

THE BALLINCOLLIG PARISHIONER



St. Mary & St. John
Station Road

Sunday 04-May-2014

Third Sunday of Easter

Sudden, unexpected death shocks and confuses us; it is all the more bitter when it comes to someone whose life is full of promise. Such a death was not futile for Jesus because it was part of God's purpose. Like Him we may be called to "suffer these things and enter into glory".



Christ Our Light
Innishmore

When Jesus was at the table with the two disciples, he took the bread.....

On more than one occasion as I have followed through on something I sent away an order I've been told it's on the way; it's in the post. That's when you begin to think that somebody is only playing for time and they'll probably deal with the query then.

Many businesses use their selling point / pitch on the promise of same-day delivery or at least one working day for response. It's refreshing and surprising when somebody is as good as their word. I believe that the Resurrection appearances of Jesus are measures taken by Him to confirm over a period of time the truth and authenticity of His Resurrection. God's promise of faithfulness to His Anointed One.

The Resurrection Appearances are recounted for us through our liturgy during the Easter Season until Ascension Day, June 1st, and are confirming the miracle of the triumph of God over death.

Jesus doesn't leave things in a kind of vacuum and limbo where the whole purpose of His Mission could get lost.

The true Teacher, Messiah, and Lord understands the real need for confirmation of His Resurrection to be given to those entrusted to carry on with bringing His message, His insights, His enduring love and fellowship to humankind.

Indeed the evidence of Jesus being Lord and Saviour is precisely His Resurrection Appearances and His pouring forth of His gift of His risen Spirit of peace and truth upon the Church.

Last Sunday we heard of the visits by Jesus to the Upper Room and a particular encounter with St Thomas. He offered words of peace and His Spirit to bring healing and reconciliation and the showed His wounds.

The story of the Gospel appearance of the risen Jesus given in the gospel extract from Saint Luke today is very great. The Emmaus story provides us with so many opportunities to enter the story and make journeys of faith, understanding, listening, awareness, memory, enlightenment. As present-day disciples we are offered insight into God's word that might transform darkness to light, despair to hope, bread broken to Eucharist. Marvelous opportunities to insert our own journey of faith, life, into the presence of the One who accompanies us, loves us, understands us, lifts us.

We ask the Lord to open our hearts, our minds, our awareness, to the reality of His Resurrected Presence in the breaking of bread, His word, and within ourselves. Perhaps we might consider the settings in which we might invite the Lord into the places we break bread and share a meal; where we speak, walk, pray.

Dave O'Connell

PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL

Priest

As people of faith and hope, we pray to God to show us the path of life.

Reader

For the Pope and the Bishops: that they may lead the people of God with courage and love.

Lord, Hear us,

Lord, graciously hear us.

For our political leaders: that they may never take the easy way out and so abandon the right way.

Lord, Hear us,

Lord, graciously hear us.

For those who are sad and disillusioned: that Christ may renew their faith and hope.

Lord, Hear us,

Lord, graciously hear us.

For each other: that especially in dark moments, we may put our trust in God and in his love for us.

Lord, Hear us,

Lord, graciously hear us.

For our dear ones whom death has taken away from us: that the Lord may bring them to a place of refreshment, light and peace.

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

All-powerful God, in your mercy inflame our hearts and raise our spirits, so that we may journey towards your kingdom with renewed hope. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Show us, Lord, the path of life.

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READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Third Week Of Easter

04 Sunday Acts 2: 14, 22-33. Ps. 15. 1 Pet. 1: 17-21. Lk. 24: 13-35. Lect I: 461
 05 Monday Acts 6:8-15. Ps. 118. Jn. 6:22-29. Lect I: 472
 06 Tuesday Acts 7:51-8: 1. Ps. 30. Jn. 6:30-35. Lect I: 474
 07 Wednesday Acts 8: 1-8. Ps. 65. Jn. 6:35-40. Lect I: 476
 08 Thursday Acts 8:26-40. Ps. 65. Jn. 6:44-51 Lect I: 479
 09 Friday Acts 9: 1-20. Ps. 116. Jn. 6:52-59. Lect I: 481
 10 Saturday Acts 9:31-42. Ps. 115. Jn. 6:60-69. Lect I: 484

Next Sunday's Readings 11/May/2014

Acts 2:14, 36-41. Ps. 22. 1 Pet. 2:20-25. Jn. 10:1-10. Lect I: 487

Cork and Ross Lourdes Pilgrimage

There are some places available on the Diocesan pilgrimage to Lourdes from 11th to 16th June for people needing care/assistance to travel and stay in the Accueil (Hospital) for the 6 days. If you or someone you know is interested please contact tel: 021 4537474 before 8th May.

Also, availability for pilgrims or parish groups who would like to travel with the Diocese and stay in hotels call 021 4537474

Befriending the Psalms

Cork Scripture Group is pleased to announce a public workshop on the psalms with Mr. Seán Brennan on Saturday May 10th 2014 from 10.00am -1.30pm in the Munster Arms Hotel, Bandon. All Welcome
 An introduction followed by a workshop pondering selected psalms will show how God's own prayer book moulds us in psalm-shaped prayerfulness. In the ups, downs, and in-betweens of everyday living, participants will in time find themselves befriending the Book of Psalms.

Details and Booking: corksripturegroup@gmail.com
 Cost: €5

SHEP in collaboration with **We Made This** is running a programme of short (20 hour) course between April and June. Topics amongst others include, Introduction to Personal Development, Men's Health, Women's Health, Seasons for Growth – Living with Grief, Loss and Change & Managing Stress in Our Daily Lives. For information or to apply contact Liam or Geraldine at 021 4666180

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BAPTISMS

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

Luke Timothy Bannon, Coopers Grange, Old Quarter.
 Briella Sinead Agbonghae, Hazel Grove, Muskerry Estate.
 Neviah Roberta Agbonghae, Hazel Grove, Muskerry Estate.
 Amy Anne Kelly, Wyndham Downs.
 Alexandra Maria Jones Harte, Timoleague.
 Senan Javier O'Donoghue Alvarez, Rosewood.
 Zach Diarmuid Walsh Murphy, The Sycamores, Classes Lake.

† IN SYMPATHY †

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

Rennie Layman, Boston/Tower.
 Michael O'Mahony, South Douglas Road.
 Liam O'Brien, Kilkenny.
 Gearoid O'Cathain, Inniscarra View.

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

Michael Noonan, Parknamore.
 Liam & Joseph Barrett, Blackstone Bridge & Mallow.
 Neil & Mary Prenderville, Lower Road.
 James Murphy, Knocknagree.
 Mary Mollohan, Dublin.
 Clare McSwiney, Cloghroe.
 Paddy Healy, East Gate,
 Jeremiah & Catherine Cunningham, Dillon's Cross.
 Edmond O'Donovan, Cloyne.
 Trevor Kelleher, Rosewood.
 John Morrissey, Donerail.
 Bernard Connaughton, Minnesota / Galway.
 Con, Bridie & Brian Murphy, Beara.
 Michael Linehan, Inniscarra.
 Patricia Murphy, Uam Var Ave.
 Eugene Courtney, Glincool Lawn.
 Margaret & Michael Murray, Greenhills Estate.
 Jim & Peggy Galvin, Model Farm Road.
 Michael Maverly, Evergreen Street.
 Danjo & Margaret O'Shea, The Crescent.

Care to Drive

The Irish Cancer Society is offering a free transport service to patients undergoing chemotherapy treatments in Cork University Hospital, Kerry General Hospital & the Mercy University Hospital, Cork. For more information, patients can contact their treatment team in the hospital or call Gail on 01 2310 566

THE SUNDAY READINGS

First Reading: Acts of the Apostles 2:14, 22-47
 Peter proclaimed that Jesus came with miracles, wonders, and signs so that people could know of God's love.

Second Reading: 1 Peter 1:17-21
 The blood of Christ, as of the sinless, unblemished lamb, delivered believers.

Gospel: Luke 24:13-35
 Despondent and discouraged, two of Jesus' apostles walked from Jerusalem to Emmaus. They talked on their way about the events that had occurred in the past several days. A stranger joined them, actually Jesus, but they didn't recognise him at first. Jesus asked the apostles what they had been discussing, and they responded with a summary of the events surrounding Jesus' death. The disciples still did not understand the resurrection, but Jesus questioned their resistance to believe what the prophets had foretold. Despite their hopelessness the apostles invited Jesus to stay with them. He accepted. It was that evening, when Jesus broke bread with them, that the disciples finally recognised the stranger to be Jesus. The next morning, the disciples returned to Jerusalem.

Ballincollig Annual Pilgrimage to Knock

Sunday May 25th
 Bus leaving Village at 7.30am sharp
 Contact: Sally 021 4870954 or Cathleen 021 4874730

"Mothers' Prayers"

will recommence
 Wednesday 30th April 10.30 a.m
 at Meeting Room at Christ our Light Church
 Thursday 1st May 10.00 a.m
 At Parish house - 'Sonas' - Station Road
 We welcome all Mothers, Grandmothers, Godmothers to join in prayer for all our children and the youth of our parish on one of these mornings

**Evening Certificate in Theology
 UCC September 2014**

UCC is introducing a new certificate in Christian Theology (Study of Religions). Participants take two courses: Topics in Christian Theology which introduces key areas including the person of Jesus, the Bible, the Trinity, the Church and contemporary Christianity; and Perspectives in Christian Theology which explores these themes more fully with readings and applications. In the first term these take place on Monday and Wednesday evenings and in the second term just on Monday evenings. These will be lively and participative sessions.. Alternatively participants can combine Topics in Christian Theology with a course on world religions: Religions in the Contemporary World. For more information about the Christian theology courses please contact Anne Francis 087-228-2134 abfrancis@eircom.net, or for information on any of the three courses contact Dr. Oliver Scharbrodt o.scharbrodt@ucc.ie 021-490-2359. For practical information about applying, cost, times and places contact the UCC Centre for Adult Continuing Education, 021 490 4700, email: ace@ucc.ie or check <http://www.ucc.ie/en/casr/>.

Bulletin Board

Bank Holiday Monday

Monday May 5th morning Mass at 9.30am in Church of St Mary & St John.

Diocesan Collection

The Diocesan Collection last week end amounted to €2980. Thank you for your generosity which is greatly appreciated.

Spring Dues

The priests of the Parish would like to thank you for returning the Spring Dues Envelopes. Your continued support is much appreciated.

Trocaire Boxes

Thanks to all who returned their Trocaire Boxes. Please return any outstanding boxes as soon as possible to the schools or to the church; when returned the money will be lodged in the Trocaire Account.

Confirmation

Congratulations boys who received the sacrament of Confirmation in Scoil Eoin. Sincere thanks to the parents and dedicated teachers who work diligently preparing young people for the sacrament.

Next Confirmation – Scoil Barra

Monday 12th May, 2014

Coeliac Host

Coeliac Host is available at all Masses in both churches. Generally the Priest celebrating the Mass has the Coeliac Host. To help the Celebrant you might please let him know before the Mass.

Fr. George

Male, Unemployed/Retired?

Looking for something to pass a few hours a week in your own time? An open evening for Men's Shed will be held in Sonas House, Station Road, Ballincollig, on May 13th from 7.30pm to 10pm.

Cuan Mhuire, Farnanes

Women's Addiction Treatment Centre are holding a 'Musical Memories' fundraiser on Wednesday 21st May at 2.30pm. Admission fee €5.

Reflection for Parents

To travel from Jerusalem to Emmaus, the disciples had to go west. But after their encounter with Jesus, they returned to Jerusalem, an eastward Journey. We often equate endings with sunsets and new beginnings with sunrises. It is helpful to recall that on the next morning, the apostles walked toward the rising sun. How many sunsets find us falling into bed collapsed from exhaustion? Isn't it true that after a good night's rest we meet the sunrise with new energy and hope? This Gospel gives us the courage to start again, each new day, with fresh enthusiasm and energy for ourselves, our families, and our God.

MINISTERS OF THE WORD

May/10 & May/11/2014

St. Mary & St. John

Christ Our Light

6:00 pm (Vigil)

Sandra Walsh
Brayden Peck
8:30 am
Pat Fennell

10:00 am

Shannan O'Brien
Erin Holmes

12:00 Noon

John Dorgan
Noella Ngenwie / Roisin Crewe

7:30 pm (Vigil)

Rosarie Cotter
Louise McGrath

11:00 am

Chide Ebili
Kristian Calvert

12:30 pm

Aisling Dore
Clara Herdman
5:30 pm
Christine O' Brien

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

No Mass

9:30 am

Tuesday

8:30 am

9:30 am

Wednesday

8:30 am

9:30 am

Thursday

8:30 am

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

Saturday

4:30 pm

Except First Saturday of
Month

First Saturday of Month

12:45 pm

Sunday

PARISH CLERGY

Priest on Duty
Fr. George O'Mahony P.P.
Fr. Dave O'Connell C.C.
Fr. James McSweeney

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Funeral Pastoral Team Rota

Week 5th May to 11th May

Brid Dunne

Sr. Colette O'Leary

Social / Coffee Mornings

Continue every Friday morning in parish house "Sonas"
on Station Road at 10 am.

Everyone welcome as it is an ideal opportunity to get
and know people from our community.

Home Share

Home Share is an initiative that provides short breaks for children and adults who attend COPE Foundation. Home Sharers are recruited from the community and the respite care/short break is provided in their family's home.

These short breaks can be for a couple of hours, overnights, week-ends or even longer.

Many families take great joy in caring for their loved ones, however providing this care on an ongoing basis can be extremely tiring and stressful. Having a short break from this care giving can be of huge benefit to the care giver, their family and the person being cared for.

Home Sharers can be working, retired, or unemployed with or without children, single or with a partner.

Training, support and an allowance will be provided to Home Sharers.

Interested?

If you would like more information or if you are interested in becoming a Home Sharer please ring Philip Grant on 021 4643238 or e-mail grantp@cope-foundation.ie



MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST

May/10 & May/11/2014

St. Mary & St. John

Christ Our Light

6.00 pm

Steve Wills
Margaret O'Sullivan
Danny Farrell
Jim Walsh
Frances O'Brien
Eileen Coughlan

7:30 pm

Anne O'Regan
Mairead Murphy
Finbarr Murray
Lettie Kelly
Mary Murphy

8:30 am

Mary Buckley
Rita Murphy
Denis Healy / Tom Butler

11:00 am

Seamus O'Connell
Mary O'Connell
Alan O'Riordan
Geraldine Keohane
Gerard Murray

10:00 am

Christina Walsh
Peter Reilly
Mary Collins
Christy Roche
Katie O'Shea
Claire Creedon

12:30 pm

Lucy O'Callaghan
Jackie Sheehan
Mary Green
Michael O'Leary
J.P.O'Leary

12 Noon

Oliver O'Donovan
Sean Hennessy
Mary McLean
Eleanor Seymour
Nora Hennessy

5:30 pm

Noelle Buckley
Mary Breen