

THE BALLINCOLLIG PARISHIONER

Sunday 09-November-2025



St. Mary & St. John

Thirty Second Sunday In Ordinary Time.

The Dedication of the Lateran Basilica

The cathedral of Rome is dedicated to our Saviour, under the intercession of John the Baptist and John the Evangelist. All of us we baptised into Christ; all of us receive the word of life through the Scriptures; all of us belong to the body of Christ; the Church and we all eat the one bread and drink the one cup. Our local communion -constituted by faith, community, scripture and the sacraments — is part of a greater family, under the bishop of Rome.



Christ Our Light
Innishmore

“You are God’s Temple”

The Dedication of the Basilica of St John Lateran is celebrated today. This Basilica is the Pope’s Cathedral Church as Bishop of Rome. Every Church building plays a key role in the Christian community. It is the place where we gather before the presence of the Lord, to pray, to celebrate the Eucharist and to receive the Sacraments. The Church building is therefore a visible symbol of the greater Church which is the Body of Christ.

In today’s second Reading, St Paul reminds us ‘you are God’s building’ and being God’s Temple, the Spirit of God is living among us. Our church buildings may be made of stone, but we are the ‘living stones’ who build up the living Church. Like stones in a building, if one weakens, the entire building is affected. As individuals and as a community, we are all essential for the growth of the Body of Christ. As temples of God’s Spirit, we are expected to show a deep respect and reverence for the sacredness of each person we encounter. St Paul warns us: ‘if anybody should destroy the temple of God, God will destroy him/her, because the temple of God is sacred; and you are that temple’.

For all those who died during the past year, we thank God for the many ways they have enriched our families, our parish community and our life of faith. They too were ‘living stones’ building up our community. The faith and love that bound us together with them in life still binds us with them in their new life.

We also remember all those who are experiencing the deep emotional pain of grief during this sad and lonely time in their life. Jesus Himself knew what it was to mourn the loss of a loved one as he wept at the death of Lazarus. He, who came to comfort Martha and Mary at the death of their brother, is united in grief with all those who mourn today. As a parish community, we support you in prayer, praying that your faith will sustain you and that God will comfort and strengthen each of you in this time of sorrow.

Emmaus Café - Require Full Time Manager

Cork Cathedral Family of Parishes invites applications for the post of Café Manager in the Parish of SS Peter and Pauls.

Are you passionate about fostering community, hospitality and providing exceptional service?

Have you a high level of understanding of and commitment to the ethos and values underpinning our community?

Emmaus Café, a welcoming café, is seeking a dedicated and enthusiastic Café Manager to lead our team and create a vibrant atmosphere for our guests.

If you are ready to lead a dedicated team and create a space where conviction and community thrive through coffee and conversation, we want to hear from you!

The person appointed to this post will be aware of the ethos of Ss Peter Paul’s Parish and will respect that ethos in the discharge of their contractual duties.

How to Apply:

Please send CV to arrive not later than: 8 pm on Sunday 16th November, 2025.

To: Moderator, c/o Cathedral Presbytery, Roman Street, Cork. Email: jodonovan@nce.ie

Shortlisting may apply.

For further details please go to www.indeed.com or www.corkcathedralfop.ie

Stand 4 Féile Fundraiser

“Blarney Brass & Reed Band” will perform a concert of Christmas & other Favourite Music on Sunday 14th. December at 7pm at Scoil Mhuire Gan Smal, Blarney, Co. Cork. Fabulous spot prizes, weekends away, and many other spot prizes on the night! Tickets €15 at the door! Doors open at 6.30 pm! Enquiries to Mary O’Shea Wrenne at 086 8461118.

Cork International Choral Festival

Presents Choral Christmas Cheer on Friday 28th November 7.30pm at Christ our Light Church, Ballincollig. Featuring: Mary Hegarty, Soprano with: Siomha Marrión and Ronan O’Leary. Guest Groups: Social an Spioraid Naoimh Cailini Choir, Bishopstown, CADA Performing Arts, Scoil Mhuire Choir, Ballincollig, Cantabile (12.30 Mass Group), The White Horse Gospel Choir. Directed by: Catherine Mahon- Buckley. Tickets €26.00 available at: www.corkchoral.ie Contact: Neil Bowen. Email: n.bowen1953@gmail.com Telephone: 087-2503609.

Parish Number for Priest on Duty is: 087 4021357

My soul give praise to the Lord.

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† IN SYMPATHY †
PLEASE PRAY FOR THE FAMILY AND FRIENDS OF THE RECENTLY DECEASED :
Maureen Roche, Inniscarra View.
Liz O'Brien, Ballincollig & Cork City.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE REPOSE OF THE SOULS OF THE FOLLOWING WHOSE ANNIVERSARY OCCURS:
Nora O'Callaghan, Carrigrohane.
Eileen Carmody, Castlepark.
Ian Carmody, Castlepark.
Teddy O'Callaghan, Carrigrohane.
Margaret & John Sexton, Bweeng.
Tom Murphy, Mallow.
Margaret Flanagan, Castlepark.
Donagh McCarthy, Castle Avenue, Muskerry Estate.
Larry Power, Wyndham Lawn, Ballincollig.
Gerald & Chriss Lenihan, Ballyvolane.
John & Hanna O'Connor, Dingle.

First Reading: Ezekiel 47:1-2,8-9.12
For the King of Israel, Solomon, the temple was a place of God's presence, a place where he would dwell. So it is today.

Second Reading: Cor. 3:9-11. 16-17
The universal Church is a new temple in Christ. God's people are where God is dwelling.

Gospel: John 2:13-22
It is not clear what precipitated Jesus' reaction at the temple. In what would appear to be a fit of anger, Jesus used a whip to drive out the animals, and overturned tables sending coins, people, and animals scurrying in all directions. The people took Jesus' words literally and because of their immature faith, they were looking for signs. That is why in this Gospel where Jesus says he will destroy the temple but raise it back up in three days, people were dumbfounded. The temple had been under construction for over forty years and was still not complete. It is no wonder when they heard that Jesus would raise it up in three days, that they could not comprehend his meaning. They lacked the faith to understand that Jesus referred to the raising of his own body in three days, a temple they did not recognise.

Singers Wanted!

Our church choir in the church of St. Mary & St. John is looking for new members. Men and women singers wanted. All levels welcome. Come sing, laugh, and make new friends in a fun, supportive group. Contact us after 10am mass on Sunday or join our rehearsals every Tuesday at 7pm in St Mary & John church. Love to sing?. Come give it a try, no audition needed.

Thought for Today

Why do we admire people who "give their all"? What does "giving my all" mean to me in my life? Do I give my all to my family? to my studies? to sports? What does it mean to "give my all" to God?

Ballincollig Alzheimer Café

The Ballincollig Alzheimer Cafe will take place on Thursday the 20th of November from 3:00PM to 5:00PM at Chapel Gate Café, Ballincollig, Cork P13 XP38. This month's guest speaker is Tom Murray and will be giving advice on "Nursing Home, Fair Deal". Alzheimer Cafés provide a warm and welcoming space for people with dementia, their families, friends, and healthcare professionals to meet, exchange ideas, and learn from one another.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Thirty Second Week In Ordinary Time

09 Sunday Ez. 47:1-2, 8-9, 12, Ps. 45. 1 Cor.3:9-11,16-17. Jn. 2:13-22. Lect II:: 1250 or Lect I:1006

10 Monday Wis 1:1-7. Ps 138. Lk 17: 1-6. Lect II: 412

11 Tuesday Wis. 2:23-3:9. Ps. 33. Lk. 17:7-10. Lect II:414

12 Wednesday Wis. 6:1-11. Ps. 81. Lk. 17:11-19. Lect II:416

13 Thursday Wis. 7:22-8: 1. Ps. 118. Lk. 17:20-25. Lect II:418

14 Friday Wis. 13: 1-9. Ps. 18. Lk. 17:26-37. Lect II:420

15 Saturday Wis. 18: 14-16, 19:6-9. Ps. 104. Lk. 18: 1-8. Lect II:422

Next Sunday's Readings 16-November-2025

Mal. 3:19-20. Ps. 97. 2 Thess. 3:7-12. Lk. 21:5-19. Lect I: 934

MASS TIMES

St. Mary & St. John		Christ Our Light
8:30 am, 10 am	Sunday	11 am, 12:30 pm
9:30 am & 7:30 pm	Monday	No Mass
9:30 am	Tuesday	No Mass
9:30 am	Wednesday	8:30 am
9:30 am	Thursday	8:30 am
9:30 am	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.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

There will be Adoration 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 morning after 9.30am Mass. New members welcome.

Youth Ministry Special Collection

The Youth Ministry Special Collection will take place this weekend of November 8th and 9th, 2025. It is important for us to support and encourage our young people in every way we can and encourage them to take part in their local Parish. This collection directly supports the work of Sheila Kelleher, our Diocesan Youth Ministry Coordinator, and the many volunteers dedicated to nurturing faith among our youth. Over the past year, new initiatives have taken root, including Altar Server Workshops, Alpha Youth (fostering collaboration between schools and parishes), Maranatha (a faith-based high-energy music event for Post-Primary school students), the continuation of the Sycamore & Foundations in Theology programmes, Lourdes pilgrimage, the Jubilee of Youth and Connect (for young adults). Please be as generous as you can as we cannot do this without your support. Investing in our young people is vital for the future of the Church.

ETB Talk on November 26th

BCS is promoting awareness and opportunities to students on post-Leaving Cert courses in the Cork area. We will have stands/ booths from Colleges of Further Education and Apprenticeship from 6:30 PM on November 26th, followed by a presentation given by John Fitzgibbons, Director of Further Education and Training.