

# THE BALLINCOLLIG PARISHIONER



St. Mary & St. John  
Station Road

Sunday 11-March-2012

Third Sunday of Lent

*Jesus came on earth as the complete embodiment of God's presence among men. We are all called to become one with him in the image of God by keeping his commandments.*



Christ Our Light  
Innishmore

## Week of Directed Prayer

On the 25th March 2012 the parish will again hold a week of Directed Prayer. This week gives participants an opportunity to gain a deeper insight into the Bible, and their own prayer life. A team of trained guides from outside the parish will direct the week. Each guide will, on an individual and private basis, help the participants to pray, and to reflect on what God is saying to them in their lives. All parishioners and prayer groups are asked to please pray for those taking part in this week.

Who can come? Anyone who would like help in prayer and who can give the time of 30 minutes each day from Monday to Friday.

Where? Ballincollig Parish  
When? 25<sup>th</sup> to 30<sup>th</sup> March 2012

**Important**

The Retreat will begin with a meeting for Guides and Participants on Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> March at 7 pm in the Annex to the Community Centre. Any Queries Phone: Mary: 086 3473930, Sr. Elizabeth: 4870625; Eileen: 087 6651738 (after 5 pm)

Please complete and return this portion as soon as possible to facilitate booking of sufficient prayer guides.

I would be interested in taking part in the Week of Prayer.

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Suitable time to meet your Guide, please tick as appropriate

- Morning  
 Afternoon  
 Evening (After 7 pm)

Forms to be handed in to the sacristy of either Church as soon as possible, but not later than Sat / Sun 17 / 18<sup>th</sup> March., 2012

## PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL

**Priest**

Let us turn to God and place our needs before him.

**Reader**

For all Christians: that their houses of worship may truly be houses of prayer.

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

For our society: that the commandments of God may be to it what road signs are to travellers.

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

For those who are walking in the darkness of error and sin: that they may discover the light of Christ's truth and love.

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

For ourselves: that we may see the body as a temple of the Holy Spirit.

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

May this Lent see a new awakening of a spirit of compassion and service among all the baptised.

**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**

Almighty and ever-living God, strengthen our faith. May we do with loving hearts what you ask of us? We make these prayers through Christ our Lord. Amen



*Happy St. Patrick's Day to all our  
Readers & Parishioners*



## Thought for Today

The commandments begin with God's reminder that he saved us from slavery. They reveal to us the divine plan to lead us into his perfect freedom and life. They show us how to live in harmony with that plan. God alone can set us fully free; nothing in our lives must take the place that belongs to God.

**You, Lord, have the message of eternal life.**

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**BAPTISMS**

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

Koyingola Haile Joan Aiyedogbon, The Quadrant.  
 Leon Thomas McSweeney, Faha, Dripsey.  
 Charlie David Hannigan, The Willows, Classes Lake.  
 Rachel Mary Haydon, Millers Court, Old Quarter.

**† IN SYMPATHY †**

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

Br. John Matthew Corkery, Glenstal Abbey, Murroe, Limerick.  
 Lena Drew, Church View & Donoughmore.  
 Bernie McNamara, St Mary's Tce, Carrigrohane.  
 Denis West, St Mary's Tce, Carrigrohane.  
 Seamus O'Shea, Park Road, Muskerry Estate.  
 Lyn O'Sullivan, Wimbledon.  
 Eugene McCarthy, Ovens.  
 Seanie McSweeney, Classis, Ovens.  
 Gemma Troy, Montenotte/St Marks.  
 Denis Riordan, Citi West Mews.

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

Tadgh O'Sullivan, Park Road.  
 Michael & Mary McEvoy, Ballincollig.  
 Patrick Arrigan, Patrickswell, Limerick.  
 Brid Dolan, Classes Lake.  
 Richard Krauss, Aisling Close.  
 Sean & Kathleen Sliney, Youghal.  
 Margaret, Joseph & Marion Owens, Blackpool.  
 Johnjo McCarthy, Lissydaniel, Ballydehob.  
 Charles McCarthy, Lissydaniel, Ballydehob.  
 Norah Barry, Redemption Road.  
 Reg & Ethel Robinson, Main Street.  
 Thomas & Mary Kiely, Dungarvan.  
 Neilie Cleary, Ballydehob/Ballincollig.  
 Amy Ngoie, The Congo, Westcourt & Mallow.  
 James & Mary McSweeney, Classis, Ovens.  
 Robert Cuthbert, Douglas.  
 Bill Dwane, Douglas.  
 Neil & Nellie Langan, Donegal.  
 James & Mona Hourigan, Limerick.  
 Sylvia McNulty, Castlepark.  
 Kieran McNulty, Fr. Sexton Pk.  
 Maureen & John Burke, Wilton.  
 Yva O'Donoghue, Ovens.  
 Dec. members of the Reilly & Hanney families.  
 Noreen & Christy Deasy, Gerald Griffin Street.  
 Dec members of the Twohig family, Kilcrea.  
 William & Mamie Kavanagh, East Gate.  
 Tom & Joe Heaton, Pearse Road.  
 Peg Kavanagh, Powdermills.  
 Ned Keating, West Village.  
 Tim O'Leary, Sunningdale.  
 Nora Vaughan, Kilnamatya.  
 Alan O'Callaghan, Aherla.  
 Sarah & Thomas Keane, Galway.

**READINGS FOR THE WEEK**

**Third Week Of Lent**

11 Sunday Ex 20:1-17. Ps 18. 1 Cor 1:22-25. Jn 2:13-25. Lect I: 251

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

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

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

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

16 Friday Hos 14:2-10. Ps80. Mk 12:28-34. Lect I: 271

17 Saturday Eccles. (Sir) 39:6-10, Ps.115.2 Tim 4:1-8. Mt.13:24-32. National Proper

**Next Sunday's Readings 18-March-2012**

2 Chron 36:14-16, 19-23. Ps 136. Eph 2:4-10. Jn 3:14-21. Lect I: 281

**Ballincollig Parish - Gospel of Mark**

Our occasional series of Biblical reflections continues this Lent with the final four talks on St Mark's Gospel. 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 6	12 <sup>th</sup> March	14 <sup>th</sup> March
Talk 7	19 <sup>th</sup> March	21 <sup>st</sup> March
Talk 8	26 <sup>th</sup> March	28 <sup>th</sup> March
Talk 9	2 <sup>nd</sup> April	4 <sup>th</sup> April

**Knock**

Legion of Mary Annual Pilgrimage will take place on Sunday 27th May 2012. Bus leaving village at 7.00 am sharp. Early booking advised. For details contact Sally (021) 4870954 or Kathleen (021) 4874730.

**TROCAIRE "I am now establishing my covenant with you and with your descendants to come."**

**Genesis 9:9.** This third Sunday in Lent we remember Betty and Joel, the parents of little Daniel on the Trocaire box. They have been through many traumatic events in their thirty years of married life. By sticking together, even after they were forcibly separated, Joel and Betty are creating a future for Daniel. Their covenant to each other, before God, is bearing rich fruit. For more information on the Lenten campaign visit [www.trocaire.org/lent](http://www.trocaire.org/lent) or call 1850 408 408

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**THE SUNDAY READINGS**

First Reading: Exodus 20: 1-3, 7-8, 12-17  
 The Ten Commandments expound briefly and clearly the fundamental principles of all religious and moral obligation. The first three prescribe man's duty to God, the last seven his duty to his neighbour. In the second list the fourth commandment comes first because the family comes before the state and parents have the first and strongest claim to their children's regard. The Decalogue is in no way nationalistic but universal in its outlook. What it commands is necessary if people are to live in community in a civilized manner.

Second Reading: 1Cor. 1: 22-25  
 The Jews wanted chiefly superhuman power in the Messiah, power proved by stupendous miracles. They wanted an emperor mightier than the Roman emperor. A suffering and dying Messiah was a stumbling block to them, i.e. they would not accept him. But the Greeks wanted a teaching, which completely satisfied the intellect. They were impatient of anything unexplained or mysterious. They hated to accept any great truth on anyone else's authority. Faith was not in their line. The idea that suffering could do more than wisdom would appear nonsense to them.

Gospel: John 2: 13-25  
 This is one of the most dramatic actions of Jesus in his public life. With it he declared his opposition to the Jewish interests vested in making money out of the faith of believers. Jesus then takes the imagination of the onlookers a step further by making mention of his resurrection from the dead. This prophecy must have stuck in their minds because they turned it to sarcasm on Calvary.

**Early Morning Prayer for Lent**

The great feast of Easter is coming.  
**Lent** is the preparation time  
 Come to 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.



**50<sup>th</sup> INTERNATIONAL  
 EUCHARISTIC CONGRESS**

**DUBLIN**  
 June 2012  
**We Give Thanks**

In the Eucharist we thank God who so loved the world that he gave his only Son, as we all celebrate, make present and participate intimately in the action by which Christ as head of the mystical body redeems all mankind.

**Cork & Ross Pilgrimage to Lourdes 2012**

11- 16 June – 5 nights- full Board Accommodation  
 Booking Form available for the Pilgrim Section from  
 Joe Walsh Tours 117 Patrick St Cork  
 Tel: (021) 4277959 (021) 4277120  
**Enquires for Special Sick/Assisted Section to  
 The Pilgrimage Director  
 Monsignor Kevin O'Callaghan  
 No 2 Presbytery, Curraheen, Road Cork.  
 Tel: 021 4346463**

**Bulletin Board**

**St Patrick's Day Masses**

**Church of St Mary & St John**  
 Vigil Friday 16<sup>th</sup> March at 8.00 pm  
 Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> March  
 8.30 am & 10.00 am  
 6.00 pm Vigil as usual

**Church of Christ Our Light**  
 Vigil Friday 16<sup>th</sup> March 6.30 pm  
 Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> March  
 12.30 pm (Irish Mass)  
 7.30pm Vigil as usual.

**Lenten Masses**

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

**Coeliac Host**

Coeliac Host available at all Masses in both churches. Generally the Priest celebrating the Mass has the Coeliac Host. To help the Celebrant you might please let him know before the Mass.

**Mass Diary**

Diaries to book intentions for April, May & June are now open in both churches.

**Envelope Collection**

Bishop's Commissions collection will be taken up at all Masses this weekend 10<sup>th</sup> & 11<sup>th</sup> March, 2012

**Ballincollig Parish Council**

A.G.M was very well attended on Monday March 5<sup>th</sup>. There were 43 people in attendance with at least 12 new members. Reports from various sub groups and their activities; next major ceremony Out Door Stations of the Cross on Good Friday and holy week ceremonies.

**Car Parking**

**Church of St Mary & St John and Christ Our Light**  
 Please keep to left hand side as you approach the car parks. This is important from a health and safety point of view. Please also be careful of pedestrians who walk to Mass or from their cars to the church. Take care also not to obstruct entrance and exit to the car parks and church doors

**Fr. George**

**Catechesis for Adults and Youth**

"This is my gift to you, a peace which the world cannot give you" (Jn. 14:27)  
**COME and LISTEN...**

On many occasions and in different ways, Pope John Paul II and Pope Benedict XV1 highlighted the abundance of fruits the Neocatechumenal Way brings in the life of the people, of the families, of the parish communities, and the wealth of vocations which it inspires to the priestly and religious life, manifesting itself as "an itinerary of Catholic formation, valid for our society and for our times".  
 The catechesis takes place at 8pm on Sundays and Wednesdays, at St. Mark's Centre, (Opposite Christ Our Light Church), Innishmore, Ballincollig.  
 Everyone Welcome

**MINISTERS OF THE WORD**

Mar-17 & Mar-18-2012

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

**6:00 pm (Vigil)**  
Ailish O'Reilly  
Daniel McAuliffe  
**8:30 am**  
Triona Downey

**10:00 am**  
Ciaran Noonan  
Shannon O'Brien  
**12:00 Noon**  
Declan Chalmers

**7:30 pm (Vigil)**  
Rebecca Feely  
Jessica Lingard  
**11:00 am**  
Sorcha Nic Mheanmain  
Maire Buckley  
**12:30 pm**  
Joseph Manning

**5:30 pm**  
Tom Reck



**MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST**

Mar-17 & Mar-18-2012

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

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

**8:30 am** Mary Buckley  
Rita Murphy  
Denis Healy

**10:00 am** Christina Walsh  
Peter Reilly  
Mary Collins  
Christy Roche  
Katie O'Shea  
Claire Creedon

**12 Noon** Oliver O'Donovan  
Miriam Maunsell  
Sean Hennessy  
Mary McLean  
Ellen Seymour  
Nora Hennessy

**7:30 pm** Anne O'Regan  
Mairead Murphy  
Finbarr Murray  
Lettie Kelly  
Mary Murphy

**11:00 am** Seamus O'Connell  
Mary O'Connell  
Alan O'Riordan  
Geraldine Keohane  
Gerard Murray

**12:30 pm** Lucy O'Callaghan  
Jackie Sheehan  
Mary Green  
Michael O'Leary  
J.P.O'Leary

**5:30 pm** Noelle Buckley  
Mary Breen

**MASS TIMES**

**St. Mary & St. John**

**Christ Our Light**

8:30 am, 10 am & 12 noon	<b>Sunday</b>	11 am, 12:30 pm & 5:30 pm
9:30 am & 8 pm	<b>Monday</b>	8:30 am & 6:30 pm
9:30 am & 8 pm	<b>Tuesday</b>	8:30 am & 6:30 pm
9:30 am & 8 pm	<b>Wednesday</b>	8:30 am & 6:30 pm
9:30 am & 8 pm	<b>Thursday</b>	8:30 am & 6:30 pm
9:30 am & 8 pm	<b>Friday</b>	8:30 am & 6:30 pm
8:30 am, 10:00 am & 6 pm (Vigil)	<b>Saturday</b>	12:30 pm & 7:30 pm (Vigil)

**CONFESSIONS**

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

**BAPTISMS**

4:30 pm	<b>Saturday</b>	4:30 pm
Except First Saturday of Month		First Saturday of Month
12:45 pm	<b>Sunday</b>	

**PARISH CLERGY**

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<b>Fr. George O'Mahony P.P.</b>	<b>021-4871206</b>
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<b>Fr. Billy O'Sullivan C.C.</b>	<b>021-4876171</b>
<b>Fr. James McSweeney</b>	<b>021-4873308</b>

**Ballincollig Parish Pilgrimage -To The Holy Land**

*"and now our feet are standing within your gates, O Jerusalem"*  
The 2012 Parish Pilgrimage to the Holy Land will depart from Cork Airport on a direct flight to Tel Aviv on Friday October 12<sup>th</sup> and will return from Tel Aviv on Friday October 19<sup>th</sup>. The cost of the eight day pilgrimage will be € 1,250 including half-board accommodation and all taxes.  
For the first four days we will be based in Tiberias on the Sea of Galilee and we will be based in Bethlehem from October 16<sup>th</sup>. Larry Cunningham will be the Pilgrimage Leader and Fr Billy O'Sullivan the Spiritual Director. The Tour Operator is Celebration Travel Ireland Limited. For further information contact Larry Cunningham at 4873364.



**For Families of Children Preparing for First Holy Communion  
Learning About the Mass with Kath and Qumen**

**Eucharist**

The word 'Eucharist' is another name for the Mass. It comes from a Greek word meaning 'thanksgiving'.

The whole Mass is a special prayer of thanksgiving for all that God has given us. Sometimes we use the word to describe the whole Mass and sometimes it is used to describe the Bread of Life. We also talk about the sacrifice of the Mass. This reminds us of the sacrifice that Jesus made for us when he suffered and died on the cross.

