# THE BALLINCOLLIG PARISHIONER



St. Mary & St. John Station Road

## Sunday 05-May-2024

Sixth Sunday of Easter What is truth?' asked Pilate. Many people today would rather ask, 'What is love?' We find the answer not in ourselves but only in God. He loves us in giving us his Son. His Son loves us in giving up his life for his friends. This is God's love and we are called to imitate it.



Christ Our Light Innishmore

## Bishop Buckley marks 40 years as bishop



Bishop John Buckley

On April 29th,1984, Bishop Jojhn Buckley was ordained as Auxiliary Bishop of Cork and Ross.

Bishop Fintan Gavin has paid tribute to Bishop Buckley for his dedication to his ministry and to the people of the Diocese.

"I'm grateful to Bishop John for all his kindness and support to me since I came to Cork and I congratulate him on his 40 years of episcopal ministry. I wish him many more years of health and happiness," Bishop Fintan said.

Bishop John Buckley was born in Inchigeela (Uibh Laoire parish) in West Cork.

He studied for the priesthood at St. Patrick's College, Maynooth and was ordained a priest in 1965.

Bishop continues to serve in the diocese and is conferring Confirmation on some of the young people of the parishes again this year.

## Recruiting Cleaners (St. Mary & St. John's Church)

Ministers of the Eucharist and Ministers of the Word We would be very happy to hear from those who would like to become Ministers of the Word and Ministers of the Eucharist. Training will be provided. Volunteers required for Church cleaning in St. Mary & St. John's Church. Monday nights usually @ 7pm – duration approx. 1 hour. Please give your name to the Parish Office by email or text. Tel.: 089 400 8181 or ballincolligparish@gmail.com

## Part-Time Administrator for Ballincollig Parish O**ffi**ce

'Ballincollig Parish office requires an administrator. Good computers skills required to help maintain office services. Dealing with emails, letters, filing systems. and taking messages. Databases and record keeping of financial and personal information.' Person must be eligible for Community Employment. Closing date to apply for position 24/05/2024. Any questions, please contact Ballincollig Youth & Social Project on 087 183 2033.



## Life in the Spirit

Ballincollig Parish is delighted to host a 'Life in the Spirit' seminar across six Friday evenings, beginning Friday May 10th. Each evening begins at 8 p.m. and concludes with tea at 9:30 p.m. These will take place in the Church of Christ Our Light, Innishmore, Ballincollig, on Fridays May 10th, 17th and 24th, and June 7th, 14th, and 21st.

Open to adults seeking to explore further their faith and how God is alive today in our lives. Each night includes prayer, music, and talks from an experienced team of lay people. Registration not required. For further information, email Father Ronan Sheehan CC: fr.ronan2022@gmail.com

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

## The Lord has shown his salvation to the nations.

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† IN SYMPATHY † PLEASE PRAY FOR THE FAMILY AND FRIENDS OF THE RECENTLY DECEASED : Kathy McCarthy, Leemount. Brien Twohig, Muskerry Est.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE REPOSE OF THE SOULS OF THE FOLLOWING WHOSE ANNIVERSARY OCCURS OR **OTHERWISE REMEMBERED:** Mary Murray, Carrigrohane. Hannah Annould. Gary Hartnett, Rosewood. Kathy & Jack Hartnett, Rosewood. Tom Murray, Aylsbury. Dan & Nora Murray, Dooniskey/Mallow. Catherine & Jeremiah Cunningham, Dillon's Cross. Pat & Patricia O'Donovan, Raheen. Kathleen & Robert Curthbert, Douglas. Michael Ahern, Albert Road. Dec. Mem. of the Quinlan family, Glanworth. Martin Moore, Beech Park. Essie Buttimer, Toames, Macroom.

#### THE SUNDAY READINGS

First Reading: Acts 10:25-26, 34-35, 44-48. Saint Peter lays down the principle that God chooses his elect no matter what their nationality. All are acceptable if they are in the right disposition. While Peter was speaking the Holy Spirit descended on the Gentiles. It is the only case of the reception of the Holy Spirit before baptism.

#### Second Reading: 1 John 4: 7-10

The love of God and of the neighbour are so closely related that one cannot exist without the other. When God decided to restore mankind to his original supernatural state his love knew no bounds. He sent his only son into the world to lay down his life for our sins. This was an act of purest love.

#### Gospel: John 15: 9-17.

The observance of the commandments is the real proof of that union of wills that is called love. Jesus reduces his commandments to one:" that you love one another, as I have loved you." The standard is Jesus' own love.

## **Ovens Parish Vacancies**

A vacancy will arise shortly in Ovens Church for the separate part time posts of: 1. Sacristan, 2. Secretary. For further details, applicants to apply in writing to the Parish Office, St. John the Baptist Church, Ovens on or before May 7th.

## Baptism Ministry Team

A new year new beginnings. We hope to relaunch this wonderful ministry to help prepare couples, bringing forward their children for Baptism. We will be supported in this goal by the Diocesan office of Ministry & Mission, assisting us with training and ongoing support. We would like to invite those interested in exploring this initiative to contact any member of the parish team. READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Sixth Week In Ordinary Time

05 Sunday Acts 10:25-26, 34-35, 44-48. Ps 97 1 Jn 4:7-10. Jn 15: 9-17. Lect I: 536

06 Monday Acts 16:11-15. Ps 149. Jn 15:26-16:4. Lect I: 542

07 Tuesday Acts 16:22-34. Ps 137. Jn 16:5-11. Lect I: 544

08 Wednesday Acts 17:15, 22-18:1. Ps 148. Jn 16:12-15. Lect I: 546

09 Thursday Acts 18:1-8. Ps 97. Jn 16:16-20. Lect I: 560

10 Friday Acts 18:9-18. Ps 46. Jn. 16:20-23. Lect I: 562

11 Saturday Acts 18:23-28. Ps 46. Jn 16:23-28. Lect I: 564

#### Next Sunday's Readings 12-May-2024

Acts 1:1-11. Ps 46. Eph. 1:17-23. or Eph 4:1-13. Mk 16:15-20. Lect I: 552

MASS TIMES	
	Christ Our Light
Sunday	11 am, 12:30 pm
Monday	No Morning Mass
Tuesday	8:30 am
Wednesday	8:30 am
Thursday	8:30 am
Friday	8:30 am
Saturday	7:30 pm (Vigil)
	Sunday Monday Tuesday Wednesday Thursday Friday

## **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 pm to 4 pm 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. *First Holy Communion* 

Please pray for the boys and girls in Scoil Barra and Scoil Mhuire who will receive the sacrament of Holy Communion on Saturday, 11th May. Sincere thanks to the parents and dedicated teachers who work diligently preparing young people for the sacrament.

#### Confirmation

Congratulations to three teenage parishioners, Luis, Luis, and Jose Maria, who will be confirmed by Bishop Fintan Gavin at the 12:30 Mass in Christ Our Light this Sunday 5th of May. The parish of Ballincollig is indebted to Mrs Breda Bowe for helping to prepare the candidates for the sacrament of Confirmation. Bank Holiday Monday

Monday 6<sup>th</sup> May morning Mass 9.30am in the Church of St Mary & St John only – There is no 8.30am Mass in Christ our Light Church.

## Darkness into Light 2024

Darkness into Light 2024 will take place on the morning of Saturday May 11th 2024. The walk will leave from Ballincollig Community School at 4.15 am. You can register online. All support will be greatly appreciated.