

THE BALLINCOLLIG PARISHIONER

Sunday 09-May-2004



St. Mary & St. John
Station Road



Fifth Sunday of Easter
Part of the great revelation of the New Testament is the notion that God is coming among us to make all things new; that means removing all the causes of guilt and grief in human life. We show our acceptance of this renewal of our lives by our love for one another.



Christ Our Light
Innishmore

Taking The Pilgrim Road With Mary

A Pilgrimage is a quest for God. There is an instinct in ourselves, as God's people, which spurs us on from time to time to take the road on this adventure of faith. It means a detachment, a leaving behind for a while the routine of daily life. From moving from a world of noise into a world of silence. To become a pilgrim means to enter in some degree into the setting and mentality of the exodus of the ancient people of God. Becoming part of a great company, the pilgrim, as of old, is experiencing a new awareness of God, a sense of intimacy with God who cares and directs and provides for all the needs of this pilgrim journey of ours.

There were moments of the first exodus never to be forgotten, when God came so close as almost to be seen and touched by hand. The place where God touched the ground, where His voice was heard, became Holy Ground.

The places where the Mother of God touched this Earth have also become holy ground, towards which we the pilgrims of a new exodus are drawn. In place of the pillar of cloud to guide us there is instead a woman clothed with the sun to light our way. So much the new and the old have in common. God spoke once through Moses and David, His shepherds of old; now He speaks again through his shepherds, Bernadette, Francisco, Lucia and Jacinta. Again a solemn message – a recall of God's past mercies, a call to prayer and penance a warning to the world absorbed in selfishness and sin.

The Mother of God spoke but she was heard and seen by chosen messengers alone, the people through signs were aware of a presence; they sensed that God was there; they spontaneously began to pray.

We, as pilgrims, to be worthy of the holy place, must try to get free from those attachments and allurements which could distract us from the sacred purpose of our journey. A pilgrimage is a calling from and a calling to. Mary is always calling us away from a world of shadows into the world of the great reality of heaven. Mary's primary concern is always the salvation of God's people, ourselves.

Our pilgrimage can and does create a spirituality for us. Our home is not yet; we only see the homeland from afar. The Mother of God is with us. The land of promise that lies ahead is worth all the fatigue, pain and suffering of the journey.

Let us, in this month of May, pray with Mary that she will bring hope and comfort to ourselves, the pilgrim people of God, May she protect and refresh us and bring us safely home.

John O'Donovan

Reflection for Parents

Jesus wanted the disciples to love one another and all followers with a binding love. It is this same kind of love that binds families together. When other people turn their backs and walk away, it is symbolic of Jesus' love that families are bound by a love incomparable anywhere else in our own experience. We fail at times, but rarely in any other setting do we see anything close to the unconditional love God has for us, as we see in the love we show our children.

PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL

Priest

Aware of the many needs in our world at this time, and of the instruction given us by the Lord to ask for what we need, we confidently bring our petitions.

Reader

That all who profess the faith may be encouraged by the example of apostles and saints.

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

That our Pope and all church leaders may be encouraged by those they serve.

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

That, in this Easter season, Christians everywhere build up their communities by encouraging words and deeds.

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

That young people, students, and all who face exams at this time may be inspired by the Holy Spirit and encouraged by parents, family members, teachers and friends

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

For all who grow crops for their livelihood, that God may be in their work, sustaining and encouraging them.

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

For all whose pilgrimage on earth is over, that they may reach their final destination, at the Father's house.

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

Priest

God, source of all joy and encouragement, we praise you for your goodness to us. Hear the prayer we make this day in the name of Jesus, who is Lord forever.

Amen.

I will bless your name for ever, O God my King.

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BAPTISMS

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

Sean Alexander Mischk, 31 Old Court, Greenfields.
 Olivia Katherine Whibley, 14 The Vale, Coolroe Meadows.
 Aoife Mary Woodcock, 67 Fernwalk.
 Grace Emer O'Mahony, 20 Berryfield, Classis Lake.

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

Mary O'Sullivan, 41 Leesdale Drive.
 Catherine O'Keeffe, Model Farm Road.

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

Kate Murray, The Square, Ballincollig.
 Connie Radley, Carrigrohane.
 Patrick & Mary Ann Radley, Powdermills.
 Angelo & Margaret Bernardi, Magazine Road.
 Jack & Lena Gaffney, Carrigrohane.
 Kathleen Cuthbert, Douglas.
 Michael Meverley, Evergreen Street.
 Jeremiah & Annie Henchy, Carrigrohane.
 Mary O'Sullivan, Raheen.
 Ned Hogan.
 Patrick & Mary Radley, Powdermills.
 Mary & Patrick Lehane, Ovens.
 Josie Murphy, Rockchapel.
 Jerome Desmond, Rock Farm, Carrigrohane.
 Patricia Ginty, Inniscarra View.
 Cecelia Bogue, 12 Leeview, Carrigrohane.
 Donal Leahy, 12 Leeview, Carrigrohane.
 Kevin O'Regan, Castlepark.
 Margaret Devaney, Westgate.
 Peggy McCarthy, Dripsey.
 Denis McDonald, Coolroe.
 Michael Hayes, Clonmult.
 Liam Murphy, Limerick.
 O'Brien Family, Castlefarm.
 Ann O'Farrell, Tonyville.
 Rose Crowley, Crookstown.
 Jim O'Neill.
 Kitty & Jerry Hallihan, Kilmichael.
 Lucy Kelly, Roscommon.
 Mary Ellen Harrington, Farranree.
 Noreen McCarthy, Castlepark.
 Jeremiah & Catherine Cunningham.
 Catherine Garvey, Dingle.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Fifth Week Of Easter

09 Sunday Acts 14:21-27. Ps. 144. Apoc. 21:1-5. Jn. 13:31-33, 34-35. Lect I: 517
 10 Monday Acts 14:5-18. Ps. 113. In. 14:21-26. Lect I: 519
 11 Tuesday Acts 14: 19-28. Ps. 144. In. 14:27-31. Lect I: 522
 12 Wednesday Acts 15: 1-6. Ps. 121. In. 15: 1-8. Lect I: 524
 13 Thursday Acts 15:7-21. Ps. 95. In. 15:9-11. Lect I: 526
 14 Friday Acts 1: 15-17, 20-26. Ps. 112. In. 15:9-17. Lect I: 1023
 15 Saturday Acts 16: 1-10. Ps. 99. In. 15: 18-21. Lect I: 531

Next Sunday's Readings 16-May-2004
 Acts 15:1-2,22-29. Ps. 66. Apoc. 21:10-14,22-23. Jn. 14:23-29. Lect

The Rosary

During the month of May, the Fatima Apostolate will be reciting the Rosary each evening, **Monday to Friday**, at **6.30 pm**, in the **Church of St. Mary and St. John**.
 "Come and Pray the Rosary with us."



THE ALZHEIMER SOCIETY of IRELAND

THE ALZHEIMER SOCIETY OF IRELAND (CORK BRANCH)

CARERS SUPPORT MEETING

Monday, 10th May 2004, In Jury's Hotel at 8 pm.

Ballincollig Secular Franciscan Order

The monthly Mass and meeting will be held on Thursday 13th May at 11.00 am in St. Mary & St. John Church
 Rosary will be recited at 10.40 am (Sharp)

Knock

Legion of Mary Annual Pilgrimage to Knock on Sunday 30th May.
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 Swim School (Weekly Sessions)
 Grove Leisure Centre, Cork Road, Bandon. Tel (023) 41643

BALLINCOLLIG PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL

The time has come once again for the selection / election of members to the Parish Council.
Many thanks to all those people who served on the outgoing Council.

The Parish of Ballincollig has grown enormously in recent years and continues to grow. To recognise this growth, the Parish Council is going to be larger this time round – we hope to have 75 members on the new council and we hope you will think about serving with us.

Some frequently asked questions about the Parish Council:

What does the Parish Council do?

- The members of the Council help each other and the clergy to manage all the affairs of the Parish.

What will I have to do if I join?

- Attend three general meetings per year of the whole council – usually held on Monday nights and lasting no more than one and a half hours.
- Membership of sub committee of your own choice. You could help organise the rota for Ministers of the Word or Eucharist; you could help with major celebrations in the Parish like Christmas, Easter, etc; you could help with Finance or the Parishioner, Prayer Groups, Choir, Children's Mass, or many other activities.
- You could help with new ways of celebrating Church ceremonies and Parish events.
- Help make new Parishioners welcome by creating a caring, welcoming community for all residents.
- Distributing information to your area a few times each year.
- Act as a link between Parishioners, the Council and the Clergy.

How long will I be on the Council?

- The Council lasts for three years, and you may serve for a second term if you wish.

NOMINATION FORM

NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

PHONE: _____

Nominated By: _____

Contact details of Nominee: _____

Please leave the nomination form at either of the churches or with any of the existing Council members before Friday 14th May.

Parish Pastoral Council Elections

Area No.	Details of Area	Vacancies
1	Beech Park – Aisling Close - Cranford	3
2	Castle Park -Carrigdene	2
3	Leo Murphy Tce.– Fr. Sexton Pk.– Crescent – East Gate	2
4	Powdermills - Long Range – Short Range – Mill Range	1
5	Main Road - Poulavone	1
6	Leesdale – Lee View – Willow Field/Court – Glendower	3
7	Manor Hill – Daffodil Fields – Bridgewater	3
8	St. Mary’s Tce – Church Hill – Carrigrohane	1
9	Chelmsford – Regency Cl.– Hayfield – Hillsboro - Berkley	2
10	Hilton – Oakley – Hill Farm	1
11	Model Farm Road. – Inchigaggin – Straight Road	1
12	Raheen – Carriganarra – Carriganarra Est. – Clash	2
13	Inniscara View	2
14	Rosewood	2
15	Oakley – Cloisters - Greystones	2
16	Limeworth – Maglin Vale – Ashton Court	1
17	Sunningdale – Station. Rd /Cross – The Square – Main St.	2
18	West Village – Silverdale – Oriel Court	1
19	Glincool – Maglin View – Maglin	2
20	Church View – Tudor Grove – Oaklands – Hazelgrove	2
21	Muskerry Estate	4
22	Castleknock –Castle Road – Lisheen	1
23	Caisleán – Meadows	2
24	Greenfield Townland – Kilnaglory	2
25	Ballyburden – Ballingully – Knockburden	2
26	Parknamore – Citi West Mews	3
27	Westcliffe – Paddocks	2
28	Innishmore	3
29	Westcourt – Westcourt Heights	2
30	Westgrove	1
31	Coolroe Heights – Avoncourt	2
32	Coolroe – The Quarry	1
33	Greenfields – Woodberry – Fernwalk – Coolroe Meadows	5
34	Wyndham Lawn, Wyndham Downs, The Groves	2
35	Aylsbury – Prospect Lawn	2
36	Classis Lake – Berryfield	5

THE SUNDAY READINGS

First Reading: Acts 14:21-27

Today, we hear how hard Paul and the apostles worked to build up the church. They tended the vineyard.

Second Reading: Apoc. 21:1-5

Only God knows for sure what will happen at the end of the world, but now John gives us some hints. There will be a whole new universe, a new heaven, and a new earth. Suffering and death will be no more; we will live happily with God. This is the future of the Church.

Gospel: John. 13:31- 33

While Jesus was with his disciples at the Last Supper, he pointed toward his future glory following his death and resurrection where he would be reunited with his Father in heaven. He also gave the disciples a command: to love one another. But the disciples didn't have to figure out how to do this on their own. Jesus told them to love one another in the same way he had loved them.



SAINT OF THE WEEK
Our Lady of Fatima 13-May-2004

The Blessed Virgin Mary, the Mother of God, appeared 6 times to 3 shepherd children; Lucia, Francisco, and Jacinta; between May 13 and October 13, 1917. She came to the little village of Fatima which had remained faithful to the Catholic Church during the recent persecutions by the government. Our Lady came with a message from God to every man, woman, and child of our century. Our Lady of Fatima promised that the whole world would be in peace, and that many souls would go to Heaven if Her requests were listened to and obeyed. She told us that war is a punishment for sin; that God would punish the world for its sins in our time by means of war, hunger, persecution of the Church and persecution of the Holy Father, the Pope, unless we listened to and obeyed the command of God. At Fatima, Pope John Paul II said on May 13; " the message of Fatima is more relevant and more urgent " then when Our Lady first appeared. The message is an anguished appeal of our Heavenly Mother, Who sees us in great danger and Who comes to offer Her help and advice. Her message is also a prophesy, a clear indication of what was about to transpire in the 20th century, and what is still going to happen infallibly in the near future, depending on our response to Her requests.

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Friday 14th May at 6.45 pm
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Marathon Volunteers

St. Joseph's school for the visually impaired is looking for volunteers to run or walk the women's mini-marathon on Monday the 7th June. All monies raised go toward the funding of a pre-school service for blind and visually impaired children aged up to 5 years. For further information contact Stella on 01 8373635



New York City Marathon

This is your final chance to book your place on Cork Simon Community's most exciting Fundraising event yet – the New York City Marathon, which takes place on Sunday 7th November 2004. Book now and you still have plenty of time to train and fundraise for the event of a lifetime.

The New York City Marathon is a unique opportunity to combine raising money for homeless people here in Cork with the challenge of the world's premier Marathon and a six-day visit to a vibrant, exciting city. The fundraising target is €3,500, which covers all costs of the trip. This Marathon is suitable for both seasoned runners and first timers, as there is no time limit on completing the race. For further information contact Mairéad O'Sullivan on 021 4321166 or email fundraising@corksmoncommunity.ie

Christ the King Church Restoration Fund
The Celtic Tenors in Concert

in Christ the King Church, Turner's Cross
Thursday 13th May 2004 8 pm Tickets €20 available from:
Pro Musica, Veritas, Parish Office

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10-16 years. Apply: Sec., Mount Mercy College.
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Curraheen Grotto

Rosary every Monday evening at 7.30 pm
for the month of May.
Everyone welcome

Safety in the Workplace

According to the Health and Safety Authority eleven o'clock in the morning is the time when you are most likely to have a workplace accident. Statistically, there are more accidents at 11a.m. than at any other time of the day, while between 4 a.m. and 5 a.m. is the safest time of the day. These statistics are based on an analysis of reported non-fatal accidents in 2002. The research also shows that in general, December is the safest month, with the least amount of non-fatal accidents being reported. The most dangerous month varied among sectors, with the most distinctive pattern being seen in agriculture, where August was the worst month.

MINISTERS OF THE WORD

May-15 & May-16-2004

St. Mary & St. John

Christ Our Light

6:00 pm (Vigil)
Karen Sheehan
8:30 am
Annette Collins
10:00 am
Marian Daly
12:00 Noon
Tony Hegarty

8:00 pm (Vigil)
Jacinta Jeffers
11:00 am
Jack Dorgan
12:30 pm
Marlyn O'Connor
5:30 pm
Brian O'Donoghue

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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Wednesday

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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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MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST

May-15 & May-16-2004

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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