

THE BALLINCOLLIG PARISHIONER



St. Mary & St. John
Station Road

Sunday 16-September-2018

Twenty Fourth Sunday In Ordinary Time

The servant of God, who defends God's mercy and truth before others, must be ready to face rejection, violence, even death. Today we are reminded that God supports those who accept a cross - not for its own sake but for the sake of Christ and the gospel.



Christ Our Light
Innishmore

We Begin A New Season!

September has arrived and we leave to memory the long balmy summer evenings. This past summer seems to have had everything, lots of sunshine; great participation success in the various athletic, rowing championships, world cup and many other sports.

During the first week of July a group including thirty six young people made the pilgrimage to Taize where we joined the brothers and more than two thousand others from all over Europe and the wider world in a week of prayer and chants, simple living with an experience of community living and bible study. We arrived home safely on July 8th privileged to have had a great experience.

During July and early August the World meeting of Families gradually grabbed the attention of people of faith. The week leading to the 26th of August with Pope Francis in Knock and chief celebrant of Mass at the Phoenix park helped many to appreciate the gift of family and strive to be a more caring, considerate and compassionate to all in particular to the vulnerable, the unloved and forgotten. The gentleness, forgiving and compassion of Pope Francis is an example and challenge to each of us who call ourselves followers of Christ.

The words of a Taize chant come to mind.
"God is forgiveness, Dare to forgive, the Lord is near".

Fr. George O'Mahony

Thought for Today

Why do people reject other people? Have you ever been rejected for doing what was right or for "not going along with the crowd"? (Remember: God created each of us as unique persons. The person who rejects knowing you is the real loser! He or she is missing a unique creation of God!) What "crosses" do you have to "take up" in your life right now? Will you ask Jesus to help you?

PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL

Priest

We are convicted, challenged and consoled by God's word. Now, we speak our words of petition to God.

Reader

May the Church never fear to keep the Cross of Christ at the centre of her preaching and teaching.

Lord, Hear us,

Lord, graciously hear us.

For those who resist the Christian message out of misguided notions of sincerity, freedom of conscience: may they be guided and enlightened by God's word.

Lord, Hear us,

Lord, graciously hear us.

We continue to pray that the recent World Meeting of Families may bear fruit in our country.

Lord, Hear us,

Lord, graciously hear us.

May the Lord bless every effort made to bring peace, justice and harmony between nations and cultures.

Lord, Hear us,

Lord, graciously hear us.

We pray for those who have gone before us, marked with the sign of faith.

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

With grateful hearts, Father of mercies, we make these and all our prayers. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

I will walk in the presence of the Lord, in the land of the living.

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† IN SYMPATHY †

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE FAMILY AND FRIENDS OF THE RECENTLY DECEASED :Fr. Patrick Harrington, Glengarriff/Cameroon.
Gretta O'Brien, Wyndham Downs.
Carmel Kearney, Parknamore

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

Josephine McCarthy, Westcourt
Ted Collins, Bantry.
Feargal O'Regan, Leemount.
James O'Leary, Curraheen.
Rita Lynch, Beech Park.
Br. Angelus Leahy, Blackrock.
Nuala Delaney, Inniscarra View.
Frank O'Brien, Wyndham Downs.
Jerry McCarthy, Raheen.
Patrick & Joan O'Keefe, Bantry.
Harry & Noreen Lane, Pouladuff.
Josephine & Timothy Murphy, Castle Avenue.
Margaret Sheehan, Kilmurray.
Tommy & Phil O'Dwyer, Thurles.
Con & Bridie O'Sullivan, West Cork.
Lizzie Grant, Waterfall.
Fergal O'Regan, Carrigrohane.
Joan Coakley, Muskerry Estate.
Patsy Finn, Glincool.

MARRIAGES

Congratulations to the following people who were married recently in the parish:

Karen Condon & Evan O'Mahony.
Derek Kelly & Fiona O'Mahony.
Karen O'Brien & Kevin Reilly.
Cillian Burke & Claire McKnight.
Naomi Kavanagh & Peter Lynch.
Colette Myles & Aidan McCarthy.
Elaine Murphy & Cian Matthews.

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READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Twenty Fourth Week In Ordinary Time

16 Sunday Is 50:5-9. Ps 114. Jas 2:14-18. Mk 8:27-35. Lect I: 799
17 Monday 1 Cor. 11 :17-26,33. Ps. 39. Lk. 7:1-10. Lect II: 763
18 Tuesday 1 Cor 12:12-14, 27-31. Ps99. Lk 7:11-17. Lect II: 765
19 Wednesday 1 Cor 12:31-13:13. Ps32. Lk 7:31-35. Lect II: 767
20 Thursday 1 Cor 15:1-11. Ps 117. Lk 7:36-50. Lect II: 769
21 Friday Eph. 4:1-7. Ps. 18. Mt. 9:9-13. Lect II: 1198
22 Saturday 1 Cor. 15:35-37,42-49. Ps. 55. Lk. 8:4-15. Lect II: 774

Next Sunday's Readings 23-September-2018

Wis 2:12, 17-20. Ps 53. Jas 3:16-4:3. Mk 990-37. Lect I: 802

BAPTISMS

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

Réiltín Mary O'Reilly, Model Farm Road.
Aria Jean Byrne, Old Quarter.
Eoghan Jeremiah Cronin, Citi West Mews.
Zoe Reece Crowley, Avoncourt.
Rhys Daniel Owens, Fionn Laoi.
Mia Emma Forbes, Classes Lake.
Joseph Conor Holmes, Bishopstown.
Liam Patrick Quigley, Old Quarter.
Erin Nellie Irwin, Innishmore.
Brendan Máirtín O'Brádaigh, Inniscarra View.

THE SUNDAY READINGS

First Reading: Isaiah 50:5-9

The prophet Isaiah notes the qualities of the Servant of God.

Second Reading: James 2:14-18

St. James reminds us that faith and good works belong together. What good are kindly wishes to those who need clothing and food for today? Faith without good works is dead. Let us be concerned for the people around us who are in need. Good intentions are not enough. The love of Christ urges us to act for justice and peace for all God's people.

Gospel: Mark 8:27-35

Jesus teaches his disciples what they have gradually come to discover: He is indeed the Messiah. But he is a Messiah who must suffer and die. Peter found this hard to accept. For Peter, the Messiah would not, could not, suffer. Judging by human standards, not God's, Peter failed to accept God's will for the Messiah. Jesus assured all his disciples that they, too, must suffer, deny themselves, take up the cross, and follow him.

Scoil Eoin Parents Association

The National Council for the Blind Used Clothing Collection will take place in Scoil Eoin on Tuesday the 18th of September at 10:00am.

Please drop unwanted clothing, paired shoes and household linens to the School Halla on Monday the 17th or before 10:00am on Tuesday 18th of September. Each bag of clothing collected will raise funds for Scoil Eoin and also raise money for the benefit of people with sight loss.

Thank you for supporting this very worthy cause.

Ballincollig Parish Pastoral Council

The Parish Pastoral Council is about the Pastoral, Spiritual and Faith life of all the members of our Parish. It is a hands on group who help to promote and advertise different events in the parish and are involved in organising these events. The Parish Council communicates and works with parishioners of all ages.

Meetings are held throughout the year in the Annex of the Community Hall. The A.G.M. is held annually in September. New members are needed and would be very welcome.

A.G.M. Monday September 24th at 7.45pm in the Annex of the Community Hall

Ordination

Congratulations to Canon Tom Deenihan on his ordination as Bishop of Meath. Prayerful best wishes to him.

Missionary Sisters of the Holy Rosary

The Congregation of the Missionary Sisters of the Holy Rosary (The Killeshandra Nuns) was founded in 1924 by Bishop Joseph Shanahan CSSp to bring the Gospel message to the women of Southern Nigeria. Sisters are presently on mission in Brazil, Cameroon, Ethiopia, Ghana, Kenya, Liberia, Nigeria, South Africa, Sierra Leone, the U.S.A. and Zambia. Srs. MaryRose Crowe and Mary Gallagher will speak at the Masses in Ballincollig on Saturday/ Sunday 22nd/23rd September 2018 to promote Mission Awareness.

Trócaire

Trócaire supports some of the world's most vulnerable people in the developing world, whilst also raising awareness of injustice and global poverty in Ireland. We are a group of committed individuals who meet three times a year in Cork to organise initiatives in our communities for Trócaire. Would you be interested in becoming involved? If so, email volunteering@trocaire.org or visit trocaire.org/ volunteer for more information.

Introduction to centering prayer: Saturday 22nd September 2pm to 5pm (registration 1:30pm) in the Community Centre, Blackpool, facilitated by Sr Aine Ashe and Lesley O'Connor. Donation only. To book a place contact: 087 6719970 or 086 8920302. Tea and coffee provided. This workshop is for those who wish to create their own contemplative lifestyle in today's busy world.

Bulletin Board

Coeliac Hosts

Low gluten hosts are available that are suitable for Coeliac. Please inform the priest prior to Mass if possible if you require it.

Communion for the Sick

Remembering and praying by the family of believers is part of every worship especially the Mass. Ministers of the Eucharist or a priest go from the praying community to the sick with Holy Communion. Please let the celebrant of Mass know when you wish communion to be taken to the sick. Bringing Holy Communion to the sick is both a privilege and a responsibility.

Mass Diaries

Mass Diaries to book Mass intentions for October, November & December are now open in both churches will be given to those booking 1st Anniversary Mass.

Altar Servers

Parents are invited to encourage their children to become Altar Servers in either Christ our Light Church or St. Mary & St. John's Church. Please contact one of the priests or the sacristans.

Fr. George

The following is food for thought...

- The most destructive habit is worry.
- The greatest joy is giving.
- The greatest loss is that of self respect.
- The most satisfying work is helping others.
- The most endangered species are dedicated leaders.
- Our greatest natural resources are our young people.
- The greatest boost we can get is encouragement.
- The greatest problem to overcome is fear.
- The most effective sleeping pill is peace of mind.
- The most crippling parasites to progress are excuses.
- The most powerful force in life is love.
- The greatest soother and comforter is prayer.
- The most dangerous pariah is a gossip.
- The world's most incredible computer is our brain.
- The worst thing to be without is hope.
- The deadliest weapon is a sharp tongue.
- The two most powerful words are 'I can'.
- Our greatest asset is faith.
- The most worthless emotion is self pity.
- The most beautiful attire is a smile.
- The most appreciated word is 'Thanks'.
- The most contagious spirit is enthusiasm.
- To the world you may be one person but to one person you may be the world. Finally, I am never ever on my own. No matter how dark, sad or impossible my personal story is, I can always turn to someone to share my burden.

MINISTERS OF THE WORD

Sep-22 & Sep-23-2018

St. Mary & St. John

Christ Our Light

6:00 pm (Vigil)
Michael Collins
Viktoria Sarkauy
8:30 am
Tom McDonagh
Sean Casey
10:00 am
Lauree Hegarty
Mary O'Driscoll
12:00 Noon
Tony Lynch

7:30 pm (Vigil)
Rebecca Feely
Siobhan Keane / Thomas Gilmore
11:00 am
Joseph Buckley
Rory Doherty
12:30 pm
Aisling Dore
Sarah O'Connell
5:30 pm
Marlyn O'Connor

MASS TIMES

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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
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Funeral Pastoral Team Rota

17-Sep-2018 to 23-Sep-2018

Tim Murphy
Siobhan Glavin

Social / Coffee Mornings

Friday morning tea/coffee will be discontinued for June/July and August. We hope to return in September..



MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST

Sep-22 & Sep-23-2018

St. Mary & St. John

Christ Our Light

6.00 pm Steve Wills
Bernadette Bell
Frances O'Brien
Eileen Coughlan

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

8:30 am Mary Buckley
Denis Healy
Tom Butler

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

10:00 am Christy Roche
Mary O'Regan
Elaine Crowley
Claire Creedon
Jim Lordan

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

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

5:30 pm Noelle Buckley
Mary Breen
Valerie Barry
Margaret Kelly

The Link between Liturgy and Life

The Church has a vital role to play in shaping responsible citizens with moral character and with a willingness to contribute to the well-being of society. The liturgy and worship of the Church have much to do with these admirable goals. At divine worship, people receive the grace to help them to be formed ever more closely to Christ. The saving grace of the dying and rising of Christ are communicated to us in the Sacraments so that we might live more perfectly Christ's truth and virtues such as love, justice, mercy and compassion.

Every Mass ends with the mission to go forth and serve the Lord. This sending means that the love of God and neighbour and the moral implications of the Beatitudes and the Ten Commandments should be witnessed by the participants in everyday life. People of faith know that their liturgical experience provides a unique spiritual vision and strength for making this a better world.

The lives of the saints provide ample evidence of this truth. Saints of every age have improved healthcare and education and fostered the human dignity of the poor, the oppressed and the society at large. Saints attribute their remarkable energies to the power that comes from prayer and above all from the Sacraments, especially the Eucharist.

(Irish Catholic Catechism for Adults)