

THE BALLINCOLLIG PARISHIONER

150 Years



St. Mary & St. John
Station Road

Sunday 30-October-2016

Thirty First Sunday in Ordinary Time.

God is full of mercy: he waits patiently for our conversion. No matter how much we may have failed him, he still calls us and encourages us towards goodness.



Christ Our Light
Innishmore

Remembering the Dead

November is an important month in the calendar of the Church. The feasts of All Saints and All Souls are celebrated on the first days of November allowing us to dwell on important aspects of life and faith. These feasts give us an opportunity to pray and reflect on our origin, purpose and destiny. The Church has never been afraid to exhort us to examine the sober, some would say the bitter side of life and faith - death, judgement and the second coming. The readings during the coming Sundays and weekdays invite us to reflect on the last things so that we learn, in ever deeper measure that with the Lord a day is like a thousand years and a thousand years is like a day.

The Church recommends that we visit a graveyard during the first week of November. The recommendation fuses well with the celebration of the feast of All Saints. Among our graves are those who are in that company. They are people - relatives, friends and neighbours - who enlivened the values of the beatitudes in how they lived. To be gentle, to mourn, to hunger for justice, to be merciful are signs of the Kingdom of God in our lives. They did the ordinary things very well. Many of the people we remember during November shaped our lives by their love.

They did not see themselves as potential saints but we recognise that they are tilted in that direction. During the month of November we remember those who travelled before us. They have gone many routes; as parents, widows or orphans, nurse or teacher, as rich or poor person and some heroes have gone the road of suffering. Their lives inspire us. Joan Chittister reminds us, "saints are people like ourselves, reachable figures who have lived well through situations similar to our own, as proof that we too, in all our smallness, can stretch ourselves to the limits of the best in us."

George O'Mahony

Reflection for Parents

Among our children's playmates we may find some who try our patience. It may be that they come from different backgrounds or circumstances than our own family, and we may hold similar reservations regarding their parents. Perhaps today's Gospel challenges us to encounter those who may be outcasts in a more loving way-as Jesus did. In today's Gospel we read the famous story of Zacchaeus. We can take example from the man who was desperate to see Jesus and who welcomed the Lord to his house.

PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL

Priest

Let us pray for some of that open and generous love Jesus showed to Zacchaeus.

Reader

For the Church: that like Christ it may see its primary mission as saving the lost.

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

For the leaders of governments; that they may carry out their responsibility with wisdom and integrity.

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

For the conversion of the rich and the powerful.

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

For all the outcasts of society.

**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 & Iraq.

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Lord, graciously hear us.**

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Lord, graciously hear us.**

Priest

God of mercy and compassion, you never write off anyone. May this give us hope for our own lives, and serve as a model in our dealings with others. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

I will bless your name for ever, O God my King.

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† IN SYMPATHY †

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

Richard O'Regan, Blarney.
Tom Rouane, Manchester.
Angela (Maud) O'Donovan, Manor Hill.
Catherine O'Sullivan, Adrigole.
Kathleen Barry, Hazel Grove.
Sheila Courtney, Glincool.
John Walsh, Ballyphehane.

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

Pat MacManamon, Mayo.
Kathleen Gallagher, Galway.
Olan Kierse, Innismore Lawn.
Frank Cunningham, Mallow.
Padraig O'Callaghan, Oakley.
Darren Twomey, Innishmore Square.
John & Elizabeth O'Callaghan, Ballygown, Killavullen.
John & Eugene Cremin, Inniscarra.
William O'Mahony, Glanmire / Drimleague.
Kathleen Gallagher, Galway.
Danny Szalai, An Caisleán.
Denis McCarthy, Coolroe Meadows.
Tim Horgan, Carriganarra Estate.
Mary & Stephen Murray, Pinecroft Douglas.
Marie O'Flaherty, Coolroe Meadows.
Tadgh O'Donovan, The Cloisters.
Denis O'Mahony, Loreto Park, Douglas.
Michael O'Shea, Carrigrohane.
Donie & Nancy McCarthy, Coachford.
Bridie Langford, Beech Road.
Charles & Julia Dunne, Muskerry Estate.
Cathal Keohane, Rosewood.

THE SUNDAY READINGS

First Reading: Wisdom 11:22 - 12:2
The first reading tells us that we are as nothing before God; yet he created us, he loves us, and he shows us his mercy.

Second Reading: 2 Thessalonians 1:11 - 2:2
The second reading explains why we live with courage and hope--God's power is ours in Christ.

Gospel : Luke 19:1-10.
Children may know just how Zacchaeus felt in today's Gospel story. Have you ever lifted your children to your shoulders so they might see over the crowds at a parade, waiting in a long line, or at a local sporting event? Zacchaeus was short and climbed a tree to get a better look at Jesus. Something surely stirred in his heart because it seems that he may have already given some thought to changing. Jesus reached out to Zacchaeus in friendship, and Zacchaeus responded with generosity and true remorse.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Thirty First Week In Ordinary Time

30 Sunday Wis. 11 :22-12:2. Ps. 144. 2 Thess. 1 : 11-2:2. Lk. 19:1-10. Lect I: 928

31 Monday Phil 2:1-4. Ps 130. Lk 14:12-14. Lect II: 850

01 Tuesday Apoc. 7:2-4, 9-14. Ps. 23. 1 In. 3:1-3. Mt. 5:1-12. Lect I: 999 or Lect II: 1244

02 Wednesday Readings are chosen from the Lectionary for the Dead. Lect I:1002

03 Thursday Phil. 3:3-8. Ps. 104. Lk. 15: 1-10. Lect II: 856

04 Friday Phil. 3:17-4:1. Ps. 121. Lk. 16:1-8. Lect II: 858

05 Saturday Phil 4:10-19. Ps 111. Lk 16:9-15. Lect II: 860

Next Sunday's Readings 06-November-2016

2 Macc 7:1-2, 9-1 4. Ps 16. 2 Thess 2:16-3:5. Lk 20:27-38. Lect I: 930

BAPTISMS

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

Alexander Albert McGuinness, Highfield.
Daniel Patrick Hickey, Greenfields.
Anna Marian Kilroy, Manor Hill.
Niamh Ava Hayes, Muskerry Estate.
Harper Ellen O'Mahony, Classes Lake.
Taylor Paige, Old Quarter.
Seth Osayomore Ugbo, Highfield Park.
Seán Daniel O'Sullivan, Aylsbury.
Lily-Maye Julia McSwiney, Carrigaline.
Cian Patrick Jackson Giltinan, Church Hill.

The Gospel of St Mark

On Monday, 14th November at 7.30pm in the Community Hall, Station Road there will be a talk given by Sineád Cremin on St. Mark's Gospel.
All are welcome.

Remember in November

Take the Short-Term Pledge for the Month of November for deceased family and friends who have gone before us marked with the sign of Faith.
Many people choose to abstain from alcohol for the month of November and offer this prayerful act in honour of their deceased loved ones. You can do likewise!

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Thank You

World Missions Ireland would like to thank most sincerely all in the parish for the very generous contributions to last week's Mission Sunday collection. Monies raised will be an invaluable resource for the continuing work of missionaries throughout the world. We are asked to continue to pray for our missionary brothers and sisters as they bear witness to God's message ;offering hope to the hopeless and a voice to the voiceless . World Missions Ireland is the primary supporter of our missionaries abroad , both spiritually and financially.

For further information on the Society of Missionary Children or to make a donation please visit www.wmi.ie

“Looking to the Future”

Predicting the future is never an exact science, however members of the Ballincollig Parish Pastoral council are planning for the future of the parish and to help with this they would welcome views and opinions from all. Pope Francis is challenging us to be humbler, inclusive and a more caring society.

The life of a parish is about its' people and community and trying to interpret Gospel values for the 21st century. All are welcome to a meeting to explore how such values could be realised and developed in our community.

Further information on Ballincollig Parish website/Facebook page.

Meeting: Community Centre, Station Road
Wednesday, November 16th @ 8pm

Ballincollig Community First Responders

We are holding a Quiz in the GAA on the 18th of November. Tickets will be sold on the door. Cost is €40 per table with 4 persons per table. Robert Farmer will be the quiz master on the night. There will be prizes also on the night. Starting time is 8pm.

The Ballincollig Community First responder scheme once goes live will run in conjunction with the National Ambulance Service. It will deal with Cardiac Arrest and Choking within a 5km radius of Ballincollig. If things get busier we will extend this to deal with chest pain and stroke. It's all about getting to the patient as quick as possible and if needs be providing early CPR. The funds from the quiz night will go towards medical equipment and aids for the group.

The Coeliac Society of Ireland

Cork Support Group

Date : Tuesday 8th November 2016

Place: SMA CENTER Wilton, Cork Time: 8pm

Topic: Christmas themed evening (a bring and taste) with questions and answers how to get through the festive season plus dietician in attendance.

All Welcome. (€5 entrance fee)

Church of The Real Presence - Curraheen

Eucharistic Adoration in Adoration Chapel

Daily Invitation

Monday - Friday 10.00am - 7.00pm

Saturday 12noon - 6.00pm

Bulletin Board

Family Mass (formerly Children's Mass)

The next Children's Mass for children in second class preparing for their first Holy Communion will take place on Sunday October 30th, 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 these children commences in the main body of the church at 10.45am. Small children preschool/infants/1st class 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.

Bank Holiday Monday

Monday October 31st

Morning Mass 9.30am in the church of St Mary & St John

All Saints Day

Tuesday November 1st Holy - Day of Obligation
Masses

St Mary & St John Church

Tuesday 1st November 8.30am, 10.00am & 8.00pm

Christ Our Light Church

Vigil Mass Monday 31st October 7.30pm

Tuesday 1st November 12.30pm & 6.30pm

Taize Prayer Group

Taize will meet in Christ our Light Church on Friday, 25th November at 7pm. All are welcome.

Novena for the Dead – November 2nd to 10th, 2016

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.

Mass in St Oliver's Cemetery November 5th at 2pm

Mass in St Mary's & St John Cemetery November 12th at 12 noon.

The Blessing of Graves in St. James Cemetery, Chetwynd, Togher (Off Bandon Road) will take place on Sunday, 6th November, 2016 at 3.00pm.

Special Mass

There will be a Special Mass to remember all our loved ones who died during the past year on Friday 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. Families and individuals are invited to partake in the Mass.

Fr. George

MINISTERS OF THE WORD

Nov-05 & Nov-06-2016

St. Mary & St. John

Christ Our Light

6:00 pm (Vigil)
Aine Sheehan
Michael Collins
8:30 am
Pat Fennell
Kate Healy
10:00 am
Louise McCarthy
Robert Noonan / Declan Crowley
12:00 Noon
Tony Lynch
Shane Tully

7:30 pm (Vigil)
Pauline Collins
Dyan Ebili
11:00 am
Sorcha Nic Mheanmain
Maire Buckley
12:30 pm
Joseph Manning
Louis Herdman
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	7:30 pm
8:30 am, 10 am & 8 pm	Tuesday	12:30 pm & 6:30 pm
9:30 am & 8 pm	Wednesday	8:30 am & 6:30pm
9:30 am & 8 pm	Thursday	8:30 am & 6:30pm
9:30 am & 8 pm	Friday	8:30 am & 6:30pm
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

31-Oct-2016 to 06-Nov-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

Nov-05 & Nov-06-2016

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

Syria - Peace is Possible

Syria has been ravaged by a brutal civil war since March 2011. The conflict has created a vast humanitarian crisis and continues to destroy people's lives on a daily basis.

The war has knocked on every door in Syria, entered every house, and left behind its traces everywhere, and in every heart. Almost 13.5 million people in Syria are in need of assistance. 6.5 million people have been displaced within their own country and nearly 4.8 million people have been forced to flee to neighbouring countries to seek refuge. More than 230,000 people have been killed and thousands of others have been injured in the five-year conflict.

These numbers are not just statistics. These numbers represent men, women and children. These numbers represent our brothers and sisters in Christ.

Trócaire is responding to the crisis through the Caritas network; a global network of agencies who respond collectively to humanitarian situations in order to maximise impact. Pope Francis has called for an end to the fighting and has highlighted the assistance Caritas agencies including Trócaire, have provided to the Syrian people regardless of their ethnic or religious background. Trócaire has been working with Church and local civil society groups to support people in need with a focus on food and shelter in Aleppo, Damascus, Daraa city and surrounding villages. Through these partners, we are able to access people in government and non-government controlled areas, including people living under siege conditions. We are also providing psychological support to ensure people's safety and dignity.

We in Ballincollig Parish join with Pope Francis in saying:

"You are not aloneDo not lose hope."

Pope Francis, to Syrian refugees on the Greek island of Lesbos, 16th April 2016