THE BALLINCOLLIG PARISHIONER



Sunday 01-June-2008

Ninth Sunday In Ordinary Time

It is through Christ alone that we can keep our side of the covenant, which is to love God with all our heart and keep his commandments so as to gain his blessing.



Vision 2008

The Irish bishops issued a pastoral letter recently entitled a vision for Catholic Education in Ireland. While catholic schools share many characteristics with other schools in offering a public service, catholic schools seek to reflect a distinctive vision of life and a corresponding philosophy of life. The Catholic school tries to reflect the Gospel of Jesus Christ and sees the world in which we live as part of God's creation. Life is seen as pilgrimage in the footsteps of Jesus Christ who is the way, the truth and the life. What is entailed here is the tidiest possible human flourishing in this world and hope for the world to come.

Catholic schools are part of the Church's continuing mission to carry the life giving message of Christ to every generation. Catholic education aims to help each pupil to develop his or her potential as a human being. By educating students in their every dimension according to the Gospel, Catholic schools seek to transform not only the individual human lives of its pupils but also through them the wider society which they will help to build.

Catholic schools aspire to create an open, happy, stimulating and mutually respectful community environment in which young people are able to develop their abilities and talents in a balanced and generous way. These schools seek to form pupils who will find true happiness and strive to give authentic leadership in society. They will do this through the Christian quality of their lives, the unselfish use of their gifts for the common good and their commitment to work for a more just, cohesive and caring human society.

The Catholic tradition, of which the schools are a part, has been enriched through centuries of reflection and development. This not only offers pupils a rich heritage of wisdom but also gives them stability, a framework of meaning and a sense of direction for their lives in a time of rapid and often confusing cultural and social change. (more next George O'Mahony

week).

Reflection for Parents

What are some storms your family has faced? Share with one another individual struggles or difficulties you have experienced as a family. Offer suggestions of what your family's foundation might be. How does the foundation allow you to weather the storm; or has the foundation ever crumbled? What can you learn from these events? What can you do to shape the future of your family based on former experiences?



Christ Our Light Innishmore

Priest

The Lord is our rock and our stronghold who leads us and guides us along the right path. We present our prayers to the Lord, confident of being heard.

PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL

Reader

For the leaders of the Church. May they lead all who hope in the Lord to everdeeper faith and knowledge of God. Lord, Hear us, Lord, graciously hear us.

For those of no faith. May they come to know the one true God. Lord, Hear us, Lord, graciously hear us.

For those in prison. May they meet the Lord in their captivity and receive God's healing embrace.

Lord, Hear us, Lord, graciously hear us.

For vocations. May those who receive God's call do the will of the Father in heaven.

Lord, Hear us, Lord, graciously hear us.

For all Christians. May they listen to the words of the Lord and act on them. Lord, Hear us, Lord, graciously hear us.

For those who face exams this summer, that God's gifts of serenity and calm may be theirs. Lord, Hear us,

Lord, graciously hear us.

Priest

Heavenly father, our refuge and strength, hear the prayer we make before you in faith this day through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord. Amen.

Be a rock of refuge for me, O Lord.

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BAPTISMS

WE WELCOME TO OUR COMMUNITY ALL THOSE WHO WERE BAPTISED RECENTLY : Kelvin Cooney, Castlepark. Tadhg Cornelius Hayes, Oaks, Classis Lake. Kerrie Dee Corcoran, Rosewood.

Mairead Mary Stapleton, Manor Hill.

† IN SYMPATHY † PLEASE PRAY FOR THE FAMILY AND FRIENDS OF THE RE-CENTLY DECEASED : Frank O'Callaghan, Grange, Ovens. Maureen Goode, The Lough. Michael King, Wexford. Padam Iyengar, Old Quarry. Sheila Nestor, Bishopstown.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE REPOSE OF THE SOULS OF THE FOL-LOWING WHOSE ANNIVERSARY OCCURS:

Breeda O'Leary, Ovens. Michael Hayes, Clonmult. Con O'Driscoll, Carriganarra. Deceased members Kelleher family, College Road. Deceased members O'Donnell family, Galbally. Kathleen & Dan Dorgan, Powdermills. William & Kathleen Ryan, St Anthony's Lawn. Martina McCarthy, Castle Ave. Mary McNulty, Fr Sexton Park. Maurice Carney, Rosewood. Peig Murphy, West Gate. Jerry Dempesy, Glanmire. Val Riordan, Glasheen. Noreen Atridge, Meenvane, Schull. Thomas & Ellen Scully, Castlemartyr. Anne Smith, Carrigdene. Vincent O'Connell, Ballinora. Mark Fogarty, Curraheen. David Rea, Lower Glanmire. Con O'Driseoll, Carriganarra. Mary Lehane, Inniscarra View. Catherine Hogan, Ballinlough. Donal O'Donovan, Ballinlough & Blackpool. Mary Foley, Kiskeam. Denis O'Sullivan, Farranree.

The Pyke Theatre Group

Are holding A Night Of Summer Madness On Tuesday June 10th 2008 At

THE RUGBY CLUB, TANNER PARK Prizes For The People With The Best Summer Hat/Bonnet Music By Pat Clohessy. M.C. Sean Hennessy. Tea, Sandwiches, cakes and buckets of craic. Tickets from 087-6909433—087-6567965.

The Cork Institute of Technology

Is pleased to invite applications for direct entry to the second, third and fourth year of its programmes in Community Education and Development leading to the awards of BA/BA Honours in Community Education and Development, commencing September 2008 in the Cork Institute of Technology.

Applications are invited from candidates who have significant experience in community work and/or qualifications in cognate areas.

Entry to these courses will be based on interviews to be held in the Cork Institute of Technology on Friday 13th June, 2008.

For further information and an application form, please telephone Anne, Department of Education Development, CIT on 021 – 4326 700 **READINGS FOR THE WEEK**

Ninth Week In Ordinary Time

01 Sunday Deut 11:18, 26-28, 32. Ps 30. Rom 3:21-25, 28. Mt 7:21-27. Lect I: 661

02 Monday 2 Pet 1:2-7. Ps 90. Mk 12:1-12. Lect II: 562

03 Tuesday 2 Pet 3:11-15, 17-18. Ps 89. Mk 12:13-17. Lect II: 564

04 Wednesday 2 Tim 1:1-3, 6- 12. Ps 122. Mk 12: 18-27. Lect II: 566

05 Thursday 2 Tim 2:8-15. Ps 24. Mk 12:28-34. Lect II: 568

06 Friday 2 Tim 3:10-17. Ps 118. Mk 12:35-37. Lect II: 570

07 Saturday 2 Tim 4:1-8. Ps 70. Mk 12:38-44. Lect II: 572

Next Sunday's Readings 08-June-2008 Hos. 6:3-6. Ps. 49. Rom. 4: 18-25. Mt. 9:9-13. Lect I: 663

Perfect Health

The Chopra Centre Ayurvedic Lifestyle Program By Deepak Chopra M.D. and David Simon M.D Presented by Jean Kavanagh Perfect Health Instructor Certified by Deepak Chopra

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Saturday May 31st 9.30 am – 5.00 pm Venue: Bru Columbanus, Wilton, Cork Continues On Saturday June 7th Venue: Mardyke House, Mardyke, Cork Contact: Jean Kavanagh Certified Chopra Instructor At 085 1666975, e-mail: jeandreambeliever@yahoo.co.uk

CIT Alumni Reunion Day

Saturday, 7th June 2008, 3.00 pm Calling All Graduates and Friends

You and all your former classmates are invited to get together to

BBQ Buffet with music from the Aristocrats Don't delay book your place for reunion day today Further information and booking forms may be obtained from alumni@cit.ie or visit www.cit.ie

The success of a Reunion is due to the help of class representatives who encourage members of their class to attend the Reunion. If you would like to ensure successful participation of your class at this event, please contact the

CIT Alumni Association on 021 4326589 or email alumni@cit.ie

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THE SUNDAY READINGS

First Readig: Deuteronomy 11:18, 26-28, 32

In today's first reading, Moses stresses the importance of the commandments to the Israelites by comparing the keeping of them to a blessing or the neglect of them to a curse. This spells out the seriousness of God's covenant with his people. When we turn away from God's commandments, we start to follow other gods. Moses encourages them and us to take God's words into our hearts and live by them.

Second Reading: Romans 3:21-25, 28

Paul's letter to the Romans highlights God's great love for us in redemption. Paul uses the phrase "the righteousness of God" to mean God's initiative in saving us. We cannot boast of our own holiness. We are holy because God has made us holy. It is God's free gift, and nothing but God's great love makes us deserving of this.

Gospel: Matthew 7:21-27

In today's gospel, Jesus points out that following him is more than a matter of simply saying words. We are each called to put our words into action. That is the way we truly do the will of God. Jesus compares it to a house that has a solid foundation and a house that is built on sand. If you've ever found water seeping into your basement after a heavy rainstorm, you know what it means not to have a house with a solid foundation. Our lives are like that. Living according to God's words and teachings make up the solid foundation of our lives. Faith becomes like the rock that will not erode. When God's words are not deep in our lives, our faith is like a house built on sand which gradually erodes and is swept away. Action, not just knowledge or words, provides a secure foundation for a life of faith.

Carers Week

If you are caring for a family member /neighbour / friend ex carer or employed in a caring capacity, we would like to invite you to attend The Cork and County Carers Week at The Imperial Hotel. South Mall, Cork.

The Carers Week Will be launched on Monday 9th June at 10 am (reg) — 1:30 pm by well known personality Paki O'Callaghan (of Bull Island Fame) Followed by a seminar & research around young child carers and support groups at which a member of U.C.C.s Sociology Dept. will present research around the difficulties in accessing young carers. A cared for person will speak of her life experiences.

A Public/Information day on **Tuesday June 10th** from 10.30 to 2 pm will be opened by the Lord Mayor at 11 am. Groups / organisations will set up stands. There will also he a focus on health and well being massage etc. followed by four workshops around carer's issues.

On Wednesday June 11th City & County carers' groups will hold events in their own areas.

Thursday June 12th. The right honourable lord mayor of Cork Mr Donal Counihan will hold a reception for family carers in the lord Mayor's Chambers in Cork City Hall at 8 pm, for further information Contact Carers Association on 021 4806397. Cork city partnership 021 4302310. IRD Duhallow 029 60633.

Cork Simon Community

Are looking for volunteers to help with our Door to Door collections - if you can spare a couple of hours a week to join our fantastic team of volunteers please contact Niamh @ 21-4377643 or email: niamh@corksimoncommunity

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Bulletin Board

Bank Holiday Monday

Please note there will be no 08:30 am Mass in Christ Our Light. *First Friday*

Friday June 6th is the first Friday of the month. There will be exposition of the Blessed Sacrament in St Mary & St John from 10.00 am to 7.30 pm, you are invited to come and spend some time with the Lord on that day. Evening Mass will be celebrated in St Mary & St John at 8.00 pm. 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.

Eucharistic Procession

Thanks to all those who took part in the Eucharistic Procession, the Committee and volunteers who helped to arrange and make it a very successful occasion, the Altar Servers, Choir, those who led us in the Rosary, Sacristan, Scouts, Ballinora Red Cross, special thanks to the Gardai. Great to see First Holy Communion Children participating.

Examination Time

We ask For your continuing support and prayers for our students as they begin their Leaving & Junior Certificate Examinations. May they be successful in their efforts.

Mass Book

Diaries to book Mass intentions for July, August & September 2008 will open in both churches on Saturday 14th June at 9 am.

This Week's Calendar

Monday 2 - Saints Marcellinus and Peter, martyrs. Saints Marcellinus and Peter were Roman clergy who were martyred under Diocletian in 303.

Tuesday 3 - St Kevin, abbot. Kevin was a native of Leinster. Wishing to be a hermit, he crossed the mountains to Glendalough and settled in Disert Caoimhghin at the foot of the upper lake. But disciples began to gather round him. gradually the great monastic settlement grew and spread through the glen after his death in 618.

Wednesday 4 - Saint Charles Lwanga and Companions, martyrs. These were twenty-two Ugandan youths who were martyred for their faith in the years 1885-1887.

Thursday 5 - St Boniface, bishop and martyr. Boniface, 673-754, was born at Crediton in Derbyshire and educated at monastery schools in England. He went as a missionary to Germany. He founded monasteries in Bavaria, including Fulda in 735.

Friday 6 - St Jarlath, bishop. Jarlath is said to have been as disciple of St Enda and was taught also by St Benignus. He became abbot-bishop of the monastery he founded at Tuam in the sixth century.

Saturday 7 - Saint Colman (Mocholmoc) of Dromore, Co Down seems to have spent most of his life in that area. Possibly he studied under Caetan of Nendrom, Co Down and waspersuaded by St Mac Nissi to settle at Dromore c. 514.

Fr. George

Vita Ethiopian Challenge – October 2008

In October 2008 the inaugural trip to visit Vita projects in Ethiopia will take place. This trip is designed to introduce you to the many faces of Ethiopia and the difficulties faced by its people. Its purpose is to challenge your views of the developing world, to promote a better understanding of the work of Vita and to see what can be achieved with your support.

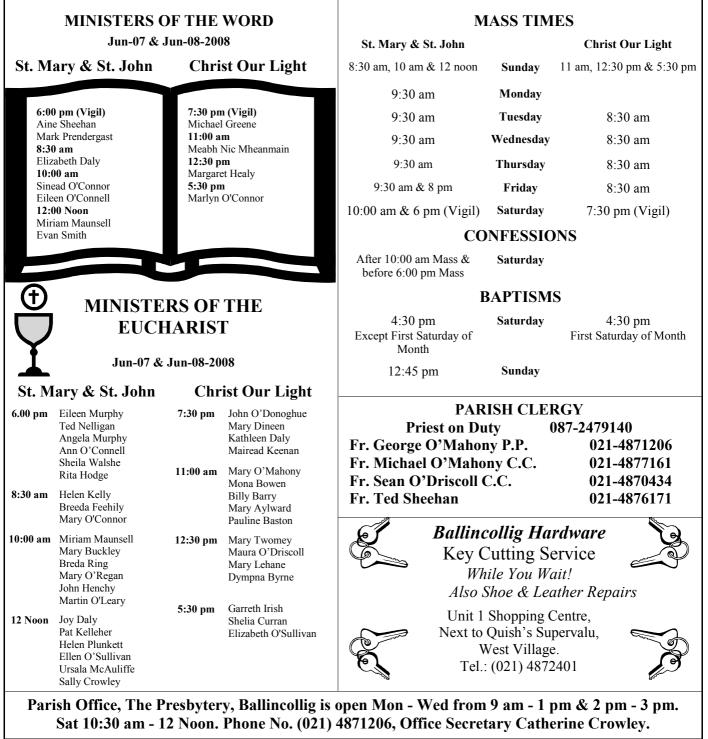
The trip will take you to see some of the wonders of ancient Ethiopian civilisation. You will also visit modern developed Ethiopia and be able to compare this with the areas of the country in great need of sustainable livelihoods development which form the major part of the trip.

The cost of taking on this challenge is €4750; this includes your flights, accommodation, meals, internal transport and support for the Vita programmes that you will visit.

For further information please contact Jenny Douglas in Vita on 01 8820108 or email jenny.douglas@vita.ie

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