THE BALLINCOLLIG PARISHIONER



St. Mary & St. John Station Road

Sunday 14-September-2008

The Triumph Of The Cross

This feast is a reminder that God sent his son into the world to take on the human condition in all its weakness, a weakness symbolised by death. Through his triumph over death Christ offers us the way to the Father, the way to eternal life.



Christ Our Light Innishmore

The feast of The Triumph of the Cross.

Welcome back to every family and individual that got the opportunity to get a break, especially the break from routine. By now parents are well into the school runs for another year and thankfully you have the love and energy to provide for and be an inspiration for your children. Pupils and teachers are back to the routine of classes and time tables in the various schools and colleges. I hope and pray that pupils, teachers and parents will have a fruitful time and a year fill of learning and growth in wisdom.

The life of the parish sees new starts also; the parish council and its various sub-committees are getting into action for another year. The parish council welcomes the views and presence of any and all parishioners.

Today, the feast of the triumph of the cross, reminds us that God loves us so much that he sent His son so that everyone who believes in him may not be lost but may have eternal life. The cross and Christ are all about the love of God for us and the promise of life and fulfillment for each of us. May this feast give us the courage to carry our difficulties with courage and hope..

George O'Mahony

Diocese of Cork and Ross Parish Child Protection Representatives

Last December, Bishop Buckley sent a letter to every parish in the diocese announcing the planned appointment of Parish Child Protection Representatives in each parish. The role of these representatives will be to ensure that all information about child protection procedures will be available in each parish, thus ensuring that each parish is committed to best practice in respect of children and young people.

The parishes and religious congregations in the City West Deanery will form the fifth grouping to be offered special training for this role. People who may be interested in becoming parish representatives are invited to give their names to the parish office or to one of the priests of the parish by Wednesday, September 17th 2008 or by telephone contact to 021 4871206

Thought for Today

At the time Jesus was crucified, the cross was a shameful piece of wood. But, we understand it completely differently today. It is a powerful symbol of God's love for us and a reminder that no matter how difficult our journey is, there is hope for us. We can't fully understand, nor could the disciples, what Jesus has gone to prepare for us, but our strength lies in our trust that he has.

PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL

Priest

Let us follow the example of Moses, who pleaded on behalf of the people of Israel in the desert, as we present our needs to our heavenly Father.

Reader

For the Church. May it guide the hearts of the people in the way of truth.

Lord, Hear us, Lord, graciously hear us.

For peace. That leaders in the world, and in our communities, may strive to build peace.

Lord, Hear us, Lord, graciously hear us.

For all who are sick at this time. May they experience the healing touch of Christ.

Lord, Hear us, Lord, graciously hear us.

For vocations. May young women and men find the courage to say 'yes' to God's call.

Lord, Hear us, Lord, graciously hear us.

For those who suffer and are persecuted for their faith. May they be comforted.

Lord, Hear us, Lord, graciously hear us.

For the dead. May they see the glory of the resurrection.

Lord, Hear us, Lord, graciously hear us.

Priest

God, our rock and compassion, you so loved that world that you sent your only Son so that we may not be lost. Hear the prayers we make this day through the same Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

Never forget the deeds of the Lord.

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MARRIAGES

CONGRATULATIONS TO:

Finbarr Noel O'Connell, Farran & Emma Catherine Mary McKechnie, Ivy Circle.

Ivan James Cooney, Coachford & Catherine Marie O'Riordan, Coolroe.

Paul O'Donoghue, Glenfesk, & Gillian MacEoin, Killarney. John Gerard Murphy, Bunclody & Martina Lehane, Knockburden. Finbarr Paul Cronin, Classis Lake & Anita Angela Scott, Classis Lake.

Mark Rearden, Barley Grove Wales & Deborah Dunlea, Wales. James A McCarthy, Distillery Court & Anne Fahy, Distillery Court.

Anthony Sweet, Classis Lake & Regina Kelleher, Classis Lake. Anthony Henchion, An Caislean & Sonya Lane, An Caislean. Colum O'Donoghue,Innishmore Lawn & Dympna Kierse, Innishmore.

Patrick Prendergast, Bandon & Sarah Vaughan, Beech Park. Thomas Brendan Costello, The Cloisters & Siohhan Cadogan The Cloisters.

Paul McCrann, Monkstown, & Ciara O'Mahony, Church View. Graham Atkinson, Innishannon & Teresa McEvoy, Model Farm Road.

Adrian O'Neill, Hatfield, U.K & Loraine Theresa McKenna, Hatfield, U.K

Gavin Naughton, Knockburden, & Gretta Mary Murphy, Knockburden.

Renata Lidia Falan, Ivy Circle & Yarosiane Gubora, Ivy Circle. Patrick Hegarty, Glenville & Yvonne O'Connor, Sunningdale.

† IN SYMPATHY †

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

Bridget Sexton, Model Farm Road.

Dina Dreelin, Kilkenny.

Fr. Finbarr Horgan.

Gillian Drinan, Church View.

Kathleen Griffin, Spur Hill.

Pat Walsh, Muskerry Estate.

Pat Walsh, Willow Drive.

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

Willie Kavanagh, Raheen, Carrigrohane.

John & Ellen Curran, Ballyphehane.

Joe Linehan, Inniscarra View

John & Mary Lucey, Gillabbey Tce.

Joan Coakley, Muskerry Estate.

Rita Lynch, Beech Park.

Dan & Kevin O'Donovan, Bantry.

Jack O'Sullivan, Carriganarra.

Frank O'Brien, Wyndham Downs.

Peg Barry Murphy, Carriganarra.

Ann O'Flynn, Mullingar & Curraheen.

Jerry McCarthy, Raheen.

Sean Healy, Killarney.

Deceased Members of the Henchy Family.

Edward & Kathleen Ring, Mulgrave Road.

Nuala Delaney, Whitethom Drive.

Liam & Edward Scully, Castlemartyr.

Teresa Morton, Inniscarra View.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Twenty Fourth Week In Ordinary Time

14 Sunday Hum. 21:4-9. Ps. 77. Phil. 2:6-11. In. 3: 13-17. Lect II: 1186

15 Monday Heb. 5:7-9. Ps. 30. In. 19:25-27 or Lk. 2:33-35. Lect II: 1189

16 Tuesday 1 Cor 12:12-14, 27-31. Ps99. Lk 7:11-17. Lect II: 765

17 Wednesday 1 Cor 12:31-13:13. Ps32. Lk 7:31-35. Lect II: 767

18 Thursday 1 Cor 15:1-11. Ps 117. Lk 7:36-50. Lect II: 769

19 Friday 1 Cor. 15: 12-20. Ps. 16.Lk. 8: 1-3. Lect II: 772

20 Saturday 1 Cor. 15:35-37,42-49. Ps. 55. Lk. 8:4-15. Lect II: 774

Next Sunday's Readings 21-September-2008 Is. 55:6-9. Ps. 144. Phil. 1:20-24, 27. Mt. 20: 1-16. Lect I: 702

Mobile Phone Etiquette

We ask all parishioners to ensure mobile phones are switched off when attending church; this can be hugely distracting especially during Mass.

A Date for your Diary

Week of Directed Prayer

12th to 17th October 2008 More news next week

Special Mass at Cathedral

The first visit to the Diocese of Cork and Ross since his appointment as Apostolic Nuncio to Ireland will be made to coincide with the 200th anniversary of the Cathedral. His Excellency, Archbishop Giuseppe Leanza, will be a special guest at the Mass to mark the Cathedral's bicentenary which will be celebrated on September 25th at 7.30 pm

The Principal Celebrant at the Mass will be Bishop John Buckley and the homily will be preached by His Excellency, Archbishop Patrick Coveney, Apostolic Nuncio to Greece. Archbishop Coveney is a native of Tracton Abbey parish in the diocese and was ordained archbishop at the Cathedral on 15 September 1985.

The Mass on the Feast Day of St. Finbarr (patron saint of Cork) will be concelebrated by priests of the diocese and attended by representatives of the 68 parishes of the diocese. All are welcome to attend and participate as the Bishop, priests, religious and parishioners of the diocese give thanks for 200 years of faith and dedication

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THE SUNDAY READINGS

First Reading: Num. 21:4-9

The people in the desert were losing hope. We know the feeling! Disillusionment, worry, loneliness and sorrow can wear us down. In the light of Christ's cross, we find hope that is stronger than any suffering. Jesus gave himself without limit to his Father, who raised him high. The meaning of our suffering is to share in his journey to the glory of his Father.

Second Reading: Phil. 2:6-11

The state of Jesus was divine, yet he did not cling to his equality with God but emptied himself to assume the condition of a slave.

Gospel: John 3: 13-17

The feast of The Triumph Of The Cross is celebrated each year since 335 when a church was first dedicated on the site of the crucifixion in Jerusalem. Jesus died between two men. One of them said to the other. 'We are paying for what we did. But this man has done nothing wrong. (Lk 23; 41.) Jesus lived his dying completely for others. The total exhaustion of his body, the abandonment of his friends, even of his God all became the gift of himself. As he hung dying in complete powerlessness, nailed to the wood of a tree, there was no bitterness, no desire for revenge or resentment. Nothing to cling to; all to give. "Unless the grain of wheat falls into the earth and dies, it remains only a single grain, but if it dies it yields a rich harvest. "(Jn 12; 24). Jesus the innocent one died and death became a gateway to life.

Jesus on the Cross lived with the greatest poverty as his cry from the heart reminds us of "My God, my God, why have you forsaken me". He, who came from God us to God, suffered the deepest anguish a human being can suffer, the anguish of being left alone, rejected, forgotten, abandoned by the one who is the source of all life. Every human being needs to be loved, cared and treated with dignity. Parents have the privilege of providing love and affection for their children but each of us Christians face a daily calling to become more aware of the love and affection of God for us and to reflect that love in our dealings and living with others.

'Mothers Prayers' Groups

Recommence on:

Wednesday 17th September, <u>10.30 a.m</u> - Meeting Room at Christ our Light Church

Thursday 18th September, at 10.00 a.m - Scout Hall, (beside Parish Church)

Please note temporary change of Venue for Thursday mornings

All Mothers, Grandmothers, Godmothers are welcome to come along one of these mornings to pray for their children and the youth of our Parish. (For approximately 30 minutes)

Parish Bereavement Support Group

The next Bereavement Support Group Programme will commence on Tuesday 23rd September 2008 and will continue each Tuesday night for 8 weeks. This programme is open to all who are grieving the loss of a loved one and is held in a small group setting.

For further details, please contact Sr Colette O'Leary: 086.3557375 or the Parish Office: 4871206

National Tidy Towns

Congratulations to Ballincollig Tidy Town's committee on retaining Bronze Medal and achieving 3rd place in the Cork South West Area in the National Tidy Towns results released on Monday September 8th

Bulletin Board

Mass Book

Diaries to book Mass intentions for October, November & December 2008 are now open in both Churches.

Irish Blood Transfusion Service

A special thank you to the 492 Donors who attended this Clinic. Donors, together with the families, friends & neighbours that support them make up a community that brings life and hope to hospital patients every day.

Junior Certificate

Congratulations to all Students on their results and we wish you well on your future studies, also to Teachers and Parents for their support over the years.

Envelope Collection

Education Fund (Students for the Priesthood) Next Weekend 20th & 21st September 2008

This Week's Calendar

Monday 15 – Our Lady of Sorrows. Mary standing by the cross, 'suffered intensely with her only-begotten Son and united herself as his Mother to his sacrifice, consenting with love to the offering of the victim who was born of her', whom she also offered to the eternal Father (Marialis Cultus).

Tuesday 16 – Saints Cornelius, Pope and Cyprian, bishop, martyrs. Cornelius became Pope in 251 and died in exile at Civitavecchia in 253. Patron for cattle and domestic animals.

Cyprian, 210-258, bishop of Carthage, teacher and preacher, martyred.

Wednesday 17 – St Robert Bellarmine, bishop and doctor of the Church. Robert, 1542-1621, Jesuit, Cardinal Bishop of Capua, involved in theological controversies of the time. Patron of catechists.

Thursday 18 – Weekday (24th Week in Ordinary Time)
Friday 19 – St Januaris, bishop and martyr. Januaris, bishop of
Benevento, was martyred at Naples in 305, with six companions.

Saturday 20 – Saints Andrew Kim Taegon, priest, Paul Chong
Hasang, and Companions, martyrs. Andrew Kin Teagon, the first Korean priest, Paul Chong Hasang, a catechist, and one hundred and one others were martyred during the persecutions of the Church in Korea, 1839-1867.

Fr. George

Muskerry Local History Society

Walk about in Blarney:-

Discover origins of Square House and Mills

and why Village is unique

Speaker: Paddy Murphy Local Historian

West at Old Tram Station (Costle

Venue: Meet at Old Tram Station (Castle Entrance)
Date & Time Tuesday 16th September @ 7.30 pm sharp

Everyone Most Welcome.

Are you affected by eating disorders?

Would you be interested in finding out more?

Bodywhys

The Eating Disorder Association of Ireland will be holding an Information Evening

at

The Metropole Hotel, Cork on Tuesday, September 16th at 7:30 p.m. Entry is free and open to all For further information please contact Mary Crean on (01) 2834963 or email info@bodywhys.ie

LoCall Helpline 1890 200 444

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MINISTERS OF THE WORD

Sep-20 & Sep-21-2008

St. Mary & St. John

Christ Our Light



7:30 pm (Vigil) Pauline Collins 11:00 am Chide Ebili Karen Flavin 12:30 pm Joseph Manning 5:30 pm **Emily Hardman**



MINISTERS OF THE **EUCHARIST**

Sep-20 & Sep-21-2008

St. Mary & St. John

6.00 pm	Patsie Murphy Marie Bohan Mary Walsh Marie Healy	7:30 pm	Sheila O'Connor John Canty Brid Healy-Harris
	Margaret Kearney Nora Barry	11:00 am	Carmel Ryan Angela Cunningham
8:30 am	Theresa Lucey Rita Murphy Mona Holland		Laurence Cunninghan Eileen Byrne
10:00 am	Mary Murphy Joan Tobin Tony O'Leary Phil Kennedy	12:30 pm	Eileen Garvey Sally Power Breda Callanan Catherine Freehill Attracta McKiernan
	Denis Healy	5:30 pm	Phil O'Connell

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

Christ Our Light

Maire McCullagh

Olan O'Mahony

MASS TIMES

St. Mary & St. John	Christ Our Light	
8:30 am, 10 am & 12 noon	Sunday 11 am, 12:30 pm & 5:3	
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

Saturday	4:30 pm
•	First Saturday of Month
	Saturday

12:45 pm Sunday

PARISH CLERGY

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