

THE BALLINCOLLIG PARISHIONER



St. Mary & St. John
Station Road

Sunday 14-October-2007

Twenty Eighth Sunday In Ordinary Time

Day of Prayer for Emigrants

Eucharistic is the name that we give to our great act of worship; it is a name that means 'giving thanks.' Today's readings remind us that we owe God thanks not just for healing lepers two thousand years ago, but for blessing our lives with his love and restoring them with his forgiveness.



Christ Our Light
Innishmore

The Ten Lepers

The Lepers in the Gospel account cry out 'Take pity on us'. Jesus saw them and spoke to them. The power of Jesus seeing the Lepers and then speaking with them is the foundation of this miracle. The lepers were outcasts in their time, they represent the disfigured people in our society today. Just like Christ's time the disfigured people are there waiting to be seen and noticed by each of us. Today we remember the 'lepers' in our family, society, neighbourhood, classroom and workplace. People who are looked down upon because they are 'labelled' disfigured in some way. Jesus response in today's gospel calls us to celebrate those who behave like Him towards others, people of courage, generosity and deep faith or us.

Today's headline in the Examiner draws attention to a statement from the Irish bishops. This statement (I only have media Reports) encourages a view of Church as the people of God, a people with gifts and talents, also with responsibilities for the building of the kingdom of God. To enable the church of Christ to flourish and grow the gifts and talents of the believing community need to be recognised and acknowledged. The people of God need to be recognised as the members of this community we call church, the growth of this community will depend on the members taking responsibility and having an influential role in the building of a caring, welcoming and Christ centred community.

During the past ten years the parish council in Ballincollig has provided opportunities for parishioners to play their part in the parish. The council has also provided an opportunity to identify the needs of the parish and to begin to address these needs. Some work has been done, hopefully with your interest and commitment more will be achieved in the weeks and months ahead.

George O'Mahony

Reflection for Parents

It's unlikely that the lepers in today's Gospel weren't happy about being healed from a dreaded disease that isolated them from their family and friends. However, they never said thank you to Jesus. Maybe they were too busy, too excited, too preoccupied, or too thoughtless. As parents, we have certainly experienced a lack of gratitude from our children. We know they are truly grateful for their home, the food they eat, the bed they sleep in, the clothes they wear, the taxi service we provide and the hours we spend playing with them. But most kids are not often there with a big hug and "Thank You!" Yet, our love does not diminish in the carelessness of our children, just as God's healing did not disappear from the lepers. Likewise, even though we forget to thank God and praise him for all our rich blessings, healings, and mercy, the gift of love keeps coming, just as our love continues for our children.

PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL

Priest

The Lord shows pity to all who are in need. We present our petitions with confidence.

Reader

That all Christians may live in thankfulness.

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

That our Pope and all who serve in the Church as leaders may be richly gifted with wisdom and prudence.

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

That all who migrate, for whatever reason, may be enriched in their travels and in their experience of other countries and cultures.

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

That we may reach out in welcome to new neighbours and to those who come among us as strangers.

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

That those who are sick or in pain may be healed and comforted.

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

For young people, that they may make the Christian ideals their own.

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

Priest

God of all kindness, you care for our every need. We bring these prayers before you with trust in your mercy and in your loving kindness. We pray in the name of Jesus, your beloved Son, who is Our Lord forever.

Amen.

The Lord Has Shown His Salvation To The Nations.

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BAPTISMS

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

Cillian Eamon O'Farrell, 28 Berryfield, Classis Lake.
 Ava Kathleen Hanlon-Maher, 85 Lesley Arch, Old Quarter.
 Sophie Clare Riordan, 10 Holly Road, Muskerry Estate.
 Ellie Alanna Doyle, 130 Caislean Way.

† **IN SYMPATHY** †

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

Margaret Murphy, Watergrasshill & Ballinagree.
 Nora Cronin, London.
 William Flynn, Carrick- An- Suir Co. Tipperary.
 Margaret Galvin, Farran.
 Catherine O'Leary, Rathmore.
 Michael Lynch, Pouladuff Road.
 Peter Hannan. Australia.
 John O'Sullivan, Castle Park.
 Mary Kenefick, Clonakilty.

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

Gerard Murphy, Westcliffe.
 Richard Murphy, Clash.
 Denis J. Callanan, Innishmore Court.
 Phil Doyle, Togher.
 Joan O'Keeffe, Bantry.
 Cathy Foley, Waterfall.
 Bernie Herlihy, Dripsey.
 Joan & Patrick Howe, Kildare.
 Michael & Mary Harrington, Douglas.
 Mary O'Sullivan, Glenleigh.
 William Cagey, Waterfall.
 May Forture McSweeney.
 Mary O'Sullivan, Carriganarra.
 John Forde, Curraheen Village.
 Mary Herlihy, Rosscarbery.
 William O'Mahony, Glanmire.
 Nora Maverley, Quaker Road.
 Fr Sean Murphy, Station Road.
 Nicholas Tarrant, Inniscarra View Est. & Millstreet.
 Nancy Hogan, The Crescent.
 John Kiely, Ovens.
 Edward Meaney, Cathedral Road.
 Donal O'Connor, Coolroe.
 Hannah O'Sullivan, Rosewood.
 Tom McNamara, Powdermills.
 John Sexton, Bweeng.

Table Quiz in aid of Cork Simon.

Table Quiz in aid of Cork Simon in **NEMO GAA** Club on Thursday the 25th of October at 9 pm.
 Tables of 4 at €40 per table.
 Please come along and support Cork Simon.
 For more information call Mairead on 021 4321166
 Or email mairread@corksmoncommunity.ie

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Twenty Eighth Week In Ordinary Time

14 Sunday 2 Kg 5:14-17. Ps 97. 2 Tim 2:8-13 Lk 17:11-19 Lect I: 919
 15 Monday Rom. 1 :1-7. Ps. 97. Lk. 11 :29-32. Lect II:364
 16 Tuesday Rom.1:16-25. Ps.18. Lk.11:37-41. Lect II:366
 17 Wednesday Rom. 2: 1-11. Ps. 61. Lk. 11 :42-46. Lect II:368
 18 Thursday 2 Tim. 4: 10-17. Ps. 144. Lk. 10: 1-9. Lect II:1233
 19 Friday Rom. 4:1-8. Ps. 31. Lk. 12:1-7. Lect II:372
 20 Saturday Rom. 4:13,16-18. Ps. 104. Lk. 12:8-12. Lect II: 374

Next Sunday's Readings 21-October-2007
 Ex 17:8-13. Ps 120. 1 Jn 4:11-16. Lk 18:1-8. Lect I: 92

Society of St. Vincent De Paul

Would you like to speak, in complete confidence, to a member of the St. Vincent de Paul Society?

Please Phone:

SVP Ballincollig 086 3202182

or

SVP Tuckey St., Cork: 021 4270444

Parenting Group.

We are planning to run a parenting Group in the Church of the Resurrection, Blarney, starting on Monday 8th October at 8 pm. There would be three sessions before half term and three after, ending on November 19th. We are gearing the group towards parents with children in the 5 to 15 age group. Each evening would include video clips, discussion and other activities. Usually these groups are relaxed, informal and a lot of fun, and feedback from previous participants has been very encouraging. There would be a small charge towards heat, light and refreshments and you might like to purchase a course manual too. If you would like to find out more, please contact Ruth Hockey on 7434934 or 0872941281 or phone Carrigrohane parish office on 4877260, weekday mornings.

Common Ground

Working Together in a Developing World. Free public lecture, open forum and reception. What is global development? How can we make an impact? Silver Springs Conference Centre, Cork, Wednesday. 17th October 7.00 p.m. Speakers: Maureen Forrest (Intl. Person of the Year), Christy Kenneally & Hans Zomer. Chair: HE. Priscilla Jana, South African Ambassador. Enquiries: Sinead Harrington, Tel. 021-4292990.

All Welcome.

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THE SUNDAY READINGS

First Reading: 2 Kings 5:14-17

In the first reading, Naaman was healed from his leprosy. In those days, such sickness was thought of as evidence of sin. Therefore, to be healed was to be forgiven. Naaman's response is thanksgiving to the one true God.

Second Reading: 2 Tim 2:8-13

Paul says that Word of god cannot be chained. God's promise of final victory remains secure, no matter how great our suffering.

Gospel: Luke 17:11-19

Jesus healed ten lepers in today's Gospel, but only one (an unlikely one, at that!) came back to thank Jesus and give praise to God. Jesus wondered where the others were and why they didn't think to praise God for their healing.

Bulletin Board

Baptism Preparation.

The next Baptism preparation will take place next Saturday October 20th at 1.00 pm, and will be held in the Community Hall, Station Rd. 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 be 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.

Autumn Dues

Envelopes are currently being distributed to homes throughout the parish of Ballincollig, contribution of the dues is for the support of the priests of the parish. Please return it by placing it in the Basket at Mass. Should your home be missed spare envelopes are available from the back of the Church.

Mass Cards.

A number of Irish Bishops have expressed concern about pre-signed Mass cards that are on sale in some shops. Some of these cards bear illegible names and others bear names that are not known on the missions or by members of religious orders. I have received queries from benefactors who are concerned about this practice. These cards are made available to the shops for one euro fifty cents and sold on by the shops for four or five euro. The Bishops advise Catholics not to buy these cards

Envelope Collection

Mission Sunday Collection for the Propagation of the Faith will be taken up at all Masses next weekend the 20th and 21st October, 2007

Children's Mass

The Children's Mass continues every Sunday at 11 am in Christ Our Light. The Children of 2nd class retire to the crying room at the beginning of Mass where they celebrate Liturgy of the Word in child friendly fashion, do word, colouring and maze searches. Volunteers are welcome and needed to help. Training and practice will be given. Parents are welcome to join their Children, especially Parents of Children who are now preparing for their First Holy Communion.

November Cemetery Masses

Dates & times will be published next week.

Fr. George

Scout News

All the sections are now back; all sections have been on activities. The Friday night Maccoimh went to Cobh camping and the Tuesday night Maccoimh went camping in Briny, It was very cold but all were well rapped up, even so little sleep was had by the Maccoimh and the leaders got very little sleep as well and became cranky. The Scouts were put to shame by the Maccoimh, preferring to stay nice and warm in their beds, they did climb Galtee Beag and Galtee Mor, the P.Ls were in charge, and while we started out in fog, as the day wore on it burnt off. We got to the top of Galtee Beag and had a rest, the wind was picking up so we headed on down and started climbing back up the shoulder of Galtee Mor, The going was tough as it was very steep, eventually after much stopping we reached the top, we took a much earned rest, had lunch, the P.LS had to plan our route back. This is where the fun started, the leaders had decided regardless of how lost we got we would intervene, (unless we were in danger) we were not in danger, but the track they picked must have been the most strenuous hike I was ever on. We reached the bus at last and had a long rest before we headed for home. I hope they learnt something, the leaders have - more exercise. *Most of us who brag about what we are going to do tomorrow did the same thing yesterday.*

Member of newly formed music group in the "Church of Christ Our Light" going to South Africa.

Brendan O'Halloran, a member of the newly formed music group in the "Church of Christ Our Light" under the direction of Karen O'Sullivan, would like to invite you all to a special mass at 12.30 pm on Sunday 21st October 2007 where the group promises to provide you with some very authentic South African music. This is part of the fund raising efforts to enable Brendan to participate in this years "Niall Mellon Township Challenge" which will take place in Cape Town, South Africa, in November 2007. This year, 1350 Irish volunteers will descend on Cape Town where Brendan will be part of the team to complete the building of 150 houses.

This trip gives us the opportunity to give something back to society and especially to those less fortunate than ourselves, so your support would be greatly appreciated.

The location this year is "Freedom Park" which is situated 40Km from Cape Town. This township was set up during the Apartheid regime and the pledge for this township is 500 houses

Come Rest In Me!

Come and listen to a Catechesis for adults and youth.

Where? Church of Christ Our Light, Ballincollig.

When? Sundays and Wednesdays at 8 pm

No one can come to me unless drawn by the Father who sent me. (Jn. 6.44)

Cork Simon Community

Will be holding their Annual Church Gate Collection in Ballincollig on Saturday 20th and Sunday 21st October - please support, thank you.

MINISTERS OF THE WORD

Oct-20 & Oct-21-2007

St. Mary & St. John

Christ Our Light

6:00 pm (Vigil)
Derval Spillane
Muireann Nelligan
8:30 am
Susan Fennell
10:00 am
Sean Collins
Katie Collins
12:00 Noon
Tomas Miller
Niall Hartnett

8:00 pm (Vigil)
Fiona Feely
11:00 am
Dave Murphy
12:30 pm
Lia Breathnach
Cathy Naughton
5:30 pm
Christine O'Brien

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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9:30 am

Thursday

8:30 am

9:30 am

Friday

8:30 am

10:00 am & 6 pm (Vigil)

Saturday

8 pm (Vigil)

CONFESSIONS

After 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. Michael O'Mahony C.C. 021-4877161

Fr. Sean O'Driscoll C.C. 021-4870434

Fr. Ted Sheehan 021-4876171

MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST

Oct-20 & Oct-21-2007

St. Mary & St. John

Christ Our Light

6.00 pm Patsie Murphy
Marie Bohan
Mary Walsh
Marie Healy
Margaret Kearney
Nora Barry

8:00 pm Jim Cahill
Kit Cahill
Sheila O'Connor

8:30 am Theresa Lucey
Rita Murphy
Mona Holland

11:00 am Carmel Ryan
Angela Cunningham
Laurence Cunningham
Eileen Byrne

10:00 am Tadgh Murphy
Mary Murphy
Joan Tobin
Tony O'Leary
Phil Kennedy
Denis Healy

12:30 pm Eileen Garvey
Sally Power
Breda Callanan
Marie O'Brien
Olan O'Mahony

12 Noon Michael Crowley
Breda Lenihan
Noel Hennessey
Jacinta Jeffers
Rena O'Connor
Sean Farrell

5:30 pm Neil O'Donoghue
Phil O'Connell
Maire McCullagh

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Saturday 9.30 - 12.30 pm



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