

THE BALLINCOLLIG PARISHIONER



St. Mary & St. John
Station Road

Sunday 01-April-2012

Passion (Palm) Sunday

Jesus was tortured and humiliated by the pride and self-will of people. He accepted this fate so as to overcome human destructiveness. His humble attentiveness to God allows God's power to be active and recreative.



Christ Our Light
Innishmore

Holy Week

From Palm Sunday to Easter Sunday, the Church remembers the journey of Jesus from his triumphant entry into Jerusalem to his last meal, trial, crucifixion, death, and resurrection. These are important events in our faith journey. As we reflect on the agony, suffering and death of Jesus throughout this week, we are constantly reminded of God's great love for us.

The first Reading from Isaiah describes the "Suffering Servant" who does not resist the violence brought on him by his enemies. "For my part I made no resistance neither did I turn away, I offered my back to those who struck me, I did not cover my face against insult and spittle... the Lord comes to my help." We hear in the second reading from St Paul that though Jesus was divine, he 'emptied' himself to assume the condition of a slave. He humbly faces the reality of his death, dying as a convicted criminal. Sadly, as Jesus journeys the road to Calvary, his followers are not very loyal; those closest to him desert him in his hour of greatest suffering; one even betraying him by a kiss, another denying knowing him. Let us pray that he finds room in our hearts, a welcome in our homes, a place in our lives and may we continue to be his loyal followers. As St Paul says: 'Let the same mind be in you which was in Christ Jesus'.

On Holy Thursday we remember the institution of the Eucharist which gives us nourishment for our journey. We also recall Jesus washing the Apostles' feet and his words: 'If I then, the Lord and Master, have washed your feet, then surely you must wash one another's feet.' In washing the feet of his apostles Jesus gave us an example of humility and showed how love and service are expressed in action. On this day when we also recall the institution of the Priesthood, let us remember in prayer and gratitude the priests of our Parish for their generous dedication and loving service to us. Following the Eucharistic Celebration on Holy Thursday evening, the Blessed Sacrament is carried to the altar of Repose which reminds us of Jesus' time in the garden of Gethsemane and recalls his question to the disciples: 'Could you not watch one hour with me?' Spending some time before the Blessed Sacrament at the Altar of Repose gives us an opportunity to express our gratitude to God and to pray for the suffering members of our Parish community. On Good Friday let us walk in spirit with Jesus on his journey to Calvary, by participating in the outdoor Stations of the Cross through the streets of Ballincollig, leaving the Church of St Mary and St John at 12 noon. Let us journey with Jesus and each other throughout this Holy Week.

Sr. Colette

The Week Ahead

Today's liturgy gives a foretaste of the great events which we celebrate in Holy Week - the passion, death and resurrection of our Lord. We celebrate the drama of the Lord's Passion, triumph through death and suffering. Please make a special effort to join in the Holy week ceremonies.

PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL

Priest

God the Father did not share his own Son but gave him up to death on our behalf. Therefore, we can place our needs before him with great confidence.

Reader

For the Christian community: that Christ may heal the wounds caused by sin and division.

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

For world leaders: that they exercise their office in a way that promotes justice and peace.

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

For those who are suffering: that they may draw strength from the passion of Christ.

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

For those who see their loved ones suffer but can't do anything about it: that they may draw strength from the example of Mary standing at the foot of her Son's cross on Calvary.

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

We pray that Christians everywhere may be strengthened in faith through the coming celebration of Holy Week.

**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

Heavenly Father, we see your love for us in the sufferings and death of your Son. Help us to respond to your love by loving one another. We ask you this through Christ our Lord. Amen

My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?

Visit Our Website: www.ballincolligparish.ie

BAPTISMS

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

Laura Mary Foley, The Close, Coolroe Meadows.
 Ayden Carroll McCarthy, An Caislean Drive.
 Caleb Thomas Duff, Ashling Lawn.
 Aine Roisin O'Leary, The Green Coolroe Meadows.
 Niamh Catherine Creagh, Morington Park, Co Meath.

† IN SYMPATHY †

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

Br. Brendan Murphy, Portglenone Abbey.
 Jim Doyle, Glendower.
 Declan Butler, Inniscarra View.
 Mary O' Mullane, Wilton.
 Peggy Duggan, Coachford.
 Francis Rea, Ovens & Cholaiste Choilm.
 Frank Cott, Castlemagner.
 Robert Stoker, Monkstown.

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

Paddy Keohane, Inniscarra.
 Ted & Bridie Brennan, Kilkenny.
 John, Catherine & deceased members of Harte family, Clonakilty.
 Annie Kavanagh, Wicklow.
 Kitty O'Sullivan, Tudor Grove.
 Mary Creedon, Carriganarra.
 Lizzie McCarthy, Park Road.
 Liam Canty, The Lough.
 Dan McCarthy, The Crescent.
 Sean Linehan, Gurranaברה.
 Mary Wood, Norfolk.
 Eddie & Kathleen Duncan, Omagh.
 Ellen O'Sullivan, Inniscarra.
 Paddy Kirstein, Inniscarra View.
 Barry Kelly, The Crescent.
 Kevin Reck, Farran.
 Pat & Billy Coomey, Carriganarra.
 Margaret & Danjo O'Shea, The Crescent.

Dawn Outdoor Mass

Easter Sunday Morning
 6.30 am
 Beside the Lough Cork
 (Close to the Lough Church)
 Ample car parking at the Lough Church

TROCAIRE

“As Christ has undergone bodily suffering, you too should arm yourselves with

the same conviction, that anyone who has undergone bodily suffering has broken with sin...” Peter 4:1. Christ is present in Daniel, in Joel and in Betty, the family on the Trocaire Box, because of the violence, suffering, separation and aloneness that they have experienced. Their suffering, like all human suffering, unites them to Christ on the cross in a profound way. Today we remember them and millions like them across the world. For more information on the Lenten campaign visit www.trocaire.org/lent or call 1850 408 408

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Holy Week

01 Sunday Is. 50:4-7. Ps 22. Phil. 2:6- 11. Mt. 26:14-27,66. Lect I: 346
 02 Monday Is. 42:1-7. Ps. 26. Jn. 12:1-11 Lect I:374
 03 Tuesday Is. 49: 1-6. Ps. 70. Jn. 13:21-33,36-38. Lect I: 376
 04 Wednesday Is. 50:4-9. Ps. 68. Mt. 26:14-25. Lect I: 379
 05 Thursday Ex. 12:1-8,11-14. Ps. 115.1 Cor. 11:23-26. Jn. 13:1-15
 Lect I: 387
 06 Friday Is. 52: 13-53: 12. Ps. 30. Heb. 4: 14-16, 5:7-9. Jn. 18: 1-19:42.
 07 Saturday

Next Sunday's Readings 08-April-2012
 Acts 10:34,37-43. Ps. 117. Col. 3:1-4 or 1 Cor. 5:6-9. In. 20:1-9. Lect I: 417

Bulletin Board

Easter collection for Priests of the Parish

According to the Diocesan custom, the collection at Easter Masses is one of two collections during the year when the offertory collection goes to the priests of the parish

First Friday

Friday April 6th is the first Friday of the month. It is also Good Friday, The priests of the parish will be in contact with the sick and housebound in their local areas

Chrism Mass

Bishop Buckley invites you to the **Chrism Mass in the Cathedral on Holy Thursday, April 5th at 10.00 am.** It is an occasion of Special thanksgiving as the Oils for the Celebration of the Sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation, Holy Orders and the Anointing of the Sick are blessed.

Reconciliation Service

Penitential service in Christ Our Light church on Monday 2nd April at 7.00 pm. This is an opportunity to gather as a faith community and acknowledge our need of God's forgiveness as we prepare for Easter.

Easter Vigil

Parishioners are reminded to bring candles to the Easter Vigil Ceremonies at 7.30 pm in Christ Our Light and 9.00 pm in St Mary & St John on Holy Saturday evening.
Please take special care to avoid dripping candle grease on the floor or on seats.

Envelope Collection

Holy Places (Holy Land) - Good Friday

Holy Week

Is a central week in the Church's year. This week recalls and re-enacts the highpoint in God's love and Jesus revealing Him to us. The most important part of Holy Week for me is when Christ stoops to wash the feet of his friends. The washing of the feet had an unsuspecting depth of meaning. When inspired by love, the least service rendered to one's neighbour takes on an extraordinary dimension; it foreshadows that total sacrifice for which everyone should be prepared. To be truly Christian is a constant effort to become like Jesus. I hope you will be able to join us this year to recall and celebrate Holy Week in our lead in to Easter and the Resurrection.

Fr. George

Holy Week Ceremonies 1st April to 7th April

St. Mary & St. John		
Day	Event	Time
Sunday	Normal Masses	8:30 am, 10 am 12 noon
Monday	Normal Masses	9:30 am & 8 pm
Tuesday	Normal Masses	9:30 am & 8 pm
Wednesday	Normal Masses	9:30 am & 8 pm
Holy Thursday	No Morning Mass	
	Mass of the Last Supper followed by Adoration & Holy Hour	8:00 pm
	Confessions	12.00 to 1.00 pm
	Confessions	7.00 to 8.00 pm
Good Friday	Stations of the Cross	12.00 Outdoor & 3.00 pm
	Celebration of the Lord's Passion	8.00 pm
	Confessions	After All Ceremonies
Holy Saturday	No Morning Mass	
	Confessions	11.30 am to 1.00 pm
		2 pm to 4.00 pm
	Evening Mass	6.00 pm
	Easter Vigil & Mass	9.00 pm
Christ Our Light		
Day	Event	Time
Sunday	Normal Masses	11 am, 12:30 pm & 5:30 pm
Monday	Normal Masses	8:30 am & 6:30 pm
	Reconciliation Service	7:00 pm
Tuesday	Normal Masses	8:30 am & 6:30 pm
Wednesday	Normal Masses	8:30 am & 6:30 pm
Holy Thursday	No Morning Mass	
	Mass of the Last Supper followed by Adoration & Holy Hour	6.30 pm
	Confessions	After 6:30 pm Mass
Good Friday	Stations of the Cross	12.00 (Outdoor) & 3 pm
	Celebration of the Lord's Passion	6.30 pm
	Confessions	After All Ceremonies
Holy Saturday	No Morning Mass	
	Confessions	11.30 am
	Easter Vigil & Mass	7.30 pm

THE SUNDAY READINGS

First Reading: Isaiah 50: 4-7

The prophet's mission to Israel is marked by suffering and persecution. The whole passage foretells the sufferings of Jesus. It was in obedience to the Father's will that Christ voluntarily submitted to the scourging, the spittle, and the insults of his passion.

Second Reading: Philippians 2: 6-11

St. Paul stresses that Christ is Divine. It was the Divine person that assumed human nature. As Christ has suffered in his human nature so he will be glorified in that humanity. Every tongue is to confess that Christ is Lord.

Gospel: Mark 14: 1-47

The reading of the Passion sets the scene for all the ceremonies of Holy Week.

MINISTERS OF THE WORD

Apr-07 & Apr-08-2012

St. Mary & St. John

Christ Our Light

6:00 pm (Vigil)
Aine Sheehan
Mark Prendergast
8:30 am
Eadaoin O'Leary
10:00 am
Eileen O'Connell
Diandra Buckley
12:00 Noon
Chloe Dalton O'Connor

7:30 pm (Vigil)
Michael Greene
11:00 am
Chidera Ebili
12:30 pm
Margaret Buckley
James Nyagaya
5:30 pm
Siobhan Keane-Hopcraft

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 & 8 pm

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8:30 am & 6:30 pm

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8:30 am & 6:30 pm

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Wednesday

8:30 am & 6:30 pm

8 pm

Thursday

6:30 pm

8 pm

Friday

6:30 pm

6 pm & 9 pm (Easter Vigil)

Saturday

7:30 pm (Easter Vigil)

CONFESSIONS

See inside page

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

Fr. George O'Mahony P.P.

021-4871206

Fr. Michael O'Mahony C.C.

021-4877161

Fr. Billy O'Sullivan C.C.

021-4876171

Fr. James McSweeney

021-4873308

Community Employment Scheme

Are you on a social welfare payment or out of work with 12 months?

You may be eligible to receive training and work experience.

Vacancies exist for

Childcare/ Shop Assistants

Send your CV to

CE Supervisor,

134 Castle Park, Ballincollig, or Telephone 021- 4874775

Email ballincolligsocialproject@gmail.com

MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST

Apr-07 & Apr-08-2012



St. Mary & St. John

Christ Our Light

6.00 pm Eileen Murphy
Ted Nelligan
Eileen Corkery
Maurice Bunyan
Sheila Walshe
Ann McCarthy

7:30 pm John O'Donoghue
Mary Dineen
Kathleen Daly
Mairead Keenan

8:30 am Helen Kelly
Mary O'Connor
Michael Crowley

11:00 am Mary O'Mahony
Mona Bowen
Billy Barry
Mary Aylward
Pauline Baston

10:00 am Fionnuala McDonagh
Mary Buckley
Breda Ring
Mary O'Regan
Teresa O'Driscoll
Martin O'Leary

12:30 pm Mary Twomey
Maura O'Driscoll
Mary Lehane
Dympna Byrne
Suzanne Leech

12 Noon Ann-Marie Cosgrove
Phil Kennedy
Ellen O'Sullivan
Ursula McAuliffe
Sally Crowley
Fiona Kelly

5:30 pm Shelia Curran
Elizabeth O'Sullivan

Stations of the Cross

Preparations are in progress for the out door Stations to be held again this year in Ballincollig. It is proposed that the 14 Stations will be held out of doors, with the Stations in various positions in Ballincollig. The aim of having the stations out of doors is to bring the stations to the community which will enable the people of Ballincollig to follow the cross, and become actively involved. Last year many people found it a moving event and we look forward to as many as possible taking part. **Please join us at the church of St Mary & St John on Good Friday, 6th April at noon.**

Ballincollig Parish - Gospel of Mark

Talk 9 and final of current series on St Mark's Gospel will be held in St Mark Centre, opposite the Church of Christ Our Light in Innishmore **on Monday April 2nd at 8 pm**
Please note final series is only one talk

Ballincollig Parish Pilgrimage -To The Holy Land

"and now our feet are standing within your gates, O Jerusalem"

The 2012 Parish Pilgrimage to the Holy Land will depart from Cork Airport on a direct flight to Tel Aviv on Friday October 12th and will return from Tel Aviv on Friday October 19th. The cost of the eight day pilgrimage will be € 1,250 including half-board accommodation and all taxes.

For the first four days we will be based in Tiberias on the Sea of Galilee and we will be based in Bethlehem from October 16th. Larry Cunningham will be the Pilgrimage Leader and Fr Billy O'Sullivan the Spiritual Director. The Tour Operator is Celebration Travel Ireland Limited. For further information contact Larry Cunningham at 4873364.

Grace is always working with us in our suffering to strengthen us and to save us from being overwhelmed