

THE BALLINCOLLIG PARISHIONER



St. Mary & St. John
Station Road

Sunday 08-June-2014



Christ Our Light
Innishmore

Pentecost Sunday

The first coming of the Holy Spirit on the Church was wind and fire and the telling of God's wonderful deeds in many tongues. The Spirit also comes as many gifts for the common good, bringing peace along with God's forgiving power.

Descent of the Holy Spirit

St. Luke connects with Jewish tradition which presented Pentecost as the feast of the giving of the law on Mount Sinai. According to legend a mighty wind turned to fire and a voice proclaimed the law. In a further refinement the fire split into seventy tongues of fire representing the seventy nations in the known world. The law was proclaimed not only in Israel but to all humankind. Luke saw the mighty wind and tongues of fire coming on the disciples. For Luke the mighty proclamation was not of the law but of the good news, a proclamation that has undone the sentence of Babel and reunited the scattered nations.

When promising the Holy spirit to the disciples Jesus said to them "you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you and then you will be my witnesses not only in Jerusalem but To the ends of the earth."

The key word here is power. Power was precisely what they needed At that moment they were completely powerless. They were crippled with fear and their sense of inadequacy. They felt totally incapable of carrying on the task of preaching the Gospel and witnessing to Jesus. After all they had witnessed what happened to Jesus, his crucifixion and death. They needed courage. They needed someone to empower them.

The power the wind and fire symbolise is the power of God, here they also symbolise the presence and action of God. The Holy Spirit would help them but he wouldn't do their work as disciples for them.

George O'Mahony

Reflection for Parents

This reading is like the person who got tired of hearing the same excuse: "I'm too busy." We all are given the same 24 hours each day and each one of us chooses how to spend them-of course, we have responsibilities and there are probably things we would rather do, but even so, we determine how we will fill our time. It is the same with gifts. Through the Spirit we are all given gifts and it is up to us how and for whom we will use them. It is our diversity that binds us together as children of God-each one of us using our gifts for the good of all.

PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL

Priest

As one body in Christ, we offer up our prayers to the Father of grace who sent forth the Holy Spirit to renew the face of the earth.

Reader

For the Church: that the Holy Spirit may bind its members together in a community of faith and love.

Lord, Hear us,
Lord, graciously hear us.

For world leaders: that the Holy Spirit may guide their feet into the way of peace.

Lord, Hear us,
Lord, graciously hear us.

For all those who are imprisoned by doubt, fear inadequacy, depression, or habits of sin: that the Holy Spirit may help them to experience the joy and freedom of the children of God.

Lord, Hear us,
Lord, graciously hear us.

For each other: that the Holy Spirit may inspire in each of us a desire for holiness.

Lord, Hear us,
Lord, graciously hear us.

For students now sitting their Junior and Leaving Cert Examinations, that they feel the support of their parents, families and friends, and realise that their best is good enough.

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

God of power and love, on Pentecost Day you sent the Holy Spirit on the apostles, and with hearts on fire they went forth to teach the Gospel to the world. Grant that we too may experience the power of the Holy Spirit in our lives and in our world. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Send forth your Spirit, O Lord and renew the face of the earth.

BAPTISMS

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

Peter Patrick Fenton, Limeworth.
 Elias Theodore Costello, The Cloisters.
 Ross Anthony Kenny, Beech Rd, Muskerry Estate.
 Zack Michael Corcoran, Wyndham Downs.
 Martha Joan Moynihan, Old Court Greenfields .

† IN SYMPATHY †

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

Dessi McGroarty, Cobh
 Robert Kitney, The Wirral, Liverpool.
 Ann Keane, Charleville.
 Noreen Finn, Coolroe Heights.

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

John & Sarah Mulcahy, Cobh.
 Michael & Catherine Hayes, Clonmult.
 Timothy & Norma O'Leary, Togher.
 Thomas O'Sullivan, Kanturk.
 Helen Notter, Crookhaven.
 David, Frances & Cyril Power, Monkstown.
 James White, Leemount.
 Donal O'Donovan, Ballinlough.
 Mai Spillane, Glenflesk.
 John Corcoran, Manor Hill.
 William & Catherine Ryan, St. Anthony's Lawn.
 Con Corkery, Shamrock Drive.
 Marie O' Flaherty, Coolroe Meadows.
 Anne Manning, Farranree.
 John Barry, Bishopstown.
 Dec members of Delaney family, Carrignavar.
 May Fortuin, Cathedral Road.
 James Doyle, Glendower Court.
 Finbarr O'Brien, Friars Walk.
 Nealie Fitzpatrick, Liscarroll.
 Jim Gahan, Parknamore.
 Helen Doherty, Roscommon.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK**Pentecost Sunday**

- 08 Sunday Acts 2:1-11. Ps. 103. Rom. 8:8-17. Jn. 20:19-23. Lect I: 601.
 09 Monday Rom 12:1-2, 9-13 or 2 Cor 5:14-21. Ps 33. Mt 19:27-29
 10 Tuesday 1 K. 17:7-16. Ps 4. Mt 5:13-16. Lect II: 576
 11 Wednesday Acts 11:21-26, 13:1-3. Ps. 97. Mt. 10:7-13. Lect II: 1058
 12 Thursday 1 K. 18:41-46. Ps. 64. Mt. 5:20-26. Lect II: 581
 13 Friday 1 Kgs 19:9, 11-16. Ps 26. Mt 5:27-32. Lect II: 583
 14 Saturday 1 K. 19:19-21. Ps .15. Mt. 5:33-37. Lect II: 585

Next Sunday's Readings 15/June/2014

Ex. 34:4-6, 8-9. Ps. Dan. 3. 2 Pet. 13:11-13. Jn. 3:16-18. Lect I: 611

Pieta House**The Centre for the Prevention of Self-Harm or Suicide**

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Pieta House opened its doors in Lucan in January 2006. It provides one-to-one counseling for people who have tried to take their life, those who are thinking about it, and those who self-harm, This solution focused approach takes the person in crisis, out of crisis.

Suicide: We work to move the suicidal person away from ideas of suicide as quickly as possible.

Self-Harm: Self-harm is seen as a way of expressing an incredibly strong pent-up emotion; it is an act of survival.

Our ground-breaking approach can involve daily therapy sessions if needed.

Our service is completely free of charge.

Troubled by someone else's drinking?

Try Al-anon. Local Meetings S V de P Centre Station Road
 Thursdays 8.30 pm. Phone: 087 6651707.

Prayer For Students Sitting Examinations - 2014

To be offered during Mass in Ballincollig
 Wednesday June to 4th to Saturday 21st

Lord, pour out your spirit of wisdom on these students;
 help them to remain calm,
 to attend carefully to the questions asked,
 to think clearly, to remember accurately,
 and to express themselves well.

We commend their studies to your powerful protection.
 We implore you to grant them a quick understanding,
 a safe judgement and a faithful memory.

Grant that they may reflect the best of the work they have done
 and the best of the teaching they have received.
 Accept their best efforts in these examinations
 and in the great test of life on earth.
 May your love be upon them O Lord,
 as they place all their trust in you.
 We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

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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THE SUNDAY READINGS

First Reading: Acts of the Apostles 2:1-11
 On Pentecost, the Holy Spirit was sent to the disciples in the form of fiery tongues. They began to speak in different tongues, "as the Spirit enabled them to proclaim."

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 12:3-7, 12-13
 The apostle Paul wrote that there are many gifts but the same Spirit, different ministries but the same Lord.

Gospel: John 20:19-23
 Jesus appeared and told the disciples, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you. Receive the Holy Spirit."

The Dyslexia Association of Ireland

Cork Branch are holding a Summer Camp, which will run from July 28th (Monday) to August 1st (Friday) inclusive. The camp will take place in Bishopstown Community School from 10 am to 2 pm, with Tuition from 10 am to 1 pm and Art from 1 pm to 2 pm each day.
 Age Group 7 - 14. €160 cost.
 Bookings through Noel (087) 1246190.

Application forms on request from dyslexiacork@gmail.com

Diabetes Ireland

Diabetes affects 1 in 3 families in Ireland with the growth of Type 2 diabetes in particular considered an epidemic by the World Health Organisation and we work to support and meet the needs of the diabetes community nationwide.
 Diabetes Ireland invites you to hop on your bicycle this June 21 (Limerick) or June 22 (Dublin) and cycle to Change Diabetes. Distance options of 25km family fun cycle, 60km route & 100km route available on each day. Full details at www.diabetes.ie or lo-call 1850 909 909

Sharing the Faith with the Next Generation

A one day conference with Bishop Frank J. Caggiano from Bridgeport, Connecticut at Clongowes Wood College, on Friday 4th July from 9:00am to 4:30pm - conference repeated on Saturday 5th July at same venue, same times. Buses available from St Patrick's Church, Lower Road.

Full details from Mairin 087 7950325

Shalom – Peace

Is one of those wonderful words which speaks directly to the hearts and needs of us all. In the Old Testament, shalom already has a rich meaning: physical health, prosperity, good relationship and fertility. The shalom of the Risen Lord includes his love, his offer of forgiveness of sins and his gift of freedom from death and the fear of death. We live these gifts through the indwelling of the Holy Spirit, the gift of the Risen Christ

Student's Prayer Card (Ballincollig)

As I begin to study for the exams I face
 I ask you Lord for the courage and grace
 to meet this challenge and do my best
 to stay calm and focused during the test.

This prayer I make to you today,
 help me Lord and with me stay

Bulletin Board**Mass Diaries**

Mass Diaries will open in both churches on Saturday June 14th at 9.00am to book Mass intentions for July, August & September. Priority will be given to those booking 1st Anniversary Mass.

Examination Time

We ask for your continuing support and prayers for our students as they prepare for their Leaving and Junior Certificate Examinations. May they be successful in their efforts.

Eucharistic Procession

The procession will be held this year on Saturday June 21st after the 6pm Vigil Mass in St Mary & St John's Church. The route will be from the Church to the entrance to Castlepark and back to the green in Church View for Benediction. I take this opportunity to invite you and your family to take part in the Eucharistic Procession. I especially invite you to bring your child who received First Holy Communion recently. It would be appreciated if homes on route of the procession could be suitably decorated in honour of the Blessed Eucharist. Seats will be available near the altar at Church View for the elderly or people suffering from injury.

Baptism Preparation

The next Baptism preparation will take place on Saturday 28th June, 2014 at 12.00 noon in the Library Room, Community Hall, Station Road. 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? Parents might book the baptism a few weeks in advance to give ample time to take part in the preparation.

First Holy Communion

Congratulations to the Boys & Girls who made their First Holy Communion in Scoil Eoin. Sincere thanks to the parents and dedicated teachers who work diligently preparing young people for the sacrament.

Special Collection

Ballincollig Parishioner & Mass Missalette
 An EXIT COLLECTION will be taken up after all Masses on weekend 21st & 22nd June. Your Contribution will help towards the purchasing of the Mass Missalette and the printing costs of The Parishioner.

Fr. George

".Seek and you will find." Matthew 7:7.

1 Peter

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Contact Ger @ 085 1555000

Or Mary @ 086 4044473

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Jun/14 & Jun/15/2014

St. Mary & St. John**Christ Our Light**

6:00 pm (Vigil) Sean Collins	7:30 pm (Vigil) Fiona Feely
8:30 am Pat Fennell	11:00 am Jack Dorgan Harry O'Brien
10:00 am Jordan Crowley Fergal Monahan	12:30 pm Kay Carew Jane O' Leary
12:00 Noon Tony Lynch Evan Keating / Shane Tully	5:30 pm Colm Tuohy

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6.00 pm	Michael Maher Bernadette 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 Mary B. Murphy	11:00 am	Neil Jeffers Eileen O'Donoghue Bridie Hanrahan Catherine / Hugh Moran Padraig Fleming
10:00 am	Anne Cahill Cathy Horgan Claudine Tiendioh Betty Flavin Anne Spillane Betty Sheehan	12:30 pm	Denis O' Mahony Christine O'Mahony Tom Murray John O'Regan Gerard Dunne
12 Noon	Helen Plunkett Seamus O'Donovan Eleanor Knowles Catherine Greene Joan Barrett Frances Hogan	5:30 pm	Bernard Curran John Canty

Does your Spouse have Dementia?

A new study in Trinity College Dublin is looking to gain an insight into the health and wellbeing of those who care for their spouse/partner with dementia. If you are caregiver aged over 50 years and living with a partner who has Alzheimer's disease or another form of dementia you may be interested in taking part. For more information please phone Hannah Jellings or Maria Pertl on 01 896 8414

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	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)

CONFESIONSAfter 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**

Priest on Duty 087-2479140
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 Fr. Dave O'Connell C.C. 021-4876171 or rfdaveoconnell@gmail.com
 Fr. James McSweeney 021-4873308

Funeral Pastoral Team Rota

Week 9th June to 15th June

Brid Dunne

Sr. Colette O'Leary

Social / Coffee MorningsContinue 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.**An Garda Siochana, Baile an Easpaig**

The Gardai that are members of the Cork City Hospitals Children's Club are hosting a fun family night at the Cork City Greyhound track on the June 13th. We will have all the Disney Characters on the night for a special race, Mickey Mouse, Tiger, Donald Duck and many more. Tickets can be purchased at Wilton shopping centre - €10 or €20 for the whole family.

Ballincollig Tidy Towns

Ballincollig is simply the best, please help us keep it better than all the rest National Tidy Towns Competition. The adjudication for this competition is now underway since Sunday last. Ballincollig can be judged on any day from then to mid July. We appeal to all persons in Ballincollig and doing business in Ballincollig to please be aware that all efforts made to improve the appearance of the town must be sustained over a period of time rather than aiming for a specific date. Having achieved Gold Medal status over the last 2 years we are making a big effort to make that grade in 2014 as well.