

THE BALLINCOLLIG PARISHIONER



St. Mary & St. John
Station Road

Sunday 07-March-2010

Third Sunday of Lent

Today's gospel is a reminder of the need for conversion, for a change of direction in our lives. We cannot presume forever on the mercy of God.



Christ Our Light
Innishmore

Ballincollig Parish Mission

The Parish Mission commences this weekend. The Redemptorists Fathers will preach at all Masses. Every house will have received a copy of the Mission Schedule. A Parish Mission is a time to give thanks for our faith.

A Parish Mission is also an opportunity to refresh our faith and renew our commitment to Christ. Lent is a special time to have a Parish Mission. Please make an effort to attend the Mission during this week.

Let us Come Together

- Monday: To a celebration of our community groups and volunteers.
- Tuesday: To acknowledge the creativity, talents and commitment of Youth in our parish.
- Wednesday: To extend a "cead mile failte" (welcome) to people of different nationalities to come and experience with us Jesus as our source of joy.
- Thursday: To welcome the diversities in family life today - the joy and the pain.
- Friday: Healing through the power of the Holy Spirit and anointing with oil.

The Mission Ceremonies will take place Monday to Friday in St. Mary's & St John's church.

Daily Masses 7 am & 9:30 am

Evening Ceremony 7:30 pm

Mission will close on evening of Friday March 12th

Refreshments in Scout Hall adjacent to Church following closing ceremony.

George O'Mahony

Reflection for Parents

Some children worry whether or not their parents will live as long as the child needs them--basically forever! But often, parents worry more that they will someday be a burden to their children. Once in a while, parents know they only have a short period of time left with their children and they quickly take stock of what is truly important and act accordingly. Even without this notice, it would be good to evaluate each day with our children. How many nights do we fall into bed praying that this is not the last day our children remember with us!. In today's First Reading we hear the story of the call of Moses and the revelation of the divine name. We pray for the grace to recognise the Lord and to answer when he calls.

PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL

Priest

For all those who spread the gospel; that their eyes may remain fixed on the Lord.

Reader

We pray for our political leaders; that they may govern fairly, and according to principles of justice.

Lord, Hear us,

Lord, graciously hear us.

We pray for ourselves; that in this Lenten season we may increase our prayer, fasting and works of mercy.

Lord, Hear us,

Lord, graciously hear us.

We pray for all those who are preparing for Baptism at this time.

Lord, Hear us,

Lord, graciously hear us.

We pray for those who are sick at this time; that they may be comforted in their suffering.

Lord, Hear us,

Lord, graciously hear us.

We pray that our Mission will be a time to celebrate our faith and deepen our sense of belonging to our Parish Community.

Lord, Hear us,

Lord, graciously hear us.

We pray for those who have died; that the Lord may redeem their lives from the grave and crown them in glory.

Lord, Hear us,

Lord, graciously hear us.

Priest

Father in heaven, you are compassion and love. Look with kindness on our prayer today. We make these and all our prayers in the name of Jesus, your Son, our Lord. Amen.

The Lord is compassion and love.

Visit Our Website: www.ballincolligparish.ie

BAPTISMS

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

Michael Alexeje Vich Demenshini, Citi West Mews.

† **IN SYMPATHY** †

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

Rose Healy, Carrigadrohid.
 Brendan Sheehan, Castlegregory, Co. Kerry.
 Joseph Scully, Marino, Dublin.
 Norma O'Callaghan, Macroom.
 AnnMarie Condon, London.
 Marie Kingston, Birmingham.
 Molly Kelly, Wolfhill, Co Laois.
 Joe (Anthony) O'Keeffe, Fair Hill.
 Elizabeth 'Liza' Moran, Roscommon.
 Regina Moloney Brennan, Raheen.

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

Pat, Kitty & Pat (Jnr) Sheehan, Coachford.
 Jim & Agnes Spencer, West Village.
 Deceased member of the Brennan & Green families.
 Ned Keating, West Village.
 William Sheehan, High Street.
 Jerry Buckley, Meelin, Newmarket.
 Eoin O'Dwyer, Ballyshoneen.
 Mary Ann Sheehan, Boyces Street.
 Mary Condon, Model Farm Road.
 Patrick O'Donovan, Church Road.
 Ann Kennedy, Park Road.
 Eileen Murphy, Rosewood.
 Daniel O'Sullivan, Donoughmore.
 John Lucey, Carriganarra.
 James & Mona Hourigan, Limerick.
 Sylvia McNulty, Castlepark.
 Lizzy & Florie McCarthy, Park Road.
 James McSweeney, Classis, Ovens.
 Anna O'Shea, Trafrask, Adrigole.
 Eileen & Tommy Long, Crosshaven.
 Ellen Thompson, Wyndham Downs.

Year for Priests

Augustinian, Capuchin, Dominican & Franciscan Religious Celebrations, Mass, Homily & Prayers

St Augustine's, Church, Washington St Cork

Monday 15th March at 7.30 pm.

Holy Trinity Church, Fr Mathew Quay, Cork.

Tuesday 16th March at 7.30 pm.

St Francis Church, Liberty St., Cork.

Thursday 18th March at 7.30 pm.

St Mary's Church, Pope's Quay, Cork.

Friday 19th March at 7.30 pm.

Preacher: Fr Tomas Lane CM, All Hallows
 All Priests, Religious and Laity are welcome.

Pike Theatre Group

The March monthly social will be held on Tues. 9th in Tanner Park Ballincollig. The fancy dress theme for the night is St. Patrick's Day !
 All welcome.

The Theatre group have been invited to take part in the upcoming St. Patrick's Day Parade in Ballincollig on March 17th. Members of the theatre Group will be performing "The play Once Bitten" on stage at the Camden Theatre in London for 4 days at the end of April.

We wish them every success in their Performance

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Third Week Of Lent

07 Sunday Ex. 3:1-8, 13-15. Ps. 102.1 Cor. 10:1-6, 10-12. Lk. 13:1-9. Lect I: 255

08 Monday 2 K. 5:1-15. Ps. 41. Lk. 4:24-30. Lect I: 262

09 Tuesday Dan. 3:25,34-43. Ps. 24. Mt. 18:21-35. Lect I: 264

10 Wednesday Deut 4:1, 5-9. Ps 147. Mt 5:17-19. Lect I: 267

11 Thursday Jer. 7:23-28. Ps. 94. Lk. 11:14-23. Lect I: 268

12 Friday Hos. 14:2-10. Ps. 80. Mk. 12:28-34. Lect I: 271

13 Saturday Has. 5:1 5-6:6. Ps. So. Lk. 18:9-14. Lect I: 273

Next Sunday's Readings 14-March-2010

Josh. 5:9-12. Ps. 33.2 Cor. 5:17-21. Lk. 15:1-3, 11-32. Lect I: 284

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

The March collection will take place
 This weekend, 6th / 7th March.
 Thank you for your support.

Trocaire - Third Sunday of Lent

Trócaire would like to thank everyone for their huge generosity to the Haiti appeal. Donations from the Irish public have surpassed all expectations - ROI: €3,486,815.00 and NI: Stg £979,643.00 Thanks to this support Trócaire will help thousands of survivors to rebuild their lives in Haiti.

However, this Lent Trócaire reminds us that, while earthquakes and natural disasters attract global attention, there are millions of people around the world who will go to bed hungry tonight. During Lent over 600,000 children will die from hunger and diseases caused by hunger. The total number of people that were killed by the recent earthquake in Haiti, is less than half that number. This hunger crisis is taking place away from the TV cameras and global attention, in small, rural villages all over the developing world.

Please support Trócaire's Lenten campaign this year in whatever way you can, to help families overcome hunger.

**Aware - Helping to Defeat Depression
 Public Lecture**

"Depression an Emotion calling for Motion"
 in CUH lecture Theatre, Cork
 on Tuesday 9th March 2010 @ 8.30 pm
 Speaker; TONY HUMPHRIES.
 Consultant Clinical Psychologist
 Admission Free All Welcome

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THE SUNDAY READINGS

First Reading: Exodus 3:1-8, 13-15
To Moses, God spoke in a burning bush. He gave Moses a message to preach. Moses was to tell his people that freedom was at hand, freedom and happiness.

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 10:1-6, 10-12
Paul compares the Exodus story to Christian baptism. He reminds us again that God was not always pleased with His people. We are warned not to become complacent

Gospel: Luke 13:1-9
God calls us to conversion, to turn to him, to reform. Moses once formed a people, but in the desert most of them sinned. Today, if we repent, God will again bring us out of captivity.

Thank You

Thank You to all who supported, helped and contributed in any way to make Ceili in aid of Our Lady if Good Counsel School, a great success. Joan.

Scout News

On Saturday the Tuesday night Macoimh went on a hike to Lough Hyne, situated outside Skibbereen, it is the only inland sea lake in Europe, it is also Ireland's first marine reserve. When the Macoimh arrived they first climbed up the slopes of Knockomagh woods at the top of the hill you can see out over the sea towards Baltimore. Everyone had lunch and when the Macoimh returned down the hill they fried up sausages and had a few games of chase. The weather was very good on the day and everyone had a good time.

On Sunday the Thursday night scouts went hill walking in the Galtees. They hiked to Lough Muskry taking in Knockastakeen at 583 m. It was a fine sunny day, out of the shelter of the forest the wind picked up and became chilly. From the top of Knockastakeen you could see the lake where legend has it the lake was once the home of a 150 maidens who were transformed into birds every alternate year. We did not come across any maidens on our travels. At the lake we stopped for lunch, it was an awesome sight looking at the sheer cliff face frozen with ice and snow. We returned via Farbreaga 724m. The ground was frozen solid, with plenty of pockets of snow, which the scouts were happy the use as missiles .we came back down on the shoulder, back onto the track and back to the bus.

Our eyes are placed in the front because it is more important to look ahead than look back.

Journeying with Luke

Are you interested in the Bible? Would you like to learn more with a small group in your own parish? If so, join us from 10.00 to 4.00 pm on Saturday 13th March 2010 in St Michael's Parish Centre, Blackrock (directly behind Parish Church) for a workshop entitled 'Journeying with Luke'.

Cost €10 (including lunch) Full details from Fr. Sean O'Sullivan, Office for Adult Religious Education 021 7336053 / are@corkandross.org. All are welcome. Please book before Thursday 4th March 2010

Bulletin Board

Mass Book

Diaries to book Mass Intentions for April, May & June will open in both churches on Saturday 13th March at 9.00 am.

Trocaire Boxes

Lenten boxes are available at the back of both churches. Parishioners are asked to please take one and to make a weekly contribution during lent. Boxes will also be distributed to the schools.

Blessing of Children

Parents are invited to bring their children for a blessing, as part of the Ballincollig Parish Mission, **on Sunday March 7th Church of St Mary & St John after 12 noon Mass and Church of Christ Our Light after 11.00 am Mass.**

Masses during Lent

For the duration of Lent there will be evening Mass in **Christ Our Light at 6.30 pm and St Mary & St John at 8 pm.**

Envelope Collection

Bishop's Commissions collection will be taken up at all Masses this weekend 6th and 7th of March.

Priesthood in Cork & Ross

Annual Vocations Information Day at St Dominic's Retreat Centre, Ennismore, Montenotte, Cork on Saturday March 27th 2010 from 11 am to 5 pm.

Children's Mass

The Children's Mass is on **Sundays 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.

Fr. George

Living Your Life in The Spirit Of God

Do you want God's help in your life then come to hear the good news at
Mount St. Joseph's
Blarney Street, Cork
Every Wednesday at 8 pm
During Lent

St Mark's Centre

On Saturday 20th March, 2010 there will be a talk on Holy Week given by Fr Tom Clancy. All Ministers of the Eucharist and Ministers of the Word are welcome to attend. It will commence at 11 am until 3 pm

Early Morning Prayer for Lent

Take advantage of this special time of Lent, and begin your day and preparation for EASTER the best way possible with the MORNING PRAYER of the CHURCH. Taking place during Lent in St. Mark's Centre (opposite Christ Our Light Church) Mon- Fri. at 6 am. Everyone Welcome



Please visit our website

MINISTERS OF THE WORD

Mar-13 & Mar-14-2010

St. Mary & St. John Christ Our Light

6:00 pm (Vigil)
Michael Fitton
Paul Kearns
8:30 am
Triona Collins
10:00 am
Jordan Crowley
Kate Green
12:00 Noon
Tony Lynch
Even Keating

7:30 pm (Vigil)
Niamh Murray
11:00 am
Cormac Manning
Marie Ni Niada
12:30 pm
Adaugu Ebili
Caterina Nugent
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
7 am, 9:30 am & 7:30 pm	Monday	8:30 am & 6:30 pm
7 am, 9:30 am & 7:30 pm	Tuesday	8:30 am & 6:30 pm
7 am, 9:30 am & 7:30 pm	Wednesday	8:30 am & 6:30 pm
7 am, 9:30 am & 7:30 pm	Thursday	8:30 am & 6:30 pm
7 am, 9:30 am & 7:30 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

Mar-13 & Mar-14-2010

St. Mary & St. John Christ Our Light

6.00 pm	Eileen Murphy Ted Nelligan Angela Murphy Ann O'Connell Sheila Walshe Ann McCarthy	7:30 pm	John O'Donoghue Mary Dineen Kathleen Daly Mairead Keenan Kay O'Sullivan
8:30 am	Helen Kelly Mary O'Connor Michael Crowley	11:00 am	Mary O'Mahony Mona Bowen Billy Barry Mary Aylward Pauline Baston
10:00 am	Miriam Maunsell Mary Buckley Breda Ring Mary O'Regan John Henchy Martin O'Leary	12:30 pm	Mary Twomey Maura O'Driscoll Mary Lehane Dympna Byrne Suzanne Leetch
12 Noon	Ann-Marie Cosgrove Pat Kelleher Phil Kennedy Ellen O'Sullivan Ursula McAuliffe Sally Crowley	5:30 pm	Shelia Curran Elizabeth O'Sullivan

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