

# THE BALLINCOLLIG PARISHIONER



St. Mary & St. John  
Station Road

## Sunday 20-October-2019

Twenty Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Mission Sunday

*The enemies of Jesus try to put him on the horns of a dilemma. Would he offend the Roman occupiers or the sensitive Jewish nationalism? Jesus rises above the situation by reminding them, that God is the supreme authority but yet we all have duties to the civic society in which we live.*



Christ Our Light  
Innishmore

### Mission Sunday

Presently preparations for the coming of the Holy Spirit in the Sacrament of Confirmation are gathering momentum. I hope that most parents are trying to help their daughters and sons to prepare to welcome the Holy Spirit. Many of the young people have expressed a desire to "to come closer to God". "Coming closer God" is a challenge for all of us believers. We might all make a start by chatting of times when I feel closer to God. Last Monday the teachers of the various sixth classes in the primary schools had an in-service day dealing with the themes and approach of the "Grow in Love" programme. This in-service was led by Dr. Dan O'Connell from Mary Immaculate College in Limerick. Question from a confirmation pupil why do we stand for the Gospel? We stand ready to go at once and put Jesus teaching into effect in our activities, our relationships and our activities. We stand ready to heed the Lord's command – "Go make disciples of all peoples".

Talking about being close to God another question is what image of God do I have. This might be a topic for Advent. We can get help from the Gospels or perhaps by using some of our Christian Icons to help us visualise my image of God and perhaps to refine and even change our image of God.

Copies of the Safe guarding Newsletter are available in both churches again this weekend. Safeguarding is creating safe environments for children and vulnerable adults and those working with them.

*Fr. George O'Mahony*

### Reflection for Parents

What happens when our children pester us long enough for something? If it's not life threatening and they've bugged us long enough, we usually find a way of giving in without losing face. We know just how the judge in Luke's Gospel felt! Let the story of the persistent widow strengthen your prayers. Even if they are not answered in just the way we ask, God hears our prayers and cares for us.

### Time Change

Winter Time begins on Sunday morning 27th October when clocks go back one hour at 2:00 am.

### PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL

#### Priest

On this Mission Sunday, let us pray confidently to the Father, who wants all people to be drawn into the life of his Son.

#### Reader

On this Mission Sunday, let us pray confidently to the Father, who wants all people to be drawn into the life of his Son.

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

For missionaries who serve in difficult or dangerous situations, that God's providence may surround them and that they may find hope and joy in their work.

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

That Christians in wealthier countries may well and generously fund the missionary work of the Church.

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

That those amongst us from other nations may experience the gospel in action.

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

For all the deceased, especially for deceased missionaries, that they may rest from their labours and enter into God's light.

**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

We thank you, Father, for calling us to live by your grace and for sending us into the world as disciples. May we be true and faithful missionaries. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

*Our help is in the name of the Lord who made heaven and earth.*

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† IN SYMPATHY †

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

Una Hegarty, Westgate/Douglas.  
Eileen O’Sullivan, Bandon.  
Eddie Walsh, Dungarvan.  
Seán Clohosey, Midleton.

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

Tim & Sheila Coakley, Castlehaven.  
Sheila Walsh, Castlepark.  
Durcan / O’Sulliivan Family, Clash Road.  
Padraig O’Callaghan, Oaklee.  
Dan & May Dwyer, Leo Murphy Terrace.  
Breda O’Donoghue, West Village.  
Jim Callaghan, Galway  
Jim & Nora Hanniffy, Galway.  
Tom & Rosaleen Scanlan, Bishopstown.  
Orla Murphy O’Mahony, Greenfields.  
Nancy, Martin & Pat Ginnane, Shanakiel/Kilkenny.  
Jeremiah O’Leary, Knockburden.  
Bridie Mulqueen, Rosewood.  
Con Delaney, Kilnaglorry.  
Gertrude & Michael Riordan, Glasheen Road.  
Bridie Hourihan, Caheragh.  
Joe Guerin, Knocknagree.  
Margaret O’Leary, Curraheen.  
Hannah O’Sullivan, Rosewood.  
Conor Quinlan, Glanworth, Carrigtwohill.  
Denis McCarthy, Coolroe Meadows.  
Kathleen Allen, Rosewood.  
John O’Flynn, The Powdermills.

**SVP Appeal for Church-Door Collectors**

*Dear Parishioner*

We are looking for your help as we are finding it very difficult to maintain the monthly church-door collections due to a shortage of volunteers.

This is a very important source of SVP funds which enables us to continue our ongoing support to those in need in our community. Would you be willing to help us for 15 - 20 minutes before Mass once a month? This is all we ask.

If you can help us at all, please contact Ms Anne McKernan on 021 4270444 / 086-0249518.

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READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Twenty Ninth Week In Ordinary Time

20 Sunday Ex. 17:8-13. Ps. 120. 2 Tim. 3: 14-4:2. Lk. 18: 1-8. Lect I: 922

21 Monday Rom. 4:20-25. Ps. Lk. 1: 69- 75. Lk. 12: 13-21. Lect II: 376

22 Tuesday Rom. 5:12,15,11-19. Ps. 39. Lk. 12:35-38. Lect II:378

23 Wednesday Rom. 6:12-18. Ps. 123. Lk. 12:39-48. Lect II: 380

24 Thursday Rom. 6:19-23. Ps. 1. Lk. 12:49-53. Lect II: 382

25 Friday Rom. 7:18-25. Ps. 118. Lk. 12:54-59. Lect II: 384

26 Saturday Rom. 8:1-11. Ps. 23. Lk. 13:1-9. Lect II: 386

**Next Sunday’s Readings 27-October-2019**

Eccles (Sir) 35: 12-14, 16-19. Ps 32. 2 Tim 4:6-8, 16-18. Lk 18:9-14. Lect I: 925

**BAPTISMS**

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

Dylan Patrick Daniel Ring O’Herlihy, Greenfields.  
Olan Hegarty, Parknamore.  
Agata Jadwiga Swiecichowska, Model Farm Road.  
Liam Thomas McNulty, Church View.  
Liam Laurence O’Leary, Beech Park.  
Leah Mary Margaret O’Callaghan, Poulavone.  
Ronan James Landers, Alysburry Downs.  
Kayden Jeremiah Kwong, Cranford Pines.  
Éthan Gabriel Stephenson/O’Reilly, Alysburry.  
Lillian May Boland, Classes Lake.

**THE SUNDAY READINGS**

First Reading: Exodus17: 8 - 13

The first reading for today gives an example of persistence in prayer. As long as Moses continued to pray, the Jews were victorious in battle; when he stopped praying, they began to lose.

Second Reading: 2 Timothy 3:14 - 4:2

In the second reading, Paul tells Timothy, the bishop, to remain faithful to his teachers and to Scripture. We, too, must be faithful to tradition and revelation.

Gospel: Luke 18:1-8

Like a relentless child, the widow in Jesus' parable wouldn't give up. She continually begged the judge for justice against her opponents. Not because the judge wanted to see justice done, but because he grew tired of the woman's pleading, he granted her request. The point Jesus wanted to make with this story is how much our loving God will answer our prayers if we persist in our asking.

**Holy Rosary**

The Holy Rosary will be recited at 7.30pm every Monday night for the month of October at the grotto in Curraheen. All are welcome.

**The Face of Christ**

Sometimes our hearts may be troubled and we may worry about our future, not only in this life but also the eternal salvation of our souls. Everyday affairs and material concerns seem to almost overcome us as we strive to stay afloat in the turbulent waters of our daily life.

The world may weigh heavily upon our shoulders as we search among a sea of crowded faces for a friendly countenance. We seek perhaps someone to talk to, to tell our troubles to, someone with whom we can share our problems, but sometimes we do not know where to turn. Our friends are too busy with their own lives, our relatives and neighbours have their own troubles, our husbands may be work-weary, our wives house tired. What do we do? Where do we go for consolation? To whom can we confide our sorrows?

The answer may appear simple to one who knows. We turn to our eternal Father who has provided us with the necessary knowledge and wisdom to attain that serenity and peace of the soul that is ours for the asking, the spirituality that we can see (if we look) in the face of our fellow man, in the old, wrinkled face of a neighbour or stranger, or a child's face. Indeed, if we take the time to look closely, we will see the face of Christ. We will remember His promise of eternal life and the great love that he revealed to us by sending his only Son to die for our sake. He raised Him from the dead so that we should know and trust in Him who has provided an eternity in heaven. We should heed what Jesus said to a (doubting) Philip: "Have I been with you all this time....and you still do not know me? (John 14:1-12)

**Prayer for Healing**

Father God, we humbly pray for all those who are fighting cancer. Give them the hope and courage they need each day. Comfort them in their pain and bless them with healing. Strengthen their family, friends and caregivers. In Jesus' name. Amen.

St. Padre Pio pray for us.



Can You Spare an Hour or Two  
To HELP US  
Annual Flag Day 8th November 2019  
Areas: Wilton Shopping Centre  
Blackpool Shopping Centre  
Douglas Court Shopping Centre  
And City Centre  
Contact: 021-4274229 and Ask for Charlotte/Marion

**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.

**Family Mass**

The next Children's Mass for children in second class preparing for their first Holy Communion will take place on Sunday 20th October 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.

**Envelope Collection Mission Sunday**

Envelope collection for the propagation of the faith will be taken up at all churches this weekend 19th & 20th October.

**Cemetery Masses**

Mass in St Oliver's Cemetery Saturday November 2nd at 2pm

Mass in St Mary's & St John Cemetery Sat. November 9th at 12 noon

**November Novena for the Dead - Both Churches**

2nd – 10th 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. Envelopes are available in both churches

**Diocesan Envelope Collection**

The quarterly Diocesan envelope collection which was taken up last weekend amounted to €2,880. We thank you for your support and generosity which is very much appreciated.

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**Autumn Dues**

The priests of the Parish would like to thank you for returning the Autumn Dues Envelopes. Your continued support is much appreciated.

**Fr. George & Fr. Cian**

**Safeguarding**

The Diocese ensures that all children involved in parish activities are safe and cared for. We have in place; parental / guardian consent forms for all activities, code of conduct for both children & adults, sign in and out registers, gardai vetting for all adult helpers/leaders every 5 years. Visit [www.corkandross.org/safeguarding](http://www.corkandross.org/safeguarding) to find out more.

**MINISTERS OF THE WORD**

Oct-26 & Oct-27-2019

**St. Mary & St. John**

**Christ Our Light**

**6:00 pm (Vigil)**  
Niamh O'Riordan  
Ciara O'Sullivan  
**8:30 am**  
Pat Fennell  
Kate Healy  
**10:00 am**  
Ashling O'Shea  
  
**12:00 Noon**  
Emer Wiseman

**7:30 pm (Vigil)**  
Nonyi Ebili  
  
**11:00 am**  
Joseph Buckley  
Rory Doherty  
**12:30 pm**  
Laura O'Leary  
Sarah O'Connell  
**5:30 pm**  
Tom Reck

**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	<b>Saturday</b>	4:30 pm
Except First Saturday of Month		First Saturday of Month
12:45 pm	<b>Sunday</b>	

**PARISH CLERGY**

Priest on Duty	087-2479140
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Oct-26 & Oct-27-2019

**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  
Mary B. Murphy

**10:00 am** Betty Flavin  
Anne Spillane  
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** Sheila O'Connor  
Brid Healy-Harris  
Kit Cahill  
Mary Murphy

**11:00 am** Angela Cunningham  
Laurence Cunningham  
Eileen Byrne  
Bernadett Spillane  
David Mahony

**12:30 pm** Eileen Garvey  
Betty Walsh  
Theresa O'Driscoll

**5:30 pm** Sheila Curran  
Margaret Kelly  
Noelle Buckley

**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.