

THE BALLINCOLLIG PARISHIONER



**St. Mary & St. John
Station Road**

Sunday 02-November-2008

All Souls Day

The Commemoration of all the faithful departed.



**Christ Our Light
Innishmore**

*God is full of mercy: he waits patiently for our conversion.
No matter how much we may have failed him, he still calls
us and encourages us towards goodness.*

Feast of All Saints

Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed

This week-end we celebrate the Feast of All Saints, both the canonised and the uncanonised. In St John's vision of heaven, (Book of the Apocalypse), he sees: "a huge number, impossible to count, of people from every nation, race, tribe and language". We thank God for these ordinary people who have been faithful witnesses to the love of God by living out the message of the Gospel during their life. Even though they too were sinners and experienced trials and temptations like ourselves, yet their faith, hope and love sustained them on their pilgrim journey. They are now enjoying the glory and happiness of being face to face with God. Among them are people who know us, who love us and are interceding for us.

In the Preface for All Saints, we pray: 'All-powerful and ever living God, around your throne, the saints, our brothers and sisters, sing your praise for ever. Their glory fills us with joy, and their communion with us in your Church gives us inspiration and strength as we hasten on our pilgrimage of faith, eager to meet them'.

Let us reflect on all those in our lives who have been examples to us of what it means to be a Christian. We thank God for the gift of these people. Perhaps it is also an opportunity to reflect on what it means to each of us to be a saint! How do we image Christ for others? Do people experience something of God's love and compassion when they encounter us? Do we make the world a better and holier place through our words and deeds? Holiness is not so much about what we do but rather with how much love we do it.

This week-end we also commemorate the death of our loved ones. In the Preface for Christian death, we pray: 'Lord, for your faithful people, life is changed, not ended'. Death is not an end. For the Christian, death is a door opening to admit his or her soul into eternal life. As we celebrate the sacred memory of all those dear to us, we pray for their eternal joy and peace.

"God, our creator and redeemer, by your power Christ conquered death and returned to you in glory. May all our loved ones who have gone before us in faith share his victory and enjoy the vision of your glory for ever."

Sr. Colette

PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL

Priest

Let us make our petitions to the Lord who hears our voice when we call.

Reader

That the leaders of the Church may be guided by the voice of the Lord.

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

That those who feel that they are overburdened may have a weight lifted from their shoulders and receive strength and support from the Lord in troubled times.

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

That our parish community may be a place where faith is nourished, where hope shines and where love reigns.

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

That families may receive strength and comfort from the Lord.

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

That those who are mourning the loss of a loved one may have their tears wiped away and their mourning veil removed by the compassionate touch of the Lord.

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

That all our brothers and sisters who have died may share in the Lord's resurrection.

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

Priest

Heavenly Father, hear our prayers and console us. We make these and all our prayers through Jesus Christ, our Lord.
Amen.

Novena for The Dead - November 2nd to 10th, 2008

November is a month dedicated to our deceased relatives and friends. It is the time of year when we are asked to pray for our dead and thank God for their efforts and goodness to us. Christ's prayer to his Father is "I want those you have given me to be with me where I am, so that they may always see the glory you have given me." We encourage everyone to make a special effort to come to daily Mass during the Novena for the Dead and maybe even keep up the effort for the month of November.

Envelopes are available this weekend in both Churches.

The Lord is my light and my help.

Visit Our Website: www.ballincolligparish.ie

BAPTISMS

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

Edward Niall McCarthy, Green Rd, Blackrock, Co Dublin.
 Emily Faye Brink, Graybrook, Waterfall.
 Alexander James Linehan-Kennedy, Ovens Rd, Farran.
 Luke James O'Sullivan, Mossgrove, Classes Lake.
 Patrick Jan Szymanski, The Lawn, Coolroe Meadows.

† **IN SYMPATHY** †

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

Michael Hogan, Bishopstown.
 Denis Murphy, Blarney.
 John Brennan, Birmingham.
 Pdraig O'Callaghan, Carrigrohane.
 Eithne Shiel, Cul Aodha.

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

John Cremin, Collyduff.
 John O'Connor, Powdermills.
 Kathleen Dineen, Dunmanway.
 Mary O'Callaghan, Yorkshire.
 Ellen, Eugene & Catherine Lee, Dripsey.
 Cathal Keohane, Rosewood.
 Jim Butler, Inniscarra.
 Sieve Daly, Grange Manor.
 Billy Kelly, Fr Sexton Park
 Joan O'Sullivan, Cahenagh, Drimoleague
 Morgan O'Callaghan, Kanturk.
 Michael & Sheila Duggan, Dunmanway & Bandon.
 Niall Barrett, Dripsey.
 Christy Sullivan, Lauragh, Kenmare.
 John Creed, Inniscarra View & Healy Bridge.
 Julie Hegarty, Rosewood.
 Richard Horgan, Limerick.
 Justin Monaghan, College Road.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Thirty First Week In Ordinary Time

02 Sunday Is 25:6-9. Ps 26. Rom 5:5-11. Mt 11:25-30. Lect I: 1002
 03 Monday Phil 2:1-4. Ps 130. Lk 14:12-14. Lect II: 850
 04 Tuesday Phil 2:5-11. Ps 21. Lk 14:15-24. Lect II: 852
 05 Wednesday Phil. 2:12-18. Ps. 26. Lk. 14:25-33. Lect II: 854
 06 Thursday Sir. 44:1-15. Ps. 14. Lk. 6:17-23. Lect. II:1367
 07 Friday Phil. 3:17-4:1. Ps. 121. Lk. 16:1-8. Lect II: 858
 08 Saturday Phil 4:10-19. Ps 111. Lk 16:9-15. Lect II: 860

Next Sunday's Readings 09-November-2008
 Ez. 47:1-2, 8-9, 12, Ps. 45. 1 Cor.3:9-11,16-17. In. 2:13-22. Lect II: 1250 or

**Scripture Prayer Group
 (Lectio Divina)**

Many of the participants at the recent Week of Directed Prayer expressed a desire to join a Lectio Divina group. We already have seven groups operating in the parish but there is room for more. This method of praying the Bible has become very popular in recent years in Ireland and in many other parts of the world. Anyone who is remotely interested in joining a prayer group is invited to attend an Information Meeting on Wednesday 29th October at 8 pm in the Annex to the Community Centre. Others in the Parish who may wish to join a prayer group are also invited to attend. Feel free to come along to the meeting for information only. There will be no obligation to join a group.

**Society of St. Vincent de Paul
 Monthly Collection**

This Weekend
 1st & 2nd November 2008
 Please Support



The Coeliac Society of Ireland

Date: Tuesday, 4th of November, 2004
 Place: SMA Hall, Wilton
 Time: 8.00 p.m.
 Talk entitled: "Gluten Free Cooking in the Home"
 by Elizabeth Ross followed by Dietitian talk.
 Refreshments will be served.
 All welcome.

Thought for Today

We often hear this reading and take comfort in it when we attend a funeral mass or memorial service. There are so many mysteries and ideas in scripture that we don't understand. But the hope of this Gospel is very clear for us. We know that we, and those we love, will find ourselves with Jesus on the last day because we know him and follow his ways.

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THE SUNDAY READINGS

First Reading: Isaiah 25:6-9

Even in the time of the Old Testament, Scripture spoke of life after death. Indeed, we understand suffering as a means of purification. We who believe know that in heaven there is no pain, no torment, and no tribulation.

Second Reading: Rom 5:5-11

Paul teaches that Christ has given us a victory; sin and death are conquered. That's the connection. Anyone who turns away from sin has the key to eternal life.

Gospel Reading: Matthew 11:25-30

This is the great invitation. So often we hear Jesus say 'go' and do the work of the Kingdom. But here we have the invitation to come and find rest in him. Here he calls all who are burdened and promises refreshment. So much in life and in death is hidden from us, so much unanswered. But here lies the promise of a revelation to those who trust like children. They will enjoy the great revealing of-'these things'. Those who die placing their trust in God will have all revealed to them. Then they truly will find rest for their souls.

Keep Christ in Christmas!

Help support the work of
St. Patrick's Missionary Society
by using their Christmas cards.

A pack often cards and envelopes costs €5.00.
Send your name and address, together with your donation,
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Living Your Life In The Spirit of God

At Mount St. Joseph's, Blarney Street, Cork
Each Wednesday Night from 8 p.m. to 9.30 p.m.

29 th Oct	2 nd Session	The Gift of Salvation
5 th Nov	3 rd Session	The Grace of the Holy Spirit & New Life
12 th Nov	4 th Session	Preparing to receive the Grace of the Holy Spirit
19 th Nov	5 th Session	Receiving the Grace of the Holy Spirit
26 th Nov	6 th Session	Growing in the Holy Spirit
3 rd Dec	7 th Session	Transformation in Jesus Christ

Each session will commence with a period of Prayer and Praise and Song and will conclude with Intercession.
All are most welcome to attend

French Grinds

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Experienced Teacher available to assist Primary and Secondary School Students with Homework after School in the Evenings. Phone 086-1535219 for details

Bulletin Board

Baptism Preparation.

The next Baptism preparation will take place on **Saturday November 15th in the Annexe Room, Community Hall, Station Road at 1 pm.** The presentation lasts for approximately forty minutes. The following questions are addressed, what is Baptism? What are the symbols used in the Sacrament of Baptism? How can the family become involved in the ceremony? We recommend parents book baptisms a few weeks in advance in order to give ample time to take part in the preparation.

Novena Masses

There will be two evening Masses during the Novena- 6.30 pm Christ Our Light and 8 pm St Mary & St John. There will be a Special Mass to remember all our loved ones who died during the past year on November 12th at 8.00 pm at St Mary & St John. All those who died from the Parish will be remembered at this Mass. Families who wish to have a deceased family members included in this Mass are invited to hand in their names to the Sacristy or Parish Office during the week and please include a contact name and an address.

Annual Graveyard Masses

Will take place on Saturday November 8th 2008 at 2 pm in St Oliver's Cemetery and Saturday November 15th at 2 pm in St. Mary & St. John's Cemetery.

First Friday

Friday November 7th 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. There is evening Mass 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.

Children's Mass

The Children's Mass continues every Sunday at 11 am in Christ Our Light. The Children of 2nd class retire to the crying room at the beginning of Mass where they celebrate Liturgy of the Word in child friendly fashion, do word, colouring and maze searches. Volunteers are welcome and needed to help. Training and practice will be given. Parents are welcome to join their Children, especially Parents of Children who are now preparing for their First Holy Communion. We encourage

Crying Rooms

Many Parents and Grandparents to continue to bring their children / grand children to Mass. Christ Our Light has two rooms on the right hand side (as you face the altar). These are used as Children's Crying rooms. Please avail of these facilities especially if your child needs a bit of space and freedom from the church seats. Well done to the Parents who bring their children to Mass.

Catholic Paper

Copies of the Catholic Paper -**The Universe** - are available in both Churches every week.

Parish Office

The Parish Office is situated in the Parochial House, next-door to St Mary & St John's church. Office hours are Monday to Wednesday 9:00 am to 1:00 pm and 2:00 pm to 3:00 pm and Saturday mornings from 10:30 am to 12 noon. Available at the office are Baptism and Confirmation Certificates. Bookings for Baptisms and appointments with the priests are made. Mass Cards are available and signed. Parishioners are welcome to call or phone 021-4871206.

Fr. George

MINISTERS OF THE WORD

Nov-08 & Nov-09-2008

St. Mary & St. John

Christ Our Light

6:00 pm (Vigil)
Michael Fitton
Paul Kearns
8:30 am
Susan Fennell
10:00 am
Sinead O'Connor
Eileen O'Connell
12:00 Noon
Declan Chalmers

7:30 pm (Vigil)
Michael Greene
11:00 am
Chide Ebili
Karen Flavin
12:30 pm
Kay Carew
Jane O'Leary
5:30 pm
Emily Hardman

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	Monday	8:30 am & 6:30 pm
9:30 am & 8 pm	Tuesday	8:30 am & 6:30 pm
9:30 am & 8 pm	Wednesday	8:30 am & 6:30 pm
9:30 am & 8 pm	Thursday	8:30 am & 6:30 pm
9:30 am & 8 pm	Friday	8:30 am & 6:30 pm
10:00 am & 6 pm (Vigil)	Saturday	7:30 pm (Vigil)

CONFESSIONS

After 10:00 am Mass & before 6:00 pm Mass **Saturday**

BAPTISMS

4:30 pm	Saturday	4:30 pm
Except First Saturday of Month		First Saturday of Month
12:45 pm	Sunday	



MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST

Nov-08 & Nov-09-2008

St. Mary & St. John

Christ Our Light

6.00 pm Michael Maher
Ber Bell
Betty Casey
Frank Riordan
Siobhan Riordan
Sr. Martha

7:30 pm Geraldine Lynch
Charlie Vaughan
Joan Stephenson

11:00 am Neil Jeffers
Eileen O'Donoghue
Bridie O'Donnell
Bridie Hanrahan

8:30 am Mary Buckley
Theresa Lucey
Triona Collins

10:00 am Anne Cahill
Pat Lee
May Delaney
Cathy Horgan
John O'Donovan
Betty Flavin

12:30 pm Denis O' Mahony
Christine O'Mahony
Tom Murray
John O'Regan

12 Noon Joan Barrett
Sheila Carroll
Seamus O'Donovan
Joe Coghlan
Rose Moore
Catherine Greene

5:30 pm Bernard Curran
Clare Curran

PARISH CLERGY

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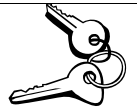
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