

THE BALLINCOLLIG PARISHIONER

150 Years



**St. Mary & St. John
Station Road**

Sunday 11-October-2015

Twenty Eighth Sunday In Ordinary Time

He who seeks wisdom and eternal life, is reminded, that no earthly value can be compared to them. We may agree that all gold is but a little sand before the realities of God, but are we able to follow through this image with the reality of our living? Are we really ready, to sell what ever we have and give it to the poor, so as to follow Christ?



**Christ Our Light
Innishmore**

What Must I Do To Inherit Eternal Life?

In today's Gospel we hear the story of the Rich young man asking Jesus what he must do to inherit eternal life. Jesus goes through the Ten Commandments which are about our relationships with God and with others. The rich man is able to say that he has kept all the commandments since his childhood. Jesus looked at him with love, but then told him there was one thing he lacked - and He invited him to "Go and sell what you have, give the money to the poor; then come and follow me." The rich man had received an answer he didn't expect and he went away sad as he was a man of great wealth. We may be able to hide our true self from others but we cannot hide from God, who sees all that is going on in our lives. Despite his apparent goodness, Jesus knew that this young man loved the security of his wealth more than he loved God. He came to Jesus believing that God was number one in his life... He sadly departed with the knowledge that his love of material things was the real god in his life.

All of us are called to be responsible stewards of all that God has given us. As our second reading today reminds us; one day each one of us will have to render an account of our stewardship. The "one thing lacking" in our lives may not be attachment to our possessions but something else - it may be our attachment to grievances that we hold on to; or due to a busy life style perhaps we have very little time to give to God in prayer. When Jesus meets human beings in the Gospels He encounters them in their limitations, sicknesses and needs. He approaches them as a loving God, and asks them "What do you want Me to do for you?"

Jesus' explanation that what is impossible for human beings is possible with God shows that he wants all of us to be saved and enter Heaven. As baptised Christians, Jesus calls each one of us to be his disciples and only asks that we put our faith in God and be willing to 'let go' of anything which holds us back from being his followers. Let us take some time each day to respond and invite him in to our lives. In the words of the Responsorial psalm let us pray: "Lord make us know the shortness of our life that we may gain wisdom of heart".

Sr. Colette

Reflection for Parents

We live in a time when material possessions are easy to accumulate. Their quality and inventory may vary from family to family, but it's safe to say that most of us own more, wear more, drive more, and eat more than we need for survival. From time to time, it's good for parents to take stock of the things surrounding them and notice what it is we hold on to. Why do we hold on and would it be better to let go of some things? Sometimes our possessions can make us slaves to them.

PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL

Priest

Let us turn to God for the wisdom and grace we need to use the things of this world in a way that will help us to gain eternal life.

Reader

For the disciples of Jesus: that the faith they profess with their words may be borne out in their lives.

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

For government leaders: that they may work to ensure that all of God's children can live in dignity.

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

Help us be grateful for the riches of this world and to remember that riches is given to us in trust.

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

Help us to pray Lord, so as to receive wisdom and understanding and make us aware that the Word of God is alive and active in our lives.

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

For each other: that we may make whatever sacrifice is necessary in order to become authentic Christians.

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

For grace to bring our needs before God, in silence and in trust.

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

Priest

Lord, help us to see more clearly, to follow you more nearly, and to love more dearly, so that under your gently urging we may make steady progress along the road that leads to your kingdom. We make this and all our prayers through Christ our Lord. Amen

Fill us with your love that we may rejoice.

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BAPTISMS

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

Cathal Kieran Lehane, Manor Farm, Togher.
 Charlie Kevin Murphy, Fern Walk, Greenfields.
 Amelia Clodagh Buckley, Castle Ave, Muskerry Estate.
 Sean Michael O’Sullivan, Old Court, Greenfields.
 Des James Noel, An Caislean.
 Christian Denis Noel, An Caislean.
 Alicia Stefania Pelka, An Caislean.
 Riona Brid Doyle, The Willows, Classes Lake.
 Brendan Murphy Armando, Fernwalk, Greenfields.
 Ben Christopher Thornhill, Coopers Grange, Old Quarter.
 Saoirse Rose McGillicuddy, Coolduff, Inniscarra.
 Olivia Mary Wall, Lisheen Fields.
 Emma Beth Manning, Carriganarra.

† IN SYMPATHY †

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

Michael Murphy, Rosewood.
 Margaret McMahon, Newmarket on Fergus.
 Sheilia Ware (nee O’Leary), Rathmore & Dublin.

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

Tom & Rose Scanlon, Bishopstown.
 James Dillon, Sunday’s Well.
 Dec. members of O’Mahony & Green families.
 Mary Teresa Kelleher, Inniscarra.
 Frank, Margaret & David Rea, Lower Glanmire Road.
 Denis Buckley, Canovee.
 Peg & John O’Hanlon, Ballyduff.
 Kathleen Allen, Rosewood.
 Joseph Shanahan, Fr. Sexton & Bandon.
 Paddy & Margaret Broderick, Wyndham Downs.
 Mary O’Sullivan, Glenleigh.
 Arthur Collins, Carrigrohane.
 John O’Callaghan, Fr. Sexton Park.
 Denis McCarthy, Coolroe Meadows.
 Bridie Hourihan, Caharagh.
 Eileen & Jim Riordan, The Lough.
 Rita, Michael, David & John Barry, Ladysbridge.
 Kathleen Gallagher, Galway.
 John Forde, Curraheen.
 Jack & Cathy Foley, Waterfall.
 Kathleen O’Connor, Innishmore Court.
 Mary O’Mahony, Clash Road.
 Mary & Daniel O’Mahony, Clash Road.
 Dec members of O’Brien family, Clash Road.
 Richard Morrissey, Glasheen & Dripsey.
 Paddy Fitton, Ballyshoneen.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Twenty Eighth Week In Ordinary Time

11 Sunday Wis 7:7-11. Ps 89. Heb 4:12-13. Mk 10:17-30. Lect I: 810
 12 Monday Rom. 1:1-7. Ps. 97. Lk. 11:29-32. Lect II: 364
 13 Tuesday Rom. 1:16-25. Ps. 18. Lk. 11:37-41. Lect II: 366
 14 Wednesday Rom. 2:1-11. Ps. 61. Lk. 11:42-46. Lect II: 368
 15 Thursday Rom. 3:21-30. Ps. 129. Lk. 11 :47-54. Lect II: 370
 16 Friday Rom. 4: 1.8. Ps. 31. Lk. 12: 1.7. Lect II: 372
 17 Saturday Rom. 4:13,16-18. Ps. 104. Lk. 12:8-12. Lect II: 374

Next Sunday’s Readings 18/October/2015

Is 53:10-11. Ps 32:4-5, 18-20, 22, R/ v 22. Heb 4:14-16, Mk. 10:42-45. Lect I: 814

THE SUNDAY READINGS

First Reading: Wisdom 7:7-11
 Each of us needs prudence, maturity, sound judgment -- such things are more valuable than gold or silver -- such things are wisdom, a gift from God.

Second Reading: Hebrews 4:12-13
 A two-edged sword cuts both ways; it is doubly sharp. In the same way, the Bible has the power of God. A good Catholic studies the Word of God, cherishes the Word of God, and lives by the Word of God.

Gospel: Mark 10:17-30
 What must I do to inherit eternal life? Man of desires, he expresses the deep-rooted desire for life. Man without a name he could be any one of us. His seeking for life inevitably brings him to the question about God. “No one is good but God alone.” To recall this truth is, for Jesus, a way of getting to the heart of the matter.

“Mothers’ Prayers”

Continue every Thursday at 10.00 a.m
 At ‘Sonas’ House - Station Road
 We welcome Mothers, Grandmothers, Godmothers to join in prayer for all our children and the youth of our parish.

Live Broadcast

The Children’s Mass at Christ Our Light on 13th December will be broadcasted on RTE Radio from 11am.

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Our Favourite Psalms

Psalm 102 (A prayer of Thanksgiving)

My soul, give thanks to the LORD,
all my being, bless God's holy name.
My soul, give thanks to the LORD
and never forget all Gods blessings.

It is the LORD who pardons all your guilt,
who heals all your ills,
who crowns you with love and compassion,
who fills your life with good things,

The LORD is merciful and gracious,
slow to anger and rich in faithful love.
God does not treat us according to our sins
nor repay us according to our faults.

For as the heavens are high above the earth
so great is God's faithful love for us.
As far as the east is from the west
so far does God remove our sins.

As a father has compassion for his children,
so the LORD has compassion for us.
For the LORD knows of what we are made,
God remembers that we are dust.

An Invitation to Remember...

A Service of Remembrance will be held
By Cork University Maternity Hospital on
Friday 16th October 2015 at 7.30pm
In the Sacred Heart Church,
Western Road, Cork

All who have experienced pregnancy or infant loss are
welcome to attend

Children's Mass

The next Children's Mass for children in second class prepar-
ing for their first Holy Communion will take place on Sunday
October 18th , at 11.00am in Church of Christ Our Light. The
Parents of children who are seven and eight are asked to
bring them to this Mass. Preparation with the children com-
mences in the main body of the church at 10.45am. The Chil-
dren retire to the crying room where they celebrate the Litu-
rgy of the Word in a child friendly fashion. They will return to
the main church at the start of the offertory procession.

Towards Peace

Towards Peace is a new spiritual support service designed for
those who have experienced sexual, physical, emotional or
spiritual abuse by Catholic Church personnel in Ireland. Sup-
port is also available for family members of abuse survivors.
The vision of Towards Peace is to provide a safe supportive
space, where people who have been affected by abuse in a
Church context can be accompanied as they seek their own
experience of spiritual peace, one step at a time. Towards
Peace provides spiritual support through one-to-one spiritual direc-
tion sessions, with a qualified spiritual companion. Up to nine ses-
sions are offered and there is no cost. For more information, please
visit www.towardspeace.ie, phone 01 505 3028 or email toward-peace@iecon.ie.

Bulletin Board

Directed Prayer

Commencing 8th – 13th November inclusive. Last year
people who took part were delighted and enriched following
participation. This is an opportunity to deepen and enhance
our prayer life.

Diocesan Collection

Diocesan Needs Collection takes place at all Masses this
weekend October 10th & 11th
The success of these collections has greatly assisted the
operation of the Diocesan Central Account. The collections
initially amounted to approximately
€78,000 per quarter, with the continuing average quarterly
collection now being maintained at approximately €60,000
or €240,000 annually. This amounts to a significant
contribution, 20%, to the overall Income of the Central Fund
of the Diocese, which pays the running costs of the Diocese.
The generosity of people of the Diocese and the resulting
success of the quarterly collection is evident in its effect in
contributing to the running costs of the Diocesan Central
Account.

Mission Sunday

Envelope collection for the propagation of the faith will be
taken up at all churches next week end.

Novena for the Dead – November 2nd to 10th, 2015

November is a month dedicated to our dead relatives and
friends. It is the time of year when we are asked to pray for
our dead and thank God for their efforts and goodness to us.
Christ's prayer to his Father is "I want those you have given
me to be with me where I am, so that they may always see
the glory you have given me."

We encourage everyone to make a special effort to come to
daily Mass during the Novena for the Dead and may be even
keep up the effort for the month of November.

There will be evening Mass (morning Masses as usual) in
both Churches during the Novena- 6.30pm Christ Our Light
and 8pm St Mary & St John.

Special Mass

There will be a Special Mass to remember all our loved ones
who died during the past year on Wednesday November
11th at 8.00pm in St Mary & St John. All those who died
from the Parish will be remembered at this Mass. Families
who wish to have deceased family members (who died
during the past twelve months) included in this Mass are
invited to hand in their names to the Sacristy or Parish Office
during the week and please include a contact name, phone
number and an address.

Cemetery Masses

Mass in St Oliver's Cemetery Saturday November 7th at 2pm
Mass in St Mary's & St John Cemetery November 14th at 12
noon

Fr. George

MINISTERS OF THE WORD

Oct/17 & Oct/18/2015

St. Mary & St. John

Christ Our Light

6:00 pm (Vigil)
Sean Collins
Ben Purcell
8:30 am
Pat Fennell
Kate Healy
10:00 am
Diandra Buckley
Oisín Morin
12:00 Noon
Tony Lynch
Shane Tully

7:30 pm (Vigil)
Rebecca Feely
Josh Nyagaya
11:00 am
Jacob Derham
Ciara Healy
12:30 pm
Aisling Dore
Clara Herdman
5:30 pm
Tom Reck

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)

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

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Funeral Pastoral Team Rota

Week 12th Oct to 18th Oct

Brid Dunne
Sr. Colette O'Leary

Social / Coffee Mornings

Continue 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.



MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST

Oct/17 & Oct/18/2015

St. Mary & St. John

Christ Our Light

6.00 pm Eileen Murphy
Ted Nelligan
Maurice Bunyan
Sheila Walshe
Katie Collins
Aisling Leahy

7:30 pm John O'Donoghue
Mary Dineen
Mairead Keenan
Kay O'Sullivan

8:30 am Helen Kelly
Michael Crowley
Eileen Corkery

11:00 am Mona Bowen
Diarmuid Horgan
Billy Barry
Mary Aylward
Pauline Barton

10:00 am Fionnuala McDonagh
Mary Buckley
Fiona Kelly
Mary O'Regan
Martin O'Leary
Andrej Janukowicz

12:30 pm Maura O'Driscoll
Mary Lehane
Dympna Byrne
Suzanne Leech

12 Noon Ann-Marie Cosgrove
Phil Kennedy
Ellen O'Sullivan
Ursula McAuliffe
Sally Crowley
Jim Lordan

5:30 pm Shelia Curran
Elizabeth O'Sullivan

Cantairí Mhuscraí - John Rutter's Requiem

The Ballincollig based choir, Cantairí Mhuscraí, will perform John Rutter's acclaimed Requiem at the Church of St. Mary & St. John, Ballincollig, at 7.30pm on Sunday 22nd November. This performance of the Requiem coincides with the 150th Jubilee Year of the Church of St. Mary & St. John and appropriately takes place during November, the Month of the Holy Souls in Purgatory. This wonderful and very accessible work was written by the composer John Rutter who celebrates his 70th birthday on 24th September this year. It is a musical setting of parts of the Latin Requiem with added psalms in English and was first performed 30 years ago in October 1985. It has since become a mainstay of the choral world being recorded many times and performed all over the globe. Classic FM says of the composer "John Rutter unashamedly composes instantly memorable tunes. In a world where so many composers believe music is no longer primarily about melody, Rutter stands out as someone who defiantly bucks that trend."

Tickets @ €20 will be on sale from choir members from early October.
Telephone 0876658021, 0872514816 or 0862998239 or any choir member for further details.

Tickets also available from Catherine in Parish Office.
Telephone: 021 487 1206
Proceeds to Marymount Hospice