

THE BALLINCOLLIG PARISHIONER

Sunday 06-June-2004



St. Mary & St. John
Station Road



The Most Holy Trinity

Today's feast tells us not just about God, but about the heart of our Christian living. Believing in Christ makes us one with him and brings us to the Father. He gives us His Spirit, to be the driving force of our lives.



Christ Our Light
Innishmore

Trinity Sunday

Trinity Sunday is not an easy feast. How would we be expected to know very much about the life of God not to mention the intimate life of God? Even our own life and the life of others remain hidden from us. As believers we know that God is not alone, He has created human beings to be next to Him. The Jews did not even give God a name, just as we do not call our boss or our teacher by name; instead we call them, Miss; Mr. or the principal. It is not good to be too often too near those who are the boss. It is not good practice to knock very often on the office door of the manager or the principal.

Yet would it not be better if God were more approachable? Was it not as an answer to this quest that God appeared in Jesus Christ, who was recognised as the Son of God? There is even more; it is nice to be able to sit next to Jesus, nice to be able to appeal to Him in need, it is nice to receive His Body, it is nice to be able to knock at His door. Just pause for a moment. Just sit down for a few minutes; ask yourself how do I relate to God, how does God relate to you, Parent, brother, sister and your life and Spirit. Unbelievable and yet true; we are members of God's family.

Temperance or the pledges are two words rarely used in our conversations, yet both refer to behaviours that are part of every day life. During the past month the sixth class pupils in the local schools and their teachers have given some time to discussing the pro's and cons of a Pledge. The pledge in question is one way of trying to cope with alcohol and illegal drugs during the early teen years. I don't think that there is any simple way of preparing young people to learn to deal with alcohol in their lives and managing to live their lives with a variety of illegal drugs freely available. The pledge may help some but all of us adults have a duty to help our teenagers to learn to live, socialise and work in a society where the abuse of alcohol and the use of illegal drugs leads to pain, suffering and sometimes the waste of lives. Lets try at least to give our young people every help and support.

George O'Mahony

Reflection for Parents

The connection of "Trinity" is seen in the relationships of our families. Often the Holy Trinity is referred to as love, truth, and peace. God the Father loves us. Through his Son, Jesus, God's love is revealed. The peace of the Holy Spirit remains with us as a guide in our faith. Our families are also built on these three values: love, truth, and peace. Consider your own family to see where these qualities are noticeable.

PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL

Priest

With confidence let us bring our prayers before God.

Reader

For the whole church, that all may worship one God in Three persons, and proclaim the faith with appreciation and joy.

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

For the Spirit's gift of Wisdom.

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

For all those preparing for examinations at this time.

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

For those who feel rejected, isolated, or forgotten, and for all who suffer, that they may know that Christians care for them.

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

For all those in positions of leadership in church and civic society, that they may lead with courage and with care.

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

For all who have died that they may enter the home prepared for them.

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

Priest

Father, you sent your Son to lead us to all truth and your Spirit to fill us with love. Hear the prayer we make to you through Jesus Christ, Our Lord.

Amen.

How great is your name, O Lord our God, through all the earth!

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BAPTISMS

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

Aoife Mary O'Shea, 35 The Cloisters.
 Claire Aoife Sweeney, 14 Berryfield, Classis Lake, Ovens.
 SORCHA Nora McCarthy, 149 Rosewood.
 Katie Margaret Hannor, 7 The Grove, Coolroe Meadows.
 Caoimhe Catherine Gleeson, 20 Willow Grove, Coolroe Heights.

† **IN SYMPATHY** †
PLEASE PRAY FOR THE FAMILY AND FRIENDS OF THE RECENTLY DECEASED :

Letitia Moore, 69 Beech Park.

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

Kate & Fred Nash, Short Range, Powdermills.
 The Murphy, Kelleher, Conway & Vaughan Families.
 Gillian Moore, Kildimo, Co. Limerick.
 Teddy Roche, Sweetbriar Lane.
 Margaret, Jerome & Donal McCarthy, Carriganarra.
 Tom & Joe Heaton, Pearse Place.
 May Murphy.
 The O'Mahony Family, Ballinora.
 Maura, Margaret & Patrick Kelly, Beech Park & Iveleary.
 Timothy Cronin, Limerick.
 Ann Agnew, Dundalk.
 Bernard Flanagan, Castle Park.
 Finbarr McCarthy, Garryhesta, Ovens.
 Mark Fogarty, Clash Road.
 Mary Ann Finn, Barryduff.
 Maureen Callanan, West Village.
 Ken Dolan.
 Des McGreevy.
 Ann Greenside, Kinsale.
 Denis Horgan, St. Theresa's Road.
 Therese Browne, Douglas.
 Peter & Lily McGuire, Glincool Park.
 Pearl Collins, St. Theresa's Road.

He who truly desires Love, seeks it truly. And he who truly seeks it, surely finds it. And he who finds it has found the Fountain of Life

St. Francis de Sales

EUCCHARISTIC PROCESSION

This year's Eucharistic Procession will take place on Saturday 12th June 2004 following 6.00 pm Mass at St. Mary & St. John's Church. The procession will be from the Church to East Gate Followed by Benediction in Car Park.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Tenth Week In Ordinary Time

06 Sunday Prov. 8:22-31. Ps. 8. Rom. 5: 1-5. In. 16: 12-15 Lect I: 615
 07 Monday 1 K. 17: 1-6. Ps. 120. Mt. 5: 1-12. Lect II: 574
 08 Tuesday 1 K. 17:7-16. Ps 4. Mt 5:13-16. Lect II: 576
 09 Wednesday Col. 1 :24-29. Ps. 15. Mk. 10:17-30. Lect II: 1345
 10 Thursday 1 K. 18:41-46. Ps. 64. Mt. 5:20-26. Lect II: 581
 11 Friday Acts 11:21-26, 13:1-3. Ps. 97. Mt. 10:7-13. Lect II: 1058
 12 Saturday 1 K. 19:19-21. Ps .15. Mt. 5:33-37. Lect II: 585

Next Sunday's Readings 13-June-2004
 Gen. 14:18-20. Ps. 109. 1 Cor. 11:23-26. Lk. 9:11- 17. Lect I: 625

Fundraising

In aid of Children's Playground, Bandon

St Peter's Church, Bandon on Friday, June 11 at 8pm. the West Cork Choral Singers will perform the *Messiah* by G. F. Handel. Conductor - Diana Llewellyn, Soloists - Deirdre Moynihan (Soprano), Pauline Frizelle (Alto), Bob Beare (Tenor) and Michael Mc Gowan (Bass). Trumpet - Carbry O'Sullivan. Accompanists - Annabel Adams & Antoinette Baker.

Tickets: €15, (O.A.P. €10, U. 18 free). Available from Brookes's pharmacy, O'Farrell's and Eric Hickey's news agencies, Bandon

All-Night Vigil at Knock

Friday 18th June 2004
 Feasts' Of The Sacred Heart of Jesus and The Immaculate Heart of Mary
 €20.00 Return
 Bus will leave St. Mary & Johns' Church at 3:45 pm sharp.
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THE SUNDAY READINGS

First Reading: Prov. 8:22-31
 Wisdom is an attribute of God. The Book of Proverbs identifies God with the Wisdom, which existed before the world was created.

Second Reading: Rom. 5:1-5
 St. Paul reminds us that the love of God has been poured into our hearts by the Holy Spirit.

Gospel: John 16:12-15
 While the term "Trinity" is more the result of early Christian communities than it is scripture, today's Gospel helps us see the interconnectedness of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. This Gospel reveals Jesus' words at the Last Supper. The disciples could not understand the meaning of Jesus' words because they had not yet witnessed the resurrection. But Jesus explained that everything he had taught them and the witness he bore was from the Father. He assured them that he and the Spirit were one and that the Spirit spoke only what had been told by the Father through Jesus? The Spirit would remain with the community until Jesus returned in glory.



SAINT OF THE WEEK
Saint Colman of Dromore 07-June-2004

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 The first bishop of Dromore in County Down, was this St. Colman, who founded a monastery there, probably about the year 514. He was venerated from early times in Scotland as well as in Ireland, and under the date of June 7 we find him mentioned in several of the ancient calendars of both Countries--sometimes as Mocholmoc, or Mocholmog--"my dear little Colum". The Felire of Oengus describes him as "the great descendant of Artae", but nothing is actually known of his parentage and of his career. The manuscripts of a much later date which profess to relate his life are full of anachronisms and extravagant stories. As there are over two hundred Irish saints of the name of Coman, it is scarcely to be wondered at if their histories have become confused. According to tradition, St. Colman of Dromore was born in Dalriada. After receiving his early training at Nendrum from St. Coelan, he became a disciple of St. Ailbe of Emly.

Among his friends was St. Macanisius, whose advice he sought as to his future career. "It is the will of God that you erect a monastery within the bounds of Coba plain", was the answer he received. He accordingly set to work and established his community by the river Lagan which passes through Dromore. The most famous of his pupils was St. Finnian of Moville. St. Colman seems to have died about the middle of the sixth century or somewhat earlier, and was probably interred at Dromore, though the Breviary of Aberdeen gives Inchmacome as his place of burial.

Missionaries of the Sacred Heart

We are celebrating our 150th Anniversary this year. The celebrations will include a special pilgrimage to Knock Shrine on Saturday 24th July. A day-return coach will leave Western Road that morning.
 Enquiries and bookings to Marie Duffy at (021) 4541207.

Mass Book Opens

The Book for reserving Masses for July, August & September
 Will be opened on Saturday morning, June 12th

**SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT DE PAUL
 MONTHLY COLLECTION**

This Weekend
 5th & 6th June 2004

PLEASE SUPPORT

FATIMA APOSTOLATE GROUP

The monthly meetings of the Apostolate for the months of June, July and August will be held on the following dates

Monday June 7th 2004

Monday July 5th 2004

Monday August 2nd 2004

The meetings will be held each month at 7 pm in the Youth House, Station Road.

Present members and new members are all welcome to attend



We would like to take this opportunity to thank you most sincerely for your support for Trocaire's Lenten Campaign this year. We here in Trocaire are all aware that your support is absolutely vital to the success of our Campaign. Each year, we take encouragement from the wonderful efforts made throughout the country - in distributing the Lenten boxes, in encouraging support amongst parishioners and also in collecting and counting the coin. It is these concrete efforts, at parish level, that enable us to continue our long-term work with the poorest communities in Africa, Asia and Latin America.

This year's collection amounted to €7,275.53

Our Lady of Fatima Statue Pilgrimage

The National Pilgrim of the Virgin Statue of Our Lady of Fatima, which was blessed by Pope Paul 1, will visit St. Mary and St. John Church, Ballincollig on Saturday 12th to Saturday 19th June 2004. Procession of the statue takes place at 9.30 am and Mass at 10.00 am. Rosary will take place after procession. Enrolment in the Brown Scapular. "If you do as I ask many souls will be saved and there will be peace" (Our Lady at Fatima).

A Student's Prayer At Exam Time

You know Lord, no matter how often exams come along, it's always the same. I've been through all this before: the late nights, the cramming, the funny feeling in the pit of my stomach; and there always seems to be so much still left to do. You would think I might be getting used to it now. I'm not asking you to make up for what I have not done Lord. What I am asking is a restful night's sleep and freedom from useless worrying. Help me to have confidence in what I have done, and to get it down during the exam in some kind of order. And while I think of it Lord, take care of all the others too! Amen.

MINISTERS OF THE WORD

Jun-12 & Jun-13-2004

St. Mary & St. John

Christ Our Light

6:00 pm (Vigil)
Karen Sheehan
8:30 am
Elizabeth Daly
10:00 am
Dave Murphy
12:00 Noon
Tony Hegarty

8:00 pm (Vigil)
Joy O'Driscoll
11:00 am
Catherine Cronin
12:30 pm
Dick Beamish
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

8:30 am

9:30 am

Tuesday

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Thursday

8:30 am

9:30 am

Friday

8:30 am

10:00 am & 6 pm (Vigil)

Saturday

9:00 am & 8 pm (Vigil)

CONFESSIONS

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

Saturday

After 9:00 am Mass

BAPTISMS

5:00 pm

Saturday

7:15 pm

12:45 pm

Sunday

PARISH CLERGY

Priest on Duty

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Fr. Michael O'Mahony C.C.

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MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST

Jun-12 & Jun-13-2004

St. Mary & St. John

Christ Our Light

6.00 pm Aisling Kelly
Eileen Murphy
Ted Nelligan
Angela Murphy
Ann O'Connell
Sheila Walshe

8:00 pm John O'Donoghue
Eleanor O'Donoghue
Kathleen Daly

8:30 am Helen Kelly
Annette Collins

11:00 am Mary O'Mahony
Margaret Brown
Mona Bowen
Billy Barry

10:00 am Miriam Maunsell
Mary Buckley
Breda Ring
Jerry O'Connor
Mary O'Regan

12:30 pm Mary Twomey
Terry O'Driscoll
Bernie O'Driscoll
Maura O'Driscoll

12 Noon Louie O'Leary
John Walshe
Pat Kelleher
Irene O'Brien
Ellen O'Sullivan
Chris Cotter

5:30 pm Garreth Irish
Shelia Curran
Bridie O'Donnell



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| Saturday | 9:45 - 12:00 pm |

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