save that of knowing that we do your will. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

O that today you would listen to his voice! Harden not your hearts.

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† IN SYMPATHY †

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

Jerome Keohane, Carrigdenne.
 Alan O’Sullivan, Mayfield/Knockraha.
 Matt Treacy, Dunmanway.
 Mary Cotter, Ballydehob.

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

Tom Darcy, Aylsbury.
 John & Susan O’Driscoll, Carrigdenne.
 Kitty Sheehan, Coachford.
 James O’Sullivan, Kilmichael.
 Margaret Tarrant, Inniscarra View & Millistreet.
 Pat Hallahan, Greenfields.
 Michael Murphy, Rosewood.
 Hannah Dineen, Kanturk.
 Breda McSweeney, Beech Road.
 Audrie Wiseman, Cranford Pines.
 Charlie & Sheila Hegarty, Cahergal.
 Sheila Sexton, Farnanes.
 Ciss O’Connell, Turner’s Cross.
 Peg Collar, Manor Hill & Beara.
 James & Elizabeth Flynn, Durrus.
 Rita Aherne, Clash.
 Mary Linehan, Inniscarra View.
 Maureen Driscoll, Castlegregory.
 Rita Kinsella, Blarney.
 Mai Murphy, Blarney.
 Patrick Barry, Rosewood.
 Nora & Neily Murphy, Kilbarry, Lissarda.

THE SUNDAY READINGS

First Reading: Habakkuk 1:2-3; 2:2-4
 In the first reading, Habakkuk cannot understand why God does not intervene to save his chosen people from their enemies. God himself gives the answer: they need faith.

Second Reading: 2 Timothy 1:6-8, 13-14
 In the second reading, Timothy, a bishop in the early Church, is told to bear witness to his faith.

Gospel: Luke 17:5-10
 Parents often live this Gospel well. Better than most people, they know what it means to "serve" without expecting a reward. For many, parenthood is reward enough. Jesus explained to the disciples in this passage that service was a requirement of discipleship. When the disciples asked how they could have more faith, Jesus explained that faith was a gift. Faith is not something we control, but only something we can appreciate as a gift from God. To show our appreciation, however, Jesus demonstrated through a lesson of service how we could show our thankfulness to God for the gift of faith. When we share our faith with others and demonstrate it by showing the love of God to those we meet, we proclaim our gratitude.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Twenty Seventh Week In Ordinary Time

02 Sunday Hab. 1 :2-3, 2:2-4. Ps. 94. 2 Tim. 1: 6-8, 13-14. Lk. 17:5-10. Lect I: 917
 03 Monday Gal. 1: 6-12. Ps. 110. Lk. 10:25-37. Lect II: 801
 04 Tuesday Gal. 1: 13-24. Ps. 138. Lk. 10:38-42. Lect II: 804
 05 Wednesday Gal. 2: 1-2, 7 -14. Ps. 116. Lk. 11: 1-4. Lect II: 806
 06 Thursday Gal 3:1-5. P. Lk.1:69-75. Lk 11:5-13. Lect II: 808
 07 Friday Acts 1: 12-14. Ps. Lk. 1. Lk. 1: 26-28. Lect II: 1217
 08 Saturday Gal. 3:22-29. Ps. 104. Lk. 11:27-28. Lect II: 812

Next Sunday’s Readings 09-October-2016

2 K. 5:14-17. Ps. 97. 2 Tim. 2:8-13. Lk. 17:11-19. Lect I: 919

BAPTISMS

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

Lucy Patricia Connolly, Muskerry Estate.
 Flynn Oliver Murphy, Carriganarra.
 Alana Robyn Mangan, An Caisleán.
 Akmija Aureja Ziogelyte, Innishmore.
 Siabh Emma Keohane, Westcourt.
 Karlie Evelyn Ward, Citi West Mews.
 Amelia Jane O’Sullivan, Castlepark.
 Ryan Anthony Adrian O’Connor, Lisheen Fields.
 Siofra Mary Bullman, Leesdale.
 Hugh Stephen Doherty, Drogheda.

“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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ChildLine

A listening support service for Children up to the age of 18, has been operating in Ireland for 28 years. It is a free, confidential service that is available 24 hours a day and 7 days a week. Thousands of young people contact ChildLine every year to speak to trained staff or volunteers who will listen and understand them. If you have 4 hours a week to spare and are interested in working with young people please contact Ann Marie Spillane at amspillane@ispcc.ie or 021 455 0605 for further information. Information evenings will be held in October and November. ChildLine is based in Cork City.

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.

Mission Month

We are once again celebrating the Mission Month of October. Mission Month gives us all the opportunity to reflect on our baptismal call to bring Christ to others, which is a privilege in itself. The gift we have been given, we are asked to give. Our gift to the world is the joy of the Gospel and our Irish missionaries continue to bring the Good News to people throughout the world. World Missions Ireland, the working title of the four Pontifical mission societies, organises the Mission Sunday collection in all Churches nationwide. Mission Sunday falls on the 23rd October. Our theme is 'Every Christian is a Missionary'. We can all do our part in an open, joyful and generous way. For further information on WMI or to make a donation please visit www.wmi.ie

Beginning Experience

Are you Separated, Divorced or Bereaved?
Are you coping?
Do you find that you need more support than family and friends can provide?
Come to the next Beginning Experience Weekend
7th – 9th October
Contact 087 9886480
E mail beginningexperiencecork@gmail.com

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

Bulletin Board

First Friday

Friday October 7th is the first Friday of the month. There will be exposition of the Blessed Sacrament in St Mary & St John from 6.30pm to 7.45pm, you are invited to come and spend some time with the Lord. There is Mass in St Mary & St John on Friday evening at 8.00pm. The priests of the parish visit the sick of the parish on the first Friday of each month, please let us know if you have a family member or neighbour who is sick or housebound

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.

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

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

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.

MINISTERS OF THE WORD

Oct-08 & Oct-09-2016

St. Mary & St. John

Christ Our Light

6:00 pm (Vigil)
Niamh O'Riordan

8:30 am
Eadaoin O'Leary
Gerard O'Leary

10:00 am
Cormac Kelly
Ashling O'Shea

12:00 Noon
Roisin Crewe
Emer Wiseman

7:30 pm (Vigil)
Rebecca Feely
Josh Nyagaya

11:00 am
Tomás Buckley
Michael Buckley

12:30 pm
Michelle McCarthy
Gretta Fleming

5:30 pm
Marlyn O' Connor

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

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Fr. Cian O'Sullivan C.C. 021-4876171

Funeral Pastoral Team Rota

03-Oct-2016 to 09-Oct-2016

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.

Carbon Monoxide Awareness Week 2016 - September 26th to October 2nd

The dangers associated with carbon monoxide are promoted to the general public every year through television, radio, press, digital and direct mail advertising. This year, however, in an effort to do something different and to generate greater public engagement on the subject of carbon monoxide, a dedicated Carbon Monoxide Awareness Week began on September 26th and concludes today October 2nd

Importantly, the week was aimed at all carbon fuel users.

Remember, Remember, Remember

There are many messages related to the dangers of carbon monoxide that need to be promoted. For Carbon Monoxide Awareness Week, the public are being asked to remember three things that can help protect them against this silent killer using the mnemonic Remember, Remember, Remember;

Remember The causes – Carbon Monoxide can be produced when ANY fuel is burnt, including oil, gas, wood and coal.

Remember To service – To prevent Carbon Monoxide, ensure your appliances are installed and serviced annually by a Registered Gas Installer, a Registered Oil Technician, or a qualified service agent for your fuel type. Also make sure vents, flues and chimneys are kept clear.

Remember The alarm – Carbon Monoxide is odourless and colourless so for added protection install an audible carbon monoxide alarm. Make sure the alarm complies with EN 50291, carries a CE mark, has an end of life indicator and carries an independent certification mark.

For more information on Carbon Monoxide Awareness Week visit <http://www.carbonmonoxide.ie/> or call 1850 79 79 79.



MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST

Oct-08 & Oct-09-2016

St. Mary & St. John

Christ Our Light

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

8:30 am Theresa Lucey
Tom Butler
Triona Collins

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

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

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

11:00 am Carmel Ryan
Eileen Byrne
Laurence/ Angela Cunningham
Bernadett Spillane
David Mahony / Stella McVeigh

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

5:30 pm Olan O'Mahony
Noel Kelleher