

# THE BALLINCOLLIG PARISHIONER



St. Mary & St. John  
Station Road

Sunday 11-June-2023

The Body and Blood of Christ  
*Corpus Christi*

*The sacrifice of Christ re-united us with God, once for all.  
Every time we celebrate the Lord's Supper and receive his  
body and blood then through him our union with God is  
renewed.*



Christ Our Light  
Innishmore

## *Our Journey Through May*

Each weekend in May, we celebrated First Holy Communions in our Family of Parishes. Thankfully, the weather was fine and it added to the joy and festivity of these days. I had gotten to know three of these groups through school visits and so it was extra special to see them reach this important moment in their faith lives. Usually at First Holy Communions, I have a 'Question and Answer' session instead of a homily. I find it keeps the candidates more engaged but also it's amazing just how well they can appreciate the mystery of the Eucharist. Through Holy Communion, they told me, we 'grow closer to Jesus', we 'grow in love' and we 'grow as his followers'. I was reminded that Jesus gives us his body as food for us because he loves us. Holy Communion nourishes us and helps us to show love to one another (having joined together around the same altar). And, finally, that we celebrate Mass because Jesus asked us to 'do this in memory of me'.

The First Communion children have an openness to mystery that we can sometimes lose when we get older.

This weekend, we have an opportunity to celebrate Mass and then join in procession (at the 6 pm Vigil). It's a good reminder for us that our faith is not something we reserve to Mass on a Sunday or Saturday evening. Our faith overflows onto the streets of our lives. Jesus walks with us on that journey, as he does during the Eucharistic procession this weekend.

May all who walk in the procession be reminded of the closeness of the Lord to their lives. And may we all come to a greater sense of awe and love for this gift of God for us.

*Fr. Ronan Sheehan*

## ***Eucharistic Procession in Ballincollig Parish***

The Eucharistic procession will take place on Saturday 10th of June, leaving St. Mary and St John's Church following the 6.00 pm Mass, proceeding down Station Road onto main street, turning at Castlepark and returning to the green opposite the church for benediction. ALL ARE WELCOME. A special invite to all the children who received their First Holy Communion in 2023 and also a special invite to all in our family of parishes: Ballinora, Ovens, Farran and Ballincollig. Walk humbly with our God.

### ***Novena to the Sacred Heart***

A Novena to the Sacred Heart is taking place in the Sacred Heart Church, Western Road, Cork from Thursday June 8th to Friday June 16th 2023 daily at 10am & 8pm. Thurs. 8th June to Sun. 11th June - Bro. Barry (Alexian Bro). Fr. Manus Ferry MSC Mon. 12th to Thurs. 15th June. Frances Hogan Thurs 15th (3pm to 5pm), Friday 16th June.

### ***Mass at St. Michael's Cemetery***

Mass at St. Michael's Cemetery Blackrock will be held on Wednesday 28th June at 7.30 pm. Family members, friends and neighbours of all those buried in St. Michael's Cemetery are invited to attend. Please bring your own chairs as seating will not be provided. In the event of bad weather Mass will be celebrated in Holy Cross Church. Extra Parking and toilet facilities in St. Michael's GAA grounds.

### ***Ballincollig Alzheimer Café***

are meeting on Thursday, 15th June from 4.00pm – 6.00pm in The Chapel Gate Café. Helena Quaid is the speaker on the day and I think she will be very informative as she is caring and supporting her husband Kevin who has early onset Dementia. Due to summer holidays there won't be a July or August Café but we will be returning again as normal in September for our monthly Cafés. Hope to see many of you on June 15th at Our Ballincollig Café. To register contact: Karen Fitzpatrick 087 348 7511 or ballincolligalzheimer-cafe@alzheimer.ie

*Please note new Emergency/Priest on Duty in Parish Number is: 087 4021357*

*You are a priest forever, a priest like Melchizedek of old.*

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† IN SYMPATHY †  
 PLEASE PRAY FOR THE FAMILY AND FRIENDS OF THE RECENTLY DECEASED :  
 George Meade, Carriganarra Est./Carriganarra

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE REPOSE OF THE SOULS OF THE FOLLOWING WHOSE ANNIVERSARY OCCURS:  
 Joan Daly, Ballyburden.  
 Rena O'Connor, Beech Road.  
 Fr. George O'Mahony P.P.  
 Raymond Lockhart, Ovens.  
 Mai & Pat Barry, Inniscarra  
 Kevin Crowley, Maglin/Main St.  
 Denis Horgan, St. Theresa's Road.  
 Pearl Collins, Brighton/Dunmanway.  
 Pat Joe O'Sullivan, Ballineen.  
 Thomas O'Sullivan, Kanturk.  
 David, Frank & Margaret Rea, Lower Glanmire Road.  
 Virginia Datu.

First Reading: Gen 14:18-20  
 The story of Melchisedech, priest who offers bread and wine and receives God's blessing, is often understood as a foreshadowing of the Eucharist, which we celebrate.

Second Reading: 1 Cor 11:23-26  
 This is St Paul's account of Eucharistic celebration in the early Church.

Gospel: Luke 9:11-17.  
 Jesus continued to teach the crowds that had gathered until late in the day when his disciples came to him and said that Jesus should let the crowd go so that they might find food and a place to stay. Jesus told the disciples to feed the crowd themselves, but they knew it would be impossible because they only had five loaves of bread and two fish among them. Jesus instructed the disciples to divide the people into groups of fifty. Jesus took the five loaves and two fish, blessed and broke them and shared them among the people. Not only was this food sufficient for the crowd but they had twelve baskets of leftovers.

**Deacons in Cork & Ross**  
 The Diocese of Cork & Ross invites those who feel a call to be deacons to make contact with its' Co-Ordinator of the Permanent Diaconate, Fr. Bernard Cotter, Co-PP, Union Hall, by text or WhatsApp on 087 901 0627. Full information on the role of deacons is given on our diocesan website ([www.corkandross.org/vocation/the-permanent-diaconate.](http://www.corkandross.org/vocation/the-permanent-diaconate)) Please pray that those called to the ministry may respond

**Ballincollig Church Cantor**  
 Tony O'Brien available with accompanist  
 To sing at funerals and weddings in Ballincollig.  
 Tel. No.: 085 706 7564

READINGS FOR THE WEEK  
 Tenth Week In Ordinary Time

11 Sunday Deut. 8:2-3, 14-16. Ps. 147. 1 Cor. 10:16-17. Jn. 6:51-58. Lect I: 617

12 Monday 2 Cor 1:1-7. Ps 33. Mt 5:1-12. Lect II: 124

13 Tuesday 2 Cor 1: 18-22. Ps 118. Mt 5: 13-16. Lect II: 126

14 Wednesday 2 Cor 3:4-11. Ps 98. Mt 5:17-19. Lect II: 128

15 Thursday 2 Cor 3:15-4:1, 3-6. Ps 84. Mt 5:20-26. Lect II: 130

16 Friday Deut. 7:6-11. Ps. 102. 1 In. 4:1-16. Mt. 11: 25-30. Lect I: 628

17 Saturday Is. 61 :9-11. Ps. 1 Sam. 2. Lk. 2:41-51. Lect II: 1043

18-June-2023 2 Sam 12:7-10, 13. Ps 31. Gal 2:16, 19-21. Lk 7:36-8:3. Lect I: 866

**Mass Times for week ahead**

St. Mary & St. John		Christ Our Light
8:30 am & 10 am	Sunday	11 am & 12:30 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
6 pm (Vigil)	Saturday	7:30 pm (Vigil)

**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.

**Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament**  
 There will be Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament at 3 p.m. until 4 p.m. In St. Mary & St. John's Church every Friday.

**Meditation**  
 Meditation continues every Tuesday in Ballincollig Community Hall after 9.30am Mass. Please feel free to join any Tuesday.

**Rosary**  
 Family Rosary is on every Sunday at 9.15am in St. Mary & St. John Church.

**Cork Pilgrimage to the Holy Land**  
 Last remaining places for special Cork Pilgrimage to the Holy Land at Christmas 2023 taking in Bethlehem, Jerusalem, Nazareth, Dead Sea, Sea of Galilee, Last Supper Room, Garden of Gethsemane, Mount of Olives with full day in Bethlehem on Christmas Day.  
 Contact: James Treacy 061921470. E  
 mail: [jamestreacyphotography@gmail.com](mailto:jamestreacyphotography@gmail.com)

**LECTIO DIVINA**  
 Lectio Divina will resume again in September.

**Poor Clare Vocations Afternoon**  
 The Poor Clare Sisters on College Road are having a Vocations Afternoon on Saturday 17th June from 2pm – 4pm.  
[www.poorclarescork.ie](http://www.poorclarescork.ie)  
 Email: [vocationspoorclarescork@gmail.com](mailto:vocationspoorclarescork@gmail.com)