

THE BALLINCOLLIG PARISHIONER



St. Mary & St. John
Station Road

Sunday 03-October-2010

Twenty Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

Day for Life

Our faith is so often put to the test not just by intellectual doubts but by the difficulties of life. The paradox is that it is only faith that will bring us to life through these trials. It is only faith that allows us to see beyond what we give to what we have already been given by God himself.



Christ Our Light
Innishmore

Lord, Increase Our Faith

In today's first reading the prophet Habakkuk asks God why he does not intervene in the suffering of his chosen people: "How long Lord am I to cry for help, and you will not listen"? 'Where is God' is a question I'm sure many of us ask when our life is in turmoil and we feel God has abandoned us. There are so many challenges in our lives. There are so many crises we all have to face.

In the gospel reading the disciples ask Jesus, "Lord, increase our faith." Faith is a precious gift we have freely received from God. It is easy to say that we have faith in him when everything is going fine. But in moments of crisis, God also wants us to have faith in him. In those moments, let us turn to Jesus asking him to increase our faith. In our day to day struggles, it is our faith which makes us reach out to God for strength and courage. What St Paul says to Timothy in the second Reading, we can take as being advice for us also today: to remain faithful to Christ despite the hardships that we will encounter and to fan in to a flame the gift that God gave us. We are reminded: 'you have been trusted with something precious, guard it with the help of the Holy Spirit who lives in us'. The challenge for each of us is to persevere in our faith - to remain faithful to God when all is dark and difficult. We thank God for his gift of Faith and pray for all who are struggling today.

This Sunday (3rd Oct), we celebrate 'Day for Life' - a day set aside each year by the Catholic Church to raise awareness about the meaning and value of human life at every stage from conception to death. This year we are invited to reflect on 'the meaning of Christian death and care for those who are dying'. In the Preface for Christian death, we pray: 'Lord, for your faithful people, life is changed, not ended'. Death is not an end. Through the death and resurrection of Jesus we have been given the hope that one day we too will share in the life of the Resurrection. Today let us remember in prayer those who are dying and those who are caring for them. May their faith sustain them and may they experience God's love and peace.

Sr. Colette

Reflection for Parents

We often fall into bed at night declaring to the empty darkness, "No one appreciates all I did today." Perhaps it's the lot of parents to spend most of their years in a state of exhaustion, but when those little legs climb up to our laps and tiny hands clutch our necks in a hug, we don't feel quite so weary or burdened. The smile that crosses our lips shows our true appreciation for God's gift and the service we offer is our gift in return.

PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL

Priest

As people of faith we stand before the Lord to present our needs, confident that we will be heard

Reader

We pray for all who spread the gospel; that they may help and encourage people to seek the things that are beyond their reach and never be ashamed of witnessing to the Lord.

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

We pray for all those who hold political office; that they may strive to fight injustice both at home and abroad.

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

We pray for ourselves; that we may fan the flame of the gift that God gave us and witness to the power of the Spirit of power, love and self-control at work in our lives.

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

We pray for our community. May we, following the example of Christ, be models of mercy and forgiveness.

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

We pray for the dying and those who care for them. May they be encouraged by these words of scripture 'Come you whom my father and has blessed, inherit the kingdom prepared for you'.

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

For those who have died; that they may be raised to new life to share in the heavenly banquet.

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

Priest

Heavenly Father, you are good to those who hope in you, who are searching for your love. Grant us what we need today. We make these, and all our prayers, through Christ, your beloved son. Amen.

O that today you would listen to his voice! Harden not your hearts.

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BAPTISMS

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

Jayden Aaron Bacchus, London.
 William Patrick O'Keeffe, Leesdale Grove.
 Charlie Stephen Holland, Glendower Court.
 Gavin Sean Sheppard, Chestnut Grove, Classes Lake.
 John Kieran Kelleher, Glincool Gardens.
 Ryan Christopher Moriarty, Oldcourt Drive.
 Ryan David Cronin, The Willows, Classes Lake.
 Jamie Wayne Hourigan, The Cloisters.
 Kevin James Kelleher, Glasheen Road.

MARRIAGES

CONGRATULATIONS TO:

David J Bubyán, & Gemma Bernadette Hennessy, Inniscarra View.
 Peter Anthony O'Leary, & Lorraine Theresa O'Shea, Leslies Arch.
 Brian F O'Sullivan, & Deirdre E O'Callaghan, Westcourt Heights.
 Brian J Keohane, & Catherine M Moloney, Westcourt Heights.
 Macdarra R Kierse, & Emma C O'Connor, Maglin Circle.
 Leigh S Quilty & Olive A Murphy, Glenside, Ardmore.
 Adrian D Golden, Model Farm Rd & Niam Ahern, Innishmore Ct.
 Damien J. Smyth, Co Tyrone & Gobnait H O'Keeffe, Westcliffe.
 Stephen Barr & Ciara A Kehily, Distillery Ct, The Maltings.
 John R Fitzgerald, Leamlara & Grace M Lehane, Knockburden.
 Thomas M Wallace & Geraldine M O'Brien, The Willows, Classis Lake.
 Alan Oliver O'Leary & Ciara M McKenna, Granary Court, The Maltings.
 Damien M O'Mahony, Innishmore Ct & Mairead O'Regan, Leemount.
 Gerard J Creedon, & Karina M P Sheehan, Aherla.
 Adrian J Crowley & Lorraine M Jones, Tareltón, Macroom.
 Mark W Lucey & Geraldine P McDonnell, Elm Lawn, Muskerry Est.
 Andrew J Hutchinson, Cloyne & Niamh M Flynn, Beech Pk .
 Anthony P Quinn, & Krista Nesbitt, Park Road, Muskerry Est.
 David P O'Hanlon & Aoife M Kiely, Hollyhill Hts.
 Lukasz Grejner & Sylwia Jarzab, Granary Court, The Maltings.
 Sean J Twomey & Niamh Hegarty, Mulgannon, Wexford.
 Michael P Haydon & Gillian M O'Callaghan, Millers Ct, Old Quarter.
 Conor J McCarthy, Douglas & Elaine Cahill, Cherry Walk, Muskerry Est. † **IN SYMPATHY** †

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

Breda Twomey, Barrack St & Ballydehob.
 Jimmy Flaherty, New Foundland.
 Dan Foley, Kilmurry.
 Jimmy Daly, Grange Manor & Bandon.
 Brendan Lynch, Oldcourt, Greenfields.

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

Christy Buckley, Bakers Road.
 James O'Sullivan, Kilmichael.
 Fr. Timothy Nolan, Knocknagree.
 Ruan Linehan, Coachford
 Willie Kavanagh, Raheen.
 Margaret Sheehan, Kilmurry.
 Sonny Sheehan, Ballypnehane.
 Michael Barry Murphy, Carriganarra.
 Susan O'Driscoll, Carrigdena.
 Henry & Nellie, Skibbereen.
 Pat & Sherrie O'Riordan, Castlepark & Boston.
 James & Elizabeth Flynn, Durrus.
 Charlie & Sheila Hegarty.
 Frances Shanahan, Union Hall.
 Fr Sean Murphy, Station Road.
 Neil O'Leary, Muskerry Estate.
 Michael Ring, Castlepark & Dungourney.
 Willie O'Mahony, Glanmire & Drimoleague.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Twenty Seventh Week In Ordinary Time

03 Sunday Hab. 1 :2-3, 2:2-4. Ps. 94. 2 Tim. 1: 6-8, 13-14. Lk. 17:5-10. Lect I: 917
 04 Monday Gal. 1: 6-12. Ps. 110. Lk. 10:25-37. Lect II: 801
 05 Tuesday Gal. 1: 13-24. Ps. 138. Lk. 10:38-42. Lect II: 804
 06 Wednesday Gal. 2: 1-2, 7 -14. Ps. 116. Lk. 11: 1-4. Lect II: 806
 07 Thursday Acts 1: 12-14. Ps. Lk. 1. Lk. 1: 26-28. Lect II: 1217
 08 Friday Gal. 3:7-14. Ps. 110. Lk. 11:15-26. Lect II: 810
 09 Saturday Gal. 3:22-29. Ps. 104. Lk. 11:27-28. Lect II: 812

Next Sunday's Readings 10-October-2010

**Ballincollig Parish
 Bereavement Support**

There will be a Bereavement Support Programme commencing in Ballincollig on Tuesday 5th October. It will continue each Tuesday night for 8 weeks (7.30-9.30 pm). Anyone who is experiencing the grief and loss of a loved one, is very welcome to attend. For further information, please contact:

Sr Colette O'Leary: 086.3557375 or Parish Office:

Mothers Prayers' Groups

Continue every Wednesday at **10.30 am**
 In meeting Room at Christ our Light Church
 And every Thursday at **10.00 am**
 In Annex of Parish Hall

All Mothers, Grandmothers, Godmothers are welcome to come along on either of these mornings to pray for their children and the youth of our Parish

Ballinhassig Parish

Flower Festival

"Our Parish through the Ages"

Most Holy Heart of Mary Church, Goggins Hill
 Friday October 8th 2010

Opening at 7.30 pm by Mary C.O'Keeffe
 (Immediate past President of AOIFA
 & Incoming Vice President of Wafa)

followed by Refreshments in Goggins Hill School

Saturday 9th - Viewing 10.00 am - 6.00 pm

Sunday 10th - Viewing 11.00 am - 5.00 pm

Closing Liturgy - 5.00 pm.

Admission 10.00 Euro (including refreshments)

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THE SUNDAY READINGS

First Reading: Habakkuk 1:2-3; 2:2-4

In the first reading, Habakkuk cannot understand why God does not intervene to save his chosen people from their enemies. God himself gives the answer: they need faith.

Second Reading: 2 Timothy 1:6-8, 13-14

In the second reading, Timothy, a bishop in the early Church, is told to bear witness to his faith.

Gospel: Luke 17:5-10

Parents often live this Gospel well. Better than most people, they know what it means to "serve" without expecting a reward. For many, parenthood is reward enough. Jesus explained to the disciples in this passage that service was a requirement of discipleship. When the disciples asked how they could have more faith, Jesus explained that faith was a gift. Faith is not something we control, but only something we can appreciate as a gift from God. To show our appreciation, however, Jesus demonstrated through a lesson of service how we could show our thankfulness to God for the gift of faith. When we share our faith with others and demonstrate it by showing the love of God to those we meet, we proclaim our gratitude.

October - The Mysteries of the Rosary

Until about the 15th century hundreds of mysteries were part of the Rosary devotion then the 15 mysteries that we know today were definitively fixed as "the Mysteries of the Rosary." Pope John Paul II, in his encyclical, Rosarium Virginis Mariae, in 2002 added the five Luminous Mysteries.

Through the meditations of the complete Rosary one recalls and has impressed on his mind, the Popes tell us, "the chief mysteries of the Christian religion," "the mysteries of our Redemption," "the great mysteries of Jesus and His Mother united in joys, sorrows, and triumphs." The twenty mysteries are divided into four equal groups, known as "The Joyful," "The Sorrowful," "The Glorious," and "The Luminous Mysteries."

Interested in exploring your Faith?

Enjoy being part of a group where you can freely discuss subjects like God, Life, Ministry, etc.?

If so, why not join us on the new **Pathways: Exploring Faith and Ministry** programme starting later this month. Nights include presentations from a variety of speakers and an opportunity to reflect with others. No previous knowledge or experience required. Contact Fr. Sean O' Sullivan in the diocesan Adult Religious Education office at 021-7336053 or email sean.osullivan@corkandross.org More information available online at www.corkandross.org under the Upcoming Events menu.

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Bulletin Board

Children's Mass

The Children's Mass continues every **Sunday at 11.00 am in Christ Our Light**. The Children of 2nd class retire to the crying room at the beginning of Mass where they celebrate The Liturgy of the Word in child friendly fashion – word searches, colouring and maze search are some of the methods used. Volunteers are welcome and needed to help, training and practice will be given. Parents are welcome to join their Children for the celebration of the Word of God. We invite Parents of First Communion children to please try and bring Children to this Mass. Bringing your Child to the Sunday Mass is an important preparation for your Child's First Holy Communion. Looking forward to seeing you.

Mass Book

Dates available to book Mass Intentions for October, November & December in Christ Our Light Church.

Dates for your Diary

Novena for the dead: 2nd – 10th November both churches
Mass for the recently deceased: 11th November at 8.00 pm in St Mary & St John Church
Mass in St Oliver's Cemetery: 6th November at 2 pm
Mass in St Mary's & St John's Cemetery: 13th November at 2 pm

Trocaire Collections

The total Lenten Trocaire collection this year amounted to €4,635. This money will be distributed to help the poor in the less developed countries of the world.

The Trocaire collection for the flood victims of Pakistan amounted to €4,918. Your overall generosity has been greatly appreciated

Confirmation dates for 2011

Scoil Barra	Tuesday, 5th April.
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Scoil Mhuire	Wednesday, 13th April.
Scoil Eoin	Monday, 9 th May.
Gaelscoil Ui Riordain	Thursday, 19 th May.

Fr. George

It is those small human gestures of friendship and support that are important: the greeting in the street, the smile across the crowd, the occasional helping hand.

October Scripture Series

"Our Ancestors in the Faith: Abraham and Sarah in the Book of Genesis"

Four sessions of Bible Study, presented by Charles Conroy MSC in the Sacred Heart Centre, Western Road, Cork at 7.30 pm on Tuesday, Oct 5th, 12th, 19th, and 26th October.

Please bring your Bible! There will be ample time for open discussion about the texts.

Suggested donation for the series: €20 (€10 Senior Citizens / Students).

To book a place call 021-4346711.

All are welcome.

Thank You

I would like to thank the Priests and People of Ballincollig for the kindness and gratitude shown to me on the occasion of my retirement as Sacristan of the Church of Christ Our Light, Ballincollig.
Siobhan Burke

MINISTERS OF THE WORD

Oct-09 & Oct-10-2010

St. Mary & St. John

Christ Our Light

6:00 pm (Vigil)
Muireann Nelligan

8:30 am
Eadaoin O'Leary
Gerard O'Leary

10:00 am
Hannah Bunyan
Stephen Bunyan

12:00 Noon
Tony Lynch
Even Keating

7:30 pm (Vigil)
Niamh Murray

11:00 am
Jack Dorgan

12:30 pm
Brian O'Donoghue
Chidera Ebili

5:30 pm
Phil O'Connell

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

Monday

8:30 am

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9:30 am

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9:30 am

Friday

8:30 am

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
Except First Saturday of
Month

Saturday

4:30 pm
First Saturday of Month

12:45 pm

Sunday

PARISH CLERGY

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MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST

Oct-09 & Oct-10-2010

St. Mary & St. John

Christ Our Light

6.00 pm Michael Maher
Ber Bell
Betty Casey
Frank Riordan
Siobhan Riordan
Pauline Quane

7:30 pm Geraldine Lynch
Charlie Vaughan
Joan Stephenson
Bernie Bowen

8:30 am Mary Buckley
Theresa Lucey
Triona Collins

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

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

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

12 Noon Helen Plunkett
Sheila Carroll
Seamus O'Donovan
Joe Coghlan
Catherine Greene

5:30 pm Bernard Curran
Siobhan Burke



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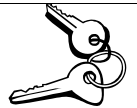
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