

THE BALLINCOLLIG PARISHIONER



St. Mary & St. John
Station Road

Sunday 10-April-2011

Fifth Sunday of Lent

Jesus as a man like us, wept for Lazarus his friend, as eternal God he raised Lazarus from the dead, in his love for us all, Jesus gave us the sacraments to lift us up to everlasting life.



Christ Our Light
Innishmore

Resurrection and the Life

Jesus, a close friend of Lazarus and his two sisters, was a frequent visitor to their home at Bethany. So when Lazarus became very ill, Mary and Martha immediately sent him a message. But Jesus remained where he was for two more days before leaving for Bethany. On his arrival there, Jesus finds that Lazarus has been in the tomb for four days. Martha goes out to meet Jesus and reproaches him saying: if you had been here my brother would not have died.

The message of today's gospel is in Jesus' response to Martha: 'I am the resurrection and the life. Those who believe in me, even though they die they will live, and whoever lives and believes in me will never die. Do you believe this?' Martha replies: 'Yes, Lord, I believe that you are the Christ, the Son of God, the one who was to come into this world.' Later, when she objects to the stone being removed from Lazarus' tomb, Jesus reminds her 'have I not told you that if you believe you will see the glory of God'. After the stone was removed, Jesus thanks his Father for always hearing his prayer and prayed for the faith of those around him. He then called Lazarus forth and asked those gathered to unbind him and let him go free.

Everyone of us has to deal with death as part of life, both for ourselves and for those around us. After the consecration at Mass, we often pray these words, 'Dying you destroyed our death, rising you restored our life ... Lord, by your cross and resurrection you have set us free...' Like Martha, do we believe what these words really mean for us? Jesus' raising of Lazarus from the dead is a sign for us of God's promise to raise up all who have died in Christ to everlasting life. We as Christians profess our faith and hope in the Resurrection. St Paul tells us "If the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, he who raised Christ Jesus from the dead will give life to your mortal bodies also through his Spirit which dwells in you". All who have experienced the death of loved ones, know the pain of grief and loss. In today's readings we are reminded that there is hope beyond death for those who believe in the God of life and that one day we will be reunited with our loved ones. Christ by his death, has conquered death. He has won eternal life for each and everyone of us - a resurrection to an eternal life of happiness where families and friends will rejoice together in the presence of God for all eternity.

This prayer of hope in the Resurrection is expressed in Psalm 27: "I am sure that I will see the goodness of the Lord in the land of the living! Trust in the Lord, be strong and courageous yes, put your hope in the Lord!"

Sr. Colette

Reflection for Parents

The healing power of Jesus brings new life to all of us. Are there some things in our lives that cause us to die to others? Perhaps we are impatient, ungrateful, critical, or quick to anger. Maybe we're proud, boastful, or envious. Jesus promises us new life if we trust in him and allow our actions to follow his ways.

Reminder - Tonight is Census night.

PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL

Priest

With confidence we raise up our prayers to the God with whom there is mercy and fullness of redemption.

Reader

For the Church: that it may proclaim to all the good news of eternal life won for us by Jesus Christ.

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

For political leaders: that they may facilitate the work of those engaged in caring for and in preserving life.

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

For those who care for the sick and the dying.

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

For all those who are grieving because of a death of a dear one.

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

For ourselves: that we may treasure the beautiful but fragile gift of life.

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

For our departed relatives and friends.

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

Priest

Lord God, through the resurrection of your Son, you have kindled in our hearts the hope of eternal life. Guard this hope with your grace, and bring it to fulfillment in the kingdom of heaven. We ask you this through Christ our Lord. Amen

With the Lord there is mercy and fullness of redemption.

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READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Fifth Week Of Lent

10 Sunday Ez. 37: 12-14. Ps. 129. Rom. 8:8-11. Jn. 11: 1-45. Lect I: 305

11 Monday Dan. 13: 1-9, 15-17, 19-30, 33-62. Ps. 22. Jn. 8: 1-11. Lect I: 319

12 Tuesday Num. 21:4-9. Ps. 101. Jn. 8:21-30. Lect I: 326

13 Wednesday Dan. 3: 14-20, 24-25, 28. Ps. Dan. 3:52-56. Jn. 8:31-42. Lect I: 328

14 Thursday Gen. 17:3-9. Ps. 104. In. 8:51-59. Lect I: 331

15 Friday Jer 20: 10-13. Ps. 17. In. 10:31-42. Lect I:333

16 Saturday Ex 37:21-28. Ps Jer 31:10-13. Jn 11:45-56. Lect I: 336

Next Sunday's Readings 17-April-2011

Is. 50:4-7. Ps 22. Phil. 2:6- 11. Mt. 26:14-27,66. Lect I: 346

† IN SYMPATHY †

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

Eily Hogan, Bandon.
Sr. Evelyn Houlihan, Kilmallock.
Dan O'Callaghan, Aherla.
Mary Creedon, Carriganarra.
Yvonne McCarthy, Leecourt.

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

Daisy Downing, Bandon.
John & Hannah Haynes, Greenmount Buildings.
Hughie & Neil O'Leary, Fair Hill & Romford.
Jerry O'Donovan, Wyndham Downs.
Michael O'Regan, Ballicollig & Ovens.
John O'Mahony, Carriganarra.
John & Bridget Lee, Inniscarra.
Denis Kiely, Rosewood.
Thomas O'Driscoll.
Tom O'Donoghue, Inniscarra View.
Barry Kelly, The Crescent.
Abina Murphy, The Lough.
Eddie & Kathleen Duncan, Omagh, Co Tyrone.
Frank Moran, London.
Lily Carroll, Berrings & Castlepark.
Tony Allen, Inniscarra View.
Dennis Mannix, Doneraile.
Brendan O'Mahony, South Douglas Road.
Mary Kelly, Kilmichael.
John Woods, Carriganarra.
Patrick & Sheila O'Riordan, Castlepark.
Denis Murphy, Powdermills.
Sheila Kenneally, Curraheen.
Tom, Eileen & Jim Maddigan, East Gate.
Daisy Downing, Bandon.
Maureen Cremin, Glasheen.

Knock

Legion of Mary Annual Pilgrimage will take place on Sunday 29th May 2011. Bus leaving village at 7.00 am sharp. Early booking advised. For details contact Sally (021) 4870954 or Cathleen (021) 4874730.

Cake Sale

In aid of Cancer Research in the Mercy Hospital this Sunday after Masses in Church of Christ Our Light.

Pyke Theatre Group

An evening of song, story telling & crack galore.

Tuesday 12th April 2011 at 8.30 pm

Tanner Park RFC

Ballincollig.

Music by Jim & Mona

Admission €5.00

Tea/Coffee and Sandwiches included in price.

Ballincollig Parish

Biblical Reflection on The Eucharist

Following the series of talks on the writings of St Paul and on St John's Gospel, our occasional series of Biblical reflections continues this Lent with four talks on the Eucharist. These will examine the Biblical foundations of the Eucharist, and reflect on the Eucharist as the source and summit of our Christian Life.

The talks, as before, will be held in the St Mark Centre, opposite the Church of Christ Our Light in Innishmore. These will include presentation of the material by Fr Billy O'Sullivan followed by tea and group discussion.

The schedule of meetings is as follows.

	Monday 7.30 pm	Wednesday 10.00 am
Talk 3	11 th April	13 th April
Talk 4	18 th April	20 th April

**Bishopstown & Glasheen
Community Network**

CODEPENDENCY NO MORE!

Is someone's drinking or drug use a serious concern for you or someone to whom you are close?

Are you unsure about what to do?

(It does not have to be a family member.

It could be a friend or colleague.)

Tuesday, April 12th

Bishopstown Community School.

7.30 p.m. to 8.30 p.m.

GUEST SPEAKER: Pat Coughlan, Tabor Lodge

Followed by Q & A Session

Admission Free

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THE SUNDAY READINGS

First Reading: Ezekiel 37:12-14

The Lord God told the people that soon the graves of the dead would open and they would rise. "I will put my spirit in you that you may live . . . says the Lord."

Second Reading: Romans 8:8-11

"Whoever does not have the Spirit of Christ does not belong to him." God, who raised Jesus from the dead, will raise also those in whom the Spirit dwells.

Gospel: John 11:1-45

In this Gospel, John tells the story of Jesus raising Lazarus from the dead. The story is significant because it is likely that his action was his last miracle before Jesus began the journey toward his own death. Jesus was called to Bethany to save his friend, but instead waited several days to return. This action confused Lazarus' sisters, Mary and Martha, because they knew that Jesus could have healed their brother. Jesus used the incident to strengthen the faith of Mary, Martha, and all who believed. He made sure that Lazarus was raised from death so that the people could witness God's glory.

Trócaire

On this fifth Sunday in Lent we pray for Trocaire's partners and missionaries in the poorest parts of the world. Their work ensures that the weakest and most vulnerable people are given a voice and hope for a better life. Trocaire's Lenten campaign raises money to support the work of these partners so that many more poor people can be helped.

Job Vacancy

Caretaker required for Ballincollig Community Hall (19.5 hours per week)
Applicants must be eligible for community employment
To apply please send C.V.
To Ber Newman,
St Vincent De Paul Family Centre,
Station Road, Ballincollig.
(next to Community Hall)
Tel. 021 4874626

Community Work Professional Education at CIT

Would you like to have nationally and internationally recognised qualifications in community work?

The BA degree programme at Cork Institute of Technology can provide you with such an opportunity!

This is a three year programme consisting of lectures, master classes and a work-practice element based in the community.

Applications are currently invited from candidates who have significant experience in community work and or/ qualifications in cognate areas for advanced entry to the second and third year of the programme commencing September 2011.

Entry to this programme is based on interview.

Further information from: Anne Deasy, Cork Institute of Technology. Telephone: 021 - 433 5930,
Email: anne.deasy@cit.ie, www.cit.ie

Bulletin Board

Sacrament of Reconciliation for Easter

Church of Christ Our Light
Monday 18th April at 7:00 pm

Baptism Preparation

The next Baptism preparation will take place **Saturday 30th April, 2011 at 12.00 pm** 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

Stations of the Cross

This year, for the first time, Ballincollig Parish will have outdoor Stations. It is proposed that the 12 Stations will be held out of doors, with the Stations in various positions in Ballincollig. The aim of having the stations out of doors is to bring the stations to the community which will enable the people of Ballincollig to follow the cross, and become actively involved.

Please join us at the church of St Mary & St John on Good Friday, April 22nd at noon.

Communion Dates

Scoil Eoin	7 th May, 2011
Scoil Barra	14 th May, 2011
Our Lady of Good Counsel	14 th May, 2011
Scoil Mhuire	21 st May, 2011
Gael Scoil	28 th May, 2011

Daily Masses during Lent

Church of Christ Our Light

8.30 pm & 6.30 pm

Church of St Mary & John

9.30 am & 8.00 pm

Confirmation

Congratulations to the Boys & Girls of Scoil Barra and Our Lady of Good Counsel who were recently confirmed. Congratulations also to the Parents and Teachers for their great efforts in preparing the children for the Sacrament. Please keep in your prayers all the children preparing for their Confirmation and First Holy Communion.

Scoil Mhuire confirmation Wednesday April 13th

Crying Room - 11.00 am Mass

Please do not use the door to the Crying Room to enter the church to attend Mass. This is to provide for the safety and care of children. Your co-operation is much appreciated.

Fr. George

Lourdes

Cork & Ross Pilgrimage 2011
11 - 16 June - 5 nights - full board accommodation
Booking Forms available from the Pilgrim Section of Joe Walsh Tours, 117 Patrick Street
Tel. 021-4277959 / 021-4277120
Enquiries for Special Invalid Section to
The Pilgrimage Director, Monsignor Kevin O'Callaghan
No.2 Presbytery, Curraheen Road. Tel. 021-4346463

MINISTERS OF THE WORD

Apr-16 & Apr-17-2011

St. Mary & St. John Christ Our Light

6:00 pm (Vigil)

Michael Fitton
Paul Kearns
8:30 am
Pat Fennell

10:00 am

Rory Horgan
Kate Greene
12:00 Noon
Miriam Maunsell
Christine Coakley

7:30 pm (Vigil)

Niamh Murray

11:00 am

Cormac Manning
Marie Ni Niada

12:30 pm

Bernard Valley
Colm Walsh

5:30 pm

Siobhan Keane-Hopcraft

MASS TIMES

St. Mary & St. John

8:30 am, 10 am & 12 noon

Sunday

Christ Our Light

11 am, 12:30 pm & 5:30 pm

9:30 am & 8 pm

Monday

8:30 am & 6:30 pm

9:30 am & 8 pm

Tuesday

8:30 am & 6:30 pm

9:30 am & 8 pm

Wednesday

8:30 am & 6:30 pm

9:30 am & 8 pm

Thursday

8:30 am & 6:30 pm

9:30 am & 8 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

PARISH CLERGY

Priest on Duty

Fr. George O'Mahony P.P.

Fr. Michael O'Mahony C.C.

Fr. Billy O'Sullivan C.C.

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Discern your Future

With The Sisters of the Sacred Hearts of Jesus and Mary.
Women aged 18-45 are invited to come and Reflect on Jesus'

Invitation to

"Come and See"

Venue: Cork

29th April - 1st May 2011

Information:

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Parish Office, The Presbytery, Ballincollig is open Mon - Wed from 9 am - 1 pm & 2 pm - 3 pm.

Sat 10:30 am - 12 Noon. Phone No. (021) 4871206, Office Secretary Catherine Crowley.

50th International Eucharistic Congress

10th June-17 June, 2012

The Programme of Events for the week will include:

Prayer, Eucharist, workshops, discussions groups, cultural events, a youth space, tours, exhibitions and more.

Venues:

10th June Opening Ceremony; RDS, Ballsbridge, Dublin 4

11th – 16th June Daily Mass and workshop: Ballsbridge

17th June Closing Ceremony: Croke Park Stadium

Registration:

Groups and individuals pilgrims will be able to register online from June 2011 on our website www.iec2012.ie.

You can also register an expression of interest now on our site www.iec2012.ie



MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST

Apr-16 & Apr-17-2011

St. Mary & St. John Christ Our Light

6.00 pm

Steve Wills
Margaret O'Sullivan
Rita Aherne
Danny Farrell
Jim Walsh
Frances O'Brien

7:30 pm

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

8:30 am

Mary Buckley
Rita Murphy
Denis Healy

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
Miriam Maunsell
Sean Hennessy
Mary McLean
Ellen Seymour
Nora Hennessy

5:30 pm

Noelle Buckley
Mary Breen