

# THE BALLINCOLLIG PARISHIONER



St. Mary & St. John  
Station Road

Sunday 29-September-2024

Twenty Sixth Sunday In Ordinary Time  
*The ways of God cannot be confined within the limits of narrow human ideas. We must be ready to see his Spirit working in unexpected places, we must never be closed to the goodness in others. At the same time we must be ready to turn drastically away from the evil in ourselves.*



Christ Our Light  
Innishmore

## XVI General Ordinary Assembly of the Synod of Bishops

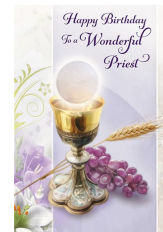
From 2nd October to 27th October, a special candle will be lit during each Mass until the close of the Synod. We stand before You, Holy Spirit, as we gather together in Your name. With You alone to guide us, make Yourself at home in our hearts. Teach us the way we must go and how we are to pursue it. Let us find in You our unity so that we may journey together to eternal life and not stray from the way of truth and what is right. All this we ask of You, who are at work in every place and time, in the communion of the Father and the Son, forever and ever.  
Amen.

### St Bernadette Relic Tour Schedule for the Diocese of Cork & Ross

30/10/2024	Cathedral of St Mary & St Anne, Cork City
31/10/2024	Church of the Immaculate Conception, Clonakilty

### First Friday

Friday 4th October is the first Friday of the month. There is Mass in the church of St. Mary & St. John on Friday evening at 7.30pm. The priests of the parish visit the sick of the parish on the first Friday of each month; please let us know if you have a family member or neighbour who is sick or housebound.



We wish Fr. Ronan Sheehan a Happy Thirtieth Birthday.

### Ballincollig Parish Family Mass

You and your family are invited to celebrate our special Family Mass which will take place today Sunday, 29th September at 12.30pm in Christ Our Light Church. We warmly welcome all families to join us and if any younger members of families would like to be active participants in the Mass, we would be delighted to hear from you. We wish to encourage young children and teenagers to actively engage in the celebration of the Mass, for example as readers, altar servers, prayers of the faithful, singing and bringing up the gifts. The Family Mass, is a spiritual and special occasion which provides an opportunity for us to gather together to welcome the Divine and to help us in our daily family lives. If you would like your child to be an active participant in the Mass, please contact the Family Mass group at 087 2284212 or email Nora Corkery on corkeryn@gmail.com We look forward to seeing you on Sunday 29th September.

### Gougane Sunday

You are invited to Gougane Barra on today Sunday 29th September to mark the Feast of St Finbarr. Mass at 3pm preceded by the Rosary at 2.30 pm. This year in Gougane Barra, the Diocese of Cork and Ross will be launching the year of prayer, listening and discernment as we plan for the future. Bishop Fintan looks forward to seeing you in Gougane Barra.



### Thought for Today

Love is one of those things that grows in itself. The more you give, the more it grows. There probably is no scientific way to measure why love works that way, but we just know it does. The same is true with acts of kindness-which in a way are the same thing as love. Like the person exorcising demons in Jesus' name, the more the better. That's how Jesus saw it, even though the disciples in their human jealousy and desire for ownership thought the person was an intruder. We see this in our own lives and try to pass it on to our children. It's hard to be mean to someone who just said, "I love you," or gave you a hug, or climbed up on your lap. As we try to get along with other people and teach our children to get along with siblings, friends, and classmates, we will make significant progress by acting and reacting in kindness and love.

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

*The precepts of the Lord gladden the heart.*

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† IN SYMPATHY †  
PLEASE PRAY FOR THE FAMILY AND FRIENDS OF THE RECENTLY DECEASED :

Annie Twohig, Ballinora.  
Anita Power, Coolroe Heights.  
Mary Murphy, Farran/Scoil Mhuire.  
John Mullane, Kanturk & Brisbane.

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

Peggy O'Driscoll, Carriganarra House, Ballincollig.  
Derry Barry-Murphy, Greenfields.  
Kitty Kavanagh, Ministers Cross.  
Sheila & William O'Dwyer, Kilmichael & Ballincollig.  
Margaret Callinan, Blackrock.  
Brendan Cuthbert, Douglas & Blackrock.  
Tony Cuthbert, Douglas & Blackrock.  
Michael Cuthbert, Douglas & Blackrock.  
Michael Green, The Paddocks.  
Con Cagney, Beech Park.  
Jim Purcell, Kilcrea Park.

*THE SUNDAY READINGS*

First Reading: Numbers 11:25-29  
Today we hear how Moses allowed two good men to continue their work. Even in the desert, there was freedom among God's People; Moses was a leader, not a dictator.

Second Reading: James 5:1-6  
People who have money and power sometimes discriminate against the poor; they may live in luxury and not pay fair wages. Such selfishness is a serious sin; today's reading tells why.

Gospel Mark 9:38-43  
Today in the Gospel Christ frowns on the exclusivism of the Apostles, today exclusivity is a real temptation within the church. In our communities there are many little ones, weak, ill-instructed people whose faith we sometimes dismiss as puerile. Nothing authorises us to reject or despise them. Still less may we scandalise them, as though, having the monopoly of the Spirit, we were free to do what we liked.

**Funeral Ministry Team Formation**

The Office for Mission and Ministry will be offering three formation sessions for new teams and for new members of existing teams in Sacred Heart Parish Hall, Western Road, Cork on Tuesdays, October 8th, 15th, and 22nd from 7.30pm to 9.00pm. For more details and to register please visit <https://corkandross.org/mission-and-ministry/funeral-ministry-team-formation> or by contacting the Office at 021-7355517.

**Young Adult Ministry - Foundations in Theology'**

The Diocese of Cork and Ross, working together with UCC Chaplaincy and the Presentation Brothers LEAF Project, are organizing a new 10-week introductory course exploring the fundamentals of our Christian faith, which is called 'Foundations in Theology'. This is an exciting opportunity to delve more deeply into the foundations of Christian Theology. This 10-week introductory course is designed for young adults aged 18-35 years and will be led by local theologians. It will take place in Mardyke House, Cork, T12W8P, beginning on Wednesday 2nd October 2024, from 6 – 8pm, and will run for 10 consecutive weeks. Each session will begin with food and refreshments. To sign up or for more information, please email [youthministry@corkandross.org](mailto:youthministry@corkandross.org)

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Twenty Sixth Week In Ordinary Time

29 Sunday Num 11:25-29. Ps 18. Jas 5:1-6. Mk 9:38-43, 45, 47-48. Lect I: 804

30 Monday Job 1:6-22. Ps. 16. Lk. 9:46-50. Lect II: 788

01 Tuesday Job 3:1-3, 11-17, 20-23. Ps 87. Lk 9:51-56. Lect II: 791

02 Wednesday Ex 23:20-23. Ps 90. Mt 18:1-5, 10. Lect II: 1212

03 Thursday Job 19:21-27. Ps26. Lk 10:1-12. Lect II: 795

04 Friday Job 38:1, 12-21, 40:3-5. Ps 138. Lk 10:13-16. Lect II: 797

05 Saturday Job 42:1-3, 5-6, 12-17. Ps 118. Lk 10:17-24. Lect II: 799

Next Sunday's Readings 06-October-2024

Gen 2:18-24. Ps 127. Heb 2:9-11. Mk 10:2-16. Lect I: 807

MASS TIMES

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 & 7:30 pm	Friday	8:30 am
6:00 pm (Vigil)	Saturday	7:30 pm (Vigil)

**Bulletin Board**

*Coeliac Hosts*

Low gluten hosts are available and suitable for Coeliac's. 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 in the Ballincollig Community Hall on Tuesday mornings after 9.30am Mass. New members welcome.

**Support Collection for Seminarians and Deacons**

The annual collection for the Priesthood Education Fund in the Diocese will be taken up at all Masses this weekend 28th/29th September.

*First Saturdays Conference*

There will be a special First Saturdays Conference on Saturday, October 12th (10am to 4pm) in the Firgrove Hotel in Mitchelstown. Sr Lucia of Fatima explained the importance of this devotion by saying that whether there is peace or war in the world depends on the practise of this devotion. We sure live in very turbulent and troubled times. There will be Mass and four speakers: Dr Katrina Layden, Fr Jaimie Twohig, Christine O'Hara and Fr Marius O'Reilly. We will also pray the Rosary, and do the 15 minute meditation together. Bring your own lunch or eat in the hotel carvery. For more details see [firstsaturdays.ie](http://firstsaturdays.ie)

*Ballincollig Alzheimer Café*

Will take place on Thursday the 17th of October, from 3pm-5pm, in the Chapel Gate Café, Ballincollig, P31XP38. This month's topic is "The Importance of Exercise for the Brain", with Guest Speaker HSE Physiotherapist, Kate Ross.