

# THE BALLINCOLLIG PARISHIONER



St. Mary & St. John  
Station Road

## Sunday 27-October-2019

Thirtieth Sunday In Ordinary Time

*The Pharisees fault was not gratitude for doing good but contempt for those less successful, a lack of humility before the grace of God. Paul too could 'boast' and give thanks that he had kept the faith, but he recognised that this had not been simply his own doing but because 'the Lord stood by me.' We too should thank God for any good we have been able to do. It is with his help that we do it, and it gives us no grounds for complacency or a sense of superiority.*



Christ Our Light  
Innishmore

### ***The Pharisee and the Tax Collector***

Today's second reading is one of the better-known passages of the New Testament. "The time has come for me to be gone. I have fought the good fight to the end. I have run the race to the finish. I have kept the faith". May we be worthy to have these words engraved on our tombstone?

We can be reluctant to let others see us as we see ourselves. Occasionally we may meet somebody with whom we can be open, and know we will be accepted. With whom have you that kind of relationship? What is it like to have that freedom? Likewise, with God when we come to pray pretending to be better than we are we are hiding from God. What difference does it make when I pray to God acknowledging my faults and failings? Have we found that in prayer when I am humble, God lifts me up?

The parable today is cautionary about judging others negatively. Perhaps God who looks into the heart sees another picture.

During the month of November, we are reminded and encouraged to pray for our dead. From the earliest time, the church has honoured with respect the memory of the dead. When we pray for our dead we thank the Lord for the promise of resurrection and renew our hope of eternal life.

*Fr. George O'Mahony*

### ***Reflection for Parents***

We are very important in the lives of our children, but do we allow them to see us walk humbly with God? Do we allow them to see us on our knees and hear us admit our weaknesses to God? Consider how you might represent the tax collector to your children. How might they see you like this Pharisee?

### ***Bank Holiday Monday***

**Monday October 28th**

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

### **PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL**

#### **Priest**

The first reading tells us that the humble person's prayer pierces the clouds, and so we pray with confidence.

#### **Reader**

May the Church, in her preaching not fear to hold the unjust to account.

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

For human judges, and for those who interpret and enforce our laws; may they be people of integrity and justice.

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

For those who find it difficult to obtain justice for wrongs they have experienced or crimes they have suffered.

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

For the dying, that they may experience kindness and compassion; and may those who care for them show something of God's own care and kindness.

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

For those who have died, especially they recently deceased of our own communities and families; that they may find a merciful judge and enter eternal life.

**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**

Look kindly on us, your servants, O Lord, as we make these and the unspoken prayers of our hearts. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

***This Poor Man Called; The Lord Heard Him.***

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† IN SYMPATHY †

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

Joseph Manning, Classis Lake.  
 Sr. Eilís Lenihan, Dominican Convent, Dublin/Shanballymore.  
 Liam Drinan (Ó Draighneáin), Turners Cross.  
 Maureen O'Reilly, Glasheen.

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

Marie O'Flaherty, Coolroe Meadows.  
 James Dillon, Sunday's Well.  
 Patrick Byrne, West Court Heights.  
 John & Eugene Cremin, Collyduff.  
 Maureen Hayes, Glencolmcille, Donegal.  
 Carmel O'Leary, Bantry.  
 Louis Nolan, Clash.  
 Ann O'Connell, Westcliffe.  
 John O'Callaghan, Fr. Sexton Park.  
 Billy Kelly, Fr. Sexton Park.  
 Tim Horgan, Carriganarra Estate.  
 Maud O'Donovan, Manor Hill.  
 Beth Walsh, Inniscarra View.  
 Patsy Finn, Glincool.  
 Joe Fitzpatrick, Currabeg.  
 Betty O'Regan, Crookstown.  
 Mary Downey, The Lough.  
 Sheila Collins, The Lough.  
 Michael Gaffney, Castle Avenue.  
 Eileen Nolan, Carlow.  
 John Russell, Boston/Drimoleague.  
 Sheila Courtney, Glincool.  
 Jim, Kay & Frank Murphy, Pine Walk.  
 Olan Kierse, Innishmore.  
 Joe, Betty & Goretti Le Blanc, Ballincollig

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Thirtieth Week In Ordinary Time

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

28 Monday Eph. 2:19-22. Ps. 18. Lk. 6:12-19. Lect II: 1242

29 Tuesday Rom 8:18-25. Ps 125. Lk 13:18-27. Lect II: 390

30 Wednesday Rom 8:26-30. Ps 12. Lk 13:22-30. Lect II: 392

31 Thursday Rom. 8:31-39. Ps. 108. Lk. 13:31-35. Lect II: 394

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

02 Saturday Is 25:6-9. Ps 26. Rom 5:5-11. Mt 11:25-30. Lect I: 1002

**Next Sunday's Readings 03-November-2019**

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

**BAPTISMS**

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

Sydney Musau Lufuluabo, Greenfields.  
 Sephora Okenge Lufuluabo, Greenfields.  
 Shane MacCarron, Westcourt..  
 Noah Joseph Daly, Waterfall.  
 Shay Patrick Banks Fitzsimons, Leevview.  
 Rosie Ellen Carroll, Crookstown.  
 Róisín Connie O'Donovan, Willowgrove.  
 Harry Olan Kierse, Crookstown.  
 Cara Elizabeth McCarthy, Coolroe Meadows.

**THE SUNDAY READINGS**

First Reading: Sirach 35:12-14, 16-19  
 God does not listen only to the powerful. If someone prays humbly and sincerely, God listens, and God acts.

Second Reading: 2 Timothy 4:6-8, 16-18  
 Paul says he has kept the faith and God stood by him. The conclusion to his life will be a crown of glory in heaven. That same promise is ours.

Gospel: Luke 18:9-14  
 From time to time our children live in a "me first world," but Jesus wasn't too impressed with the self-centeredness of the Pharisee in today's Gospel. The Pharisee was quite certain that he was a good and righteous man—better than most. For sure, he was better than the tax collector. But as Jesus often did in his teachings, he turned society's ideas upside down. It was really the humble tax collector recognizing his own sinfulness that Jesus said would be exalted.

**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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**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.

**Safeguarding**

The Diocese ensures that all children involved in parish communicating the Church’s safeguarding message, policies and procedures is an important role of the safeguarding committee. On the safeguarding page of the Diocesan website [www.corkandross.org/safeguarding](http://www.corkandross.org/safeguarding) you will find our safeguarding plans, policies and guidance. We have also produced a safeguarding newsletter and an information leaflet on Human Trafficking which will be available soon in the church and on the website.

**Music Morning**

The monthly Music Morning in Ballincollig Library will take place next Tuesday, 29th October at 11.00am. Denis O’Callaghan will be the presenter. Everyone is welcome and a cuppa will be served.

**Life After Death**

November is a month in which the Church reminds the Faithful of our dead. It calls on the praying Church on earth to offer prayer and sacrifice for those who have gone before us in the sign of Faith. There is a danger today that people can believe that our departed relatives may not need our prayers, but this danger must be avoided. Death, for many, is a fearful event because it precedes the judgement. Jesus spoke very clearly and consistently about a final judgement.

The judgement spoken of by Jesus is not to be understood as a once-and-for-all event in the future. God’s judgement is already at work in the present, calling us to live lives in harmony with our nature as children of god.

If we see God’s judgement as acting also in the present, death will lose its fearful significance. St. John does not use the term ‘hell’ but speaks of punishment in terms of darkness and exclusion from God. St. Paul does not use any fiery images but speaks of eternal destruction and banishment from the face of God. Hell is the final loss of God’s life and friendship. But already in life we can exclude ourselves from friendship from God. In life, however, there is hope of change. We can once again respond to God’s love.

Jesus tells us that Heaven is the reward of the virtuous. It is the complete fulfilment; it is what we were created for. Judgement, Hell and Heaven are not events that occur after death; they already begin here when we answer yes or no to God’s invitation to love Him



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**Bulletin Board**

**All Saints Day**

Friday November 1st Holy Day of Obligation  
Masses

St Mary & St John Church Friday 1st November  
8.30am, 10.00am & 8.00pm

Christ Our Light Church

Vigil Mass Thursday 31st October 7.30pm

Friday 1st November 12.30pm & 6.30pm

**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.

**Cemetery Masses**

**Mass in St Oliver’s Cemetery**

Saturday November 2nd at 2pm

A shuttle bus will be available from St. Mary and St. John’s to St. Oliver’s cemetery, starting at 12.30pm for arrival at 1pm.

Passengers will receive a pass on the outward journey to ensure a place on the return journey.

**Mass in St Mary’s & St John Cemetery**

Saturday 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

**Envelope Collection Mission Sunday**

The envelope collection for the propagation of the faith which was taken up at all Masses last weekend amounted to €800.00. We appreciate your continued generosity.

**Special Remembrance Mass**

There will be a Special Mass to remember all our loved ones who died during the past year on Monday 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.

**Autumn Dues**

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

**Baptism Preparation**

The next Baptism preparation will take place on Saturday November 30th at 12.00 noon in the Library Room, Community Hall, Station Road.

**Fr. George & Fr. Cian**

**MINISTERS OF THE WORD**

Nov-02 & Nov-03-2019

**St. Mary & St. John**

**Christ Our Light**

**6:00 pm (Vigil)**

Ben Purcell  
Alicia Leahy  
**8:30 am**  
John Healy  
Kerry O'Leary  
**10:00 am**  
Rory Horgan  
Kate Greene  
**12:00 Noon**  
Declan Chalmers

**7:30 pm (Vigil)**

Fiona Feely  
Thalia Greaux  
**11:00 am**  
Kristian Calvert  
Amy Ni Chearbhaill  
**12:30 pm**  
Kay Carew  
Abi Slattery  
**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**

No Mass

9:30 am

**Tuesday**

8:30 am

9:30 am

**Wednesday**

8:30 am

9:30 am

**Thursday**

8:30 am & 7:30 pm (Vigil)

8:30 am, 10 am & 8 pm

**Friday**

12:30 pm & 6:30 pm

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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Nov-02 & Nov-03-2019

**St. Mary & St. John**

**Christ Our Light**

**6.00 pm** Pat Moore  
Marie Healy  
Margaret Kearney  
Nora Barry  
Joan Tobin

**7:30 pm** John O'Donoghue  
Mary Dineen  
Mairead Keenan  
Kay O'Sullivan

**8:30 am** Triona Collins  
Tom Butler

**11:00 am** Mary Aylward  
Pauline Baston  
Diarmuid Horgan  
Sylvia Manley

**10:00 am** Mags Bunyan  
Mary Murphy  
Breda Monaghan  
Mary Hennigan

**12:30 pm** Maura O'Driscoll  
Mary Lehane  
Dympna Byrne  
Suzanne Leech  
Mona Bowen

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

**5:30 pm** Shelia Curran  
Elizabeth O'Sullivan

**UCC's Relevance to You**

A series of insightful, intellectually stimulating and thought provoking short talks delivered by leading UCC academics on their research and how the outcomes impact on society and on your life.

The event will be chaired by Dr Jean van Sinderen-Law, Associate Vice President, and will consist of four or five diverse topics, delivered in an informative and stimulating way by UCC academics. The session will conclude with an opportunity for you to comment, provide input and to exchange ideas.

This event will take place in the Banking Hall of UCC Centre for Executive Education (Originally Cork Savings Bank) at No. 1 Lapps Quay from 17:30 to 19:15.

**Thursday November 28th**

- Professor Fiona Kearney: Museums do it with lights on – learning through seeing
- Professor John O'Halloran: Dipping dippers: local responses to global challenges
- Professor Thia Hennessy: What's the beef? Is there a future for livestock agriculture? Professor Cian O'Mathuna: The future of sensors: Sensing the future

Following the talks, there will be a facilitated discussion from the audience followed by tea/coffee and networking.

Booking on Eventbrite: <https://www.eventbrite.ie/e/uccs-relevance-to-you-series-tickets-72665673987>