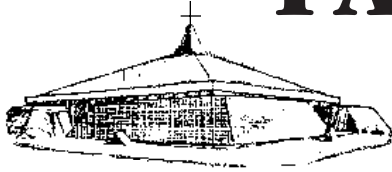
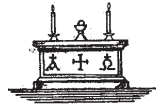


THE BALLINCOLLIG PARISHIONER



CHRIST OUR LIGHT
INNISHMORE



ST. MARY & ST. JOHN
STATION ROAD

SUNDAY 15TH SEPTEMBER 2002

TWENTY FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

There are times when we may be angry with another and resentful. An important antidote to this is a proper appreciation of our own experience of forgiveness. Once we have received the healing forgiveness of God there should be no place for unforgiving or vengeful behaviour in our lives - that would be to destroy the very forgiveness we have received.

THE LEGION OF MARY RECRUITMENT CAMPAIGN

DO YOU KNOW?

THAT hunger is one of the world's greatest problems, today and every day?
THAT spiritual starvation is more widespread, and more serious than physical hunger?
THAT it afflicts even the richest countries, and you can find it on your own doorstep?
THAT we who have faith have something very special to share with our neighbour?
THAT working for others can give a new meaning to your life, instantly?
THAT Christ expects each and everyone to play some part in His work?
THAT 'Go and preach the Gospel to every creature' is what He asks of us?

HOW DO I DO THIS?

BY VISITING the sick, the lonely, the old, in hospitals or in their own homes.
BY VISITING lapsed Catholics who want to return but are afraid of taking that step.
BY VISITING every house in the Parish, in the hope of bringing Christ's message to everyone.

WHEN CAN I DO THIS? - **NOW** - IF YOU JOIN THE LEGION OF MARY

THE LEGION OF MARY WILL HELP YOU:

To see Christ in others and to serve Him there.
To become a holier person within yourself.
To work hand in hand with Mary our mother.
To submit yourself to the Holy Spirit.
To do great things for God and for the salvation of souls.

BUT WHY SHOULD I JOIN THE LEGION OF MARY? TO TAKE PART IN THE APOSTOLATE:

BECAUSE Christ has no hands to do His work but your most generous hands.
BECAUSE Christ has no feet but your feet to help lead men into His ways.
BECAUSE Christ has no tongue but yours to tell all how He died for them.
BECAUSE Christ has no help but your help to bring men back to His side.
BECAUSE Christ needs you today to do all His wonderful works of Mercy.

**IF YOU FAIL TO DO YOUR PART IN HIS PLAN, THAT PART OF
HIS WORK WILL REMAIN UNDONE -
CAN YOU LET THIS HAPPEN?**

PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL

Priest:

The Lord is compassion and love,
so we present our prayers with
confidence:

Reader:

For forgiveness among Christians,
that we may treat each other as God
treats us.
Lord, Hear us,
Lord, graciously hear us.

For an end to vengeance and hatred,
that we may learn to live together in
tolerance.

Lord, Hear us,
Lord, graciously hear us.

For people who are troubled in
mind, heart and body, that they may
experience healing and peace.

Lord, Hear us,
Lord, graciously hear us.

For our community, as parish
activities resume after the summer
break, that God may be with us as
we make a new start together.

Lord, Hear us,
Lord, graciously hear us.

For those who have died, that the
Lord may keep them in his loving
care.

Lord, Hear us,
Lord, graciously hear us.

Lastly, for our own needs, and for all
who have asked our prayers.

Lord, Hear us,
Lord, graciously hear us.

Priest:

God of mercy and compassion, you
heal every one of our ills: help us,
we pray you,
through Christ our Lord.
Amen.

THOUGHT FOR TODAY

THE LIFE AND DEATH OF EACH OF US HAS ITS INFLUENCE ON OTHERS (2ND READING)
The servant (Gospel) who dealt so harshly with his fellow servant cannot have appreciated his master's generosity. We are meant to treat each other with mercy because that is how God treats us and because we are to be signs of that divine mercy to one another.

***The Lord is compassion and love,
slow to anger and rich in mercy***

Visit Our Website: www.ballincolligparish.ie

BAPTISMS

WE WELCOME TO OUR COMMUNITY
ALL THOSE WHO WERE BAPTISED RECENTLY



Rory Thomas Kevin Callanan, 77, The Cloisters
Daniel Pierce Coady, 23, The Elms, Classis Lake
Tara Gillian Reville, 141, Castle Park
Leah Rebecca McDermott-Daly, 29, Woodbury, Greenfields

MARRIAGES

CONGRATULATIONS TO:



Michael Denis O'Dwyer - Bansha &
Niamh Eileen McDonagh, 49, Bridgewater

Declan Morgan, Castlemartyr &
Niamh O'Brien, 9, The Meadows, West Village

+
IN SYMPATHY

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE FAMILY AND FRIENDS OF:

Paddy O'Sullivan, Crookstown

**PLEASE PRAY FOR THE
REPOSE OF THE SOULS OF**

Michael Horne, USA
Donal & Ann Murray, The Square
Peig Barry-Murphy, Carriganarra
The Deceased Members of the Delaney Family
Catherine & John McKechnie, Tower
Brother Angelus Leahy
Mary & Daniel O'Leary, Gilabbey St.,
Annie & Jeremiah Henchy, Carrigrohane
Justin & Lucey McCarthy, Turners Cross
Patrick & Jean Ahern, Magazine Park
Paddy Troy, Glanmire & Offaly
James O'Reilly, Whitethorne Drive
Nuala Delaney, Inniscarra View Est.,
James O'Leary, Curraheen
Donors Intentions
Rita Lynch, Beech Park
John Kiely, Ovens
William & Julia Burke, Vicarstown
Deceased members of Ballincollig Credit Union
Mary O'Sullivan, Raheen
Michael Noonan
Timothy & Maureen O'Connell, Ballinguilly
Teresa Morton, Hawthorn Ave, Inniscarra View

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

15 Sunday Sir. 27:33-28:9. Ps. 102. Rom. 14:7-9. Mt. 18:21-35. Lect 1: 699

But it is above all the work of evangelisation and catechesis that is drawing new life from attentiveness to the word of God. Dear brothers and sisters this development needs to be consolidated and deepened, also by making sure that every family has a Bible. It is especially necessary that listening to the word of God should become a life-giving encounter, in the ancient and ever valid tradition of lectio divina, which draws from the biblical text the living word which questions directs and shapes our lives.

Novo Millennio Ineunte. Pope John Paul II.2001

16 Monday 1 Cor. 11:17-26, 33. Ps. 39. Lk. 7:1 - 10. Lect II:763

The tradition of the Eucharist that Paul has handed on involves more than just the ritual action. It also means really recognising the presence of Christ in the gathered community. There must be no divisions among them as they come together to celebrate the memorial of the Lord.

St Cornelius became Pope in 251 and died in exile at Civitavecchia in 253. Patron of cattle and domestic animals.
St Cyprian, 210 - 258, Bishop of Carthage, teacher and preacher, martyr.

17 Tuesday 1 Cor.12:12-14, 27-31. Ps. 99. Lk. 7:11 -17. Lect II:765

When Paul speaks of the community of faith as a body, he really means to relate it to the living physical body. Each member lives only as a part of the whole body; once amputated it is dead.

St Robert Bellarmine, 1542-1621, Jesuit, Cardinal Bishop of Copuo involved in theological controversies of the time. Patron of catechists.

18 Wednesday 1 Cor. 12:31 -13:13. Ps. 32. Lk. 7:31 -35. Lect II:767

Amidst the arguments and controversies there are three things that will endure: faith, hope and love, and the greatest of these is love.

19 Thursday 1 Cor. 15:1 - 11. Ps. 117. Lk. 7:36-50. Lect II:767

Jesus teaches the Pharisees lessons on forgiveness and compassion for sinners when the woman anoints his feet with ointment.

St Januarius, bishop of Benevento, martyred at Naples in 305, with six companions.

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

The primary reality for the Christian is the resurrection of Christ. Christ's resurrection is to be seen as the first-fruits of our resurrection.

21 Saturday Eph. 4:1 -7. Ps. 18. Mt. 9:9- 13. Lect II:1198

St Matthew, the tax collector, may also be identified with Levi son of Alphaeus in Mk. 2:13. He is said to have been a missionary in Persia and Ethiopia. Patron of accountants, bookkeepers, tax-collectors, customs officers and security guards.

**CROWLEY
FUNERAL DIRECTORS**

Bothar Saclay, Ballincollig, Co. Cork
Tel: 021-4874777 Mobile: 087-2759254

*Complete Funeral Arrangements
24 Hour Service Embalming Service
Member I.A.F.D.*

**Golden Charter Funeral
Pre-Planning Available**

ORY
ant volunteers
Augustine's
rk.
ael,

You!

TO THE PEOPLE OF BALLINCOLLIG AND SURROUNDING DISTRICTS:

I want to say sincere thanks for the six wonderful years I spent among you. I came in the very early days of my ministry with a lot to learn and that I did. I have many very happy memories of my neighbours in Innishmore and the community in which I lived and worked. I was honoured and privileged that you shared your lives with me. As I begin my work here in Farranree Parish I want to wish you all God's blessings.

To my successor Fr. Micheal I wish all of the best.

Thanking You All.

Pat O'Donovan

**C.I.E. (STAFF)
ANNUAL PILGRIMAGE TO KNOCK**

SUNDAY, 22nd September, 2002

**COACH DEPARTS FROM BALLINCOLLIG
07.00 HOURS**

**FULL IRISH BREAKFAST
IN WEST COUNTY HOTEL
ENNIS, CO. CLARE.**

ARRIVE IN KNOCK APPROX. 12:30 P.M.

**EVENING DINNER
IN WEST COUNTY HOTEL
ENNIS, CO. CLARE**

ALL IN COST €37.00

BOOKINGS WITH:

JOHN C. HENNESSY Phone: 021 - 4506976

BETTY SHEEHAN PHONE: 021 4873759

PLEASE BOOK EARLY

URGENT APPEAL

**Your kind help and generosity to
the poor of India will be very
much appreciated.**

**Please take a look around your
home, garage, attic, and spare
room. You may find items which
are of no use to you but will be a
source of great comfort to some
poor people of India. May Jesus
and our blessed Lady guide, Bless
and protect you always,**

**Sincere good wishes, Love and
prayers,**

Thank you and God bless you,

The Wrenne Family

Tel: (021)4873676.

BALLINCOLLIG PARISH

Envelope Collection

Education Fund

Students for the Priesthood

**Next Weekend
September 21st & 22nd**

*The booking of Masses for the months of
October, November & December will
open on Saturday 14th September 2002 in
the Sacristy of both churches.*

ST. MARY & ST. JOHN	EACH SUNDAY	CHRIST OUR LIGHT
<p>Masses</p> <p>Sunday: 8.30, 10.00, 12.00</p> <p>Mon- Fri: 9.30am,</p> <p>Saturday: 10.00am, 6pm (Vigil)</p>	<p>ROSARY RECITED AT BOTH CHURCHES EACH SUNDAY 3.00P.M.</p> <p><i>Everyone most welcome</i></p>	<p>Masses</p> <p>Sunday: 11.00, 12.30, 5.30pm</p> <p>Mon-Fri: 8.30am,</p> <p>Saturday: 10.00am, 8.00pm (Vigil)</p>
<p>Confessions</p> <p>Saturday: after 10am Mass before 6pm Mass</p>	<p>MASS BOOKINGS</p> <p>THE MASS BOOK IN BOTH CHURCHES IS NOW OPEN FOR THE MONTHS OF OCTOBER, NOVEMBER AND DECEMBER 2002</p>	<p>Confessions</p> <p>Saturday: after 10am Mass</p>
<p>Baptisms</p> <p>Saturday: 5.00pm</p> <p>Sunday: 12.45pm</p>		<p>Baptisms</p> <p>Saturday: 7.15pm</p>
<p align="center">PARISH CLERGY</p> <p align="center">CHURCH NO. ☎ 087-2479140</p> <p align="center">Fr. Leonard. O'Brien P.P ☎ 021-4871206</p> <p align="center">Fr. Michael O'Mahony C.C. ☎ 021-4877161</p> <p align="center">Fr. Paul O'Donoghue ☎ 021-4876055</p> <p align="center">Fr. John O'Donovan ☎ 021-4870434</p>		

BALLINCOLLIG PLANT & TOOL HIRE

Unit 3, Enterprise Park, Innishmore, Ballincollig, Co. Cork.
Tel: 021 4873922, 087 6348807

**SALES - HIRE - SERVICE
FOR YOUR GARDENING AND
HOUSEHOLD NEEDS.**

**DOUBLE DRUM ROLLERS NOW
AVAILABLE**

Wallpaper Strippers, Heat Guns, Lawnmowers, Hedge Trimmers, Lawn Scarifiers, Brush Cutters, Garden Rollers, Garden Rotavators, Kangos, Concrete Saws, Core Drills, Power Washers, Floor Buffers, Floor Sanders, Belt Sanders, Orbital Sanders, Circular Saws, Jig Saws, Angle Grinders, Drills, Hydraulic Breakers, Cement Mixers, Plate Compactors, Porta Nailers, Ladders, Tile Cutters, Dehumidifiers, Generators, Welders.

Range of lawnmowers, self propelled and ride-on mowers, chainsaws now in stock.

For all your building, D.I.Y., Gardening and Household equipment needs contact Pat Clarke at 021-4873922 or 087-6348807

Opening Hours
8.30 a.m. - 6 p.m. Mon-Fri.
8.30 a.m. - 4 p.m. Sat.




SUTTONS OIL

HOME HEATING OIL

- Commercial
- Agricultural

Centre Park Road, Cork

Tel: 021-4911700

Fax: 021-4911701

Home Heating Budget

Payment Plan




THE VOICE OF THE LEGION OF MARY

EUROPE

GERMANY

There are Legion councils now established in Berlin for members of Croatia, Vietnam, Indonesia, the Philippines and Korea. Polish and Korean groups have been established in another city.

IRELAND

Forty-three people from various parts of French-speaking Africa attend a monthly Mass which is organised by the Legion in Dublin. A praesidium in one area runs a ladies club, staff the parish religious bookshop, do works of service for the ill and handicapped. Contact is made with immigrants at a shopping centre. Two retreats were arranged with attendances of 36 and 30 respectively. During the busy lead up to Christmas, a crib was set up in a shopping centre. Many contacts with people were made.

In Clare, 14 prayer groups are organised for Advent and Lent. The Rosary is recited at grottos of Our Lady in a number of parishes in Cork during May and October. Junior members in Tipperary organised a halfday of prayer with 90 in attendance. Evangelisation work is done monthly in Waterford in the city centre. There was a good turnout for the Rosary procession on 8th September.

NORTH AMERICA

CANADA

An apostolate to children is carried out through the teaching of the Rosary and other prayers in 23 classes with the co-operation of the teachers. Legion groups were set up in another city for Vietnamese- and Portuguese-speaking members. Sixteen families in another city had their homes consecrated to the Sacred Heart as a result of visitation of the homes.



Accommodation Required:

The YMCA is seeking accommodation, within Ballincollig, for a Norwegian volunteer who will be working with us for 40 weeks (late Sept '02 to June '03). She is 19 years old, is a non-smoker and speaks excellent English. We can pay €90 per week for her board and lodging. She will need to have her own room. For further information, please contact Helen Jary at Ballincollig YMCA, phone: 4877770 or email: ymcaballincollig@eircom.net

The Cork Association for Autism is urgently looking for volunteers to collect for their Flag Day on Thursday 24th October 2002. Help needed in all areas, in Cork City and County.

OXFAM IRELAND, 10 COOK STREET CORK
 URGENTLY REQUIRE MENS AND WOMENS CLOTHING,
 BOOKS AND BRIC A BRACK.
 PLEASE CONTACT MAGGIE ON 021-4275490.

SPECIAL DAY OF PRAYER IN KNOCK

*For the pope, the church and for our families
 which are under attack in these times*

Saturday 5th, Oct. 2002
 Day of St. Faustina of the Divine Mercy

Tel: 021 4501667

THE SUNDAY READINGS

FIRST READING: Eccles. 27:30-28:7

The Book of Ecclesiasticus was written about 130 years before Christ. The writer was a man who belonged to the scribal class and had spent all of his life in the study and teaching of Scripture. He calls on thoughtful men to ponder on his teaching and put it into practice. In today's extract the writer reflects on the importance of forgiveness in words very similar to those used by Jesus in the Lord's Prayer.

SECOND READING: Romans 14: 7-9.

It is a Christian principle of fundamental importance that we no longer live for ourselves but for the Lord who died for us and rose again. Elsewhere St. Paul writes: "I live now not with my own life but with the life of Christ who now lives in me."

GOSPEL: Matt. 18: 21-35.

In the Jewish culture seven is a round number and therefore, Peter thinks, generous. It is not generous enough for Jesus. He multiplies and multiplies the sacred number to leave the impression of limitless pardon. Our neighbour's offences against us can never compare with ours against God - and still God forgives. The lesson of the parable is that our forgiveness of neighbour is the condition of God's pardon for us. The parable is a drama in three scenes: Mercy, Cruelty, Justice, with an epilogue that identifies God the Father with the king who was first merciful but then applied severe justice to servant who refused to be merciful himself.

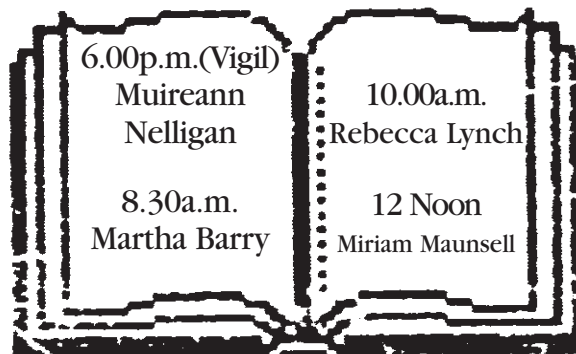
BALLINCOLLIG SECULAR FRANCISCAN ORDER

*The Monthly Meeting & Mass of the
above fraternity will be held in
St. Mary & St. John's Church on
Thursday, 12th September, at 11.00a.m.*

The Rosary will be recited at 10.40a.m. (Sharp)

*You do not need to be a member to
attend this meeting - why not come and see!*

MINISTERS OF THE WORD SEP 21ST/22ND ST. MARY & ST. JOHN



MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST

21st/22nd September 2002

ST. MARY'S & ST. JOHN'S CHURCH



SATURDAY 21ST
6p.m.

Vera Allen
Bernadette Bell
Oliver Delaney
Betty Casey
Frank Riordan
Siobhan Riordan

SUNDAY 22ND
8.30a.m.

Mary Buckley
Theresa Lucey

10a.m.

Anne Cahill
Pat Lee
May Delaney
Seamus O'Shea
John O Donovan

12.00 Noon

Joan Barrett
Sheila Carroll
Marsie Curling
Pat Keenan
Will Casey

CHRIST OUR LIGHT CHURCH

SATURDAY 21ST
8p.m.

Geraldine Lynch
Charlie Vaughan
Joan Stephenson

SUNDAY 22ND
11a.m.

Máire Uí Chruialaoí
Neil Jeffries
Eileen O'Donoghue
Mary Coleman
Dan Coleman

12.30p.m.

Con O'Connell
Denis O'Mahony
Christine O'Mahony
Tom Murray
Maura Lombard

5.30p.m.

Patsy Galvin
Bridie O'Donnell
Phil O'Connell

SAINT OF THE WEEK 9 20 - SEPTEMBER - 02

THE KOREAN MARTYRS

The first missionaries came to Korea in 1836. But for nearly half a century before that time Korea had many fervent Catholics. In a manner perhaps unique in the history of the Church, the Faith was introduced there without preaching and before any missionaries had penetrated the country.

The country was closed to the outside world. Educated people, however, managed to smuggle in books on literature and science from Peking. Some Christian books fell into their hands and they recognised the truth. In 1784 one of them travelled to Peking where he was baptised. Upon his return he baptised his companions. Seven years later two of these converts were martyred when they refused to offer pagan sacrifice. In 1794 a Chinese priest was sent to Korea. He found about 4,000 Christians there. After a few fruitful years he was arrested and put to death. He was only one of many Christians who were put to death for their beliefs throughout the nineteenth century. During the persecutions of 1839-1867 one hundred and three martyrs, mainly lay people and from all walks of life witnessed to the faith. They are remembered for their fearless witness in the face of torture and death.

Questions

“We have a new baby after several years. I would like my twelve year old daughter to act as one of the godparents. Is she too young?”

To act as sponsor or godparent, a person must be confirmed and be not less than sixteen years of age, unless the parish priest considers that there is a just reason for an exception to be made. If your daughter has received her Confirmation then in the case it would seem all right to exempt her from the rule about age.

The role of the godparent is to assist the person in coming to know the story of Jesus and to become familiar with the Church that he founded. A big sister is, perhaps, much better placed to undertake this responsibility than some aunt or cousin who may scarcely ever see the child again.

“Do I have to have two godparents for the christening?”

No. One godparent, male or female is sufficient; but there may be two, one of each sex.

“Can I ask a member of another Church to 'stand' for my child?”

Yes. A baptised person who belongs to a non-catholic church may be admitted only in company with a catholic sponsor, and then simply as a witness to the baptism.

“How soon should I have my baby baptised?”

If the infant is in danger of death, it is to be baptised without any delay. Indeed in these circumstances anyone can baptise the baby by pouring water over the head and saying at the same time: “I baptise you in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.” The Church encourages Catholic parents to have their baby baptised “within the first few weeks”.

To arrange a christening in this parish, all you have to do is call on one of the priests or 'phone one of them to make the arrangements. There are baptisms in the church of St. Mary & St. John on Saturdays at 5.00 p.m. and on Sundays at 12.45 p.m. In Christ our Light the baptisms are on Saturday night at 7.15.

“What do I need to bring along to the Baptism?”

You need to bring along three things: a candle, a white christening robe or shawl and the Birth Certificate. The priest will copy the Birth Cert. and give it back to you.

Swimming



Morning and Evening

Lessons for:

**Adults and Children,
Beginners and Improvers**

BEGINNING:-

September

**GROVE LEISURE
CENTRE**



Cork Road, Bandon. Tel : 41643

Action
on Disability

Enable Ireland

Enable Ireland is currently seeking volunteers to work in their shops. The shops provide full training, a great social atmosphere and the opportunity to gain work experience in return for a commitment of just 3 hours per week. Please drop into one of the shops for an informal chat or simply telephone for more details.

Gina in North Main Street on
4272828

or

Ann in Princes Street on 4278280



Power to Change

Training Morning Saturday, September 14, 2002, 10:00AM - 12:30PM
Church Hall, Carrigrohane
Carrigrohane Union of Parishes

The Power to Change campaign is picking up momentum with over 800 churches from all around the island (north and south) signed up to participate. When the media campaign starts for the four weeks from 23rd September to 20th October 2002 many people will be talking about it, asking for more information or exploring further. On Saturday, September 14th Carrigrohane Union will be running a Training Morning so that Christians interested in responding to the questions, stimulating further discussion or incorporating the Power To Change momentum in their events or activities may become better equipped. Through presentation and interactive discussion we hope to help you find ways to share the Power To Change with your family, friends and colleagues.

The cost of the Training Morning is 610, which covers refreshments and training materials including a training manual and CD-ROM. Capt. George Newell and Bill Lane of Carrigrohane Union, following the format given by the Power To Change campaign organisers, will conduct the Training Morning. The Training Morning is open to all churches and denominations. The Power To Change campaign is a cross-border, pan denominational effort to promote the life changing power of Jesus Christ in today's world, using today's media methods. Leaders of all the main denominations and many house churches and prayer groups endorse the campaign; for further general information see the website www.powertochange.ie.

Contacts for further information:
Capt. George Newell (021) 438-3115
Bill Lane (evenings) (021) 487-4055

Church Office
Carrigrohane Union of Parishes
tel. +353 21 4877260
<http://gofree.indigo.ie/~carrigro>

BALLINCOLLIG COMMUNITY CENTRE

6 week Yoga Course commences on
Wednesday 25th September
Time: 8pm - 9.30pm

Course fee €60, to reserve place please
contact Michael at 021 7336407

Youth 2000 Retreat

Theme: "Knock and the Door Shall be Opened"
Where?: Dominican Camp - Knockadoone, Co. Cork
When?: 20th - 22nd September
Cost: Personal Donations
All are welcome!!

For more information, contact:
Dave @ 087-6492875 or Deirdre @ 086-8969076