

# THE BALLINCOLLIG PARISHIONER

Sunday 16-April-2006



St. Mary & St. John  
Station Road

## Easter Sunday

*Today we face the greatest mystery of our faith, the mystery of how God works among us, bringing new life where before was only death. With a sense of wonder and with joy, we come today to thank God for the risen life of Jesus,*



Christ Our Light  
Innishmore

### Easter – The Resurrection

The empty tomb. This is how it all began. “He’s not here: see the place where they lay Him but go tell his disciples” Mark 16. The impossible has happened. Death has been vanquished and the powers of darkness have been overcome. Christ has risen from the dead, for our sakes. The powers of the time, both religious and secular, conspired together to crush Him to death. They thought they had succeeded. Yes He died, went down into the depths to release all those bound up and lead them to the glory of the Father. St. Paul rejoices that “As Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, we too might walk in the newness of life”.

The cross is the price of love. The resurrection is the triumph of love. That divine love transformed human nature from within. We get a glimpse of that new human nature in the way Jesus appeared to His disciples. His own disciples did not recognise the risen Lord when they first met Him. Like the two disciples on the way to Emmaus, He has to open their eyes by first touching their hearts, awakening their faith. Though He shares food with His disciples and they can touch Him, He is not confined by the restrictions of space and time. The two disciples on the road to Emmaus recognised Him in “the breaking of bread”, an allusion to the Eucharist. When He awakes faith in our hearts, we too meet the risen Lord and can be transformed from within.

Death is not the last word but resurrection and new life.

In our modern world we often assume that we should be redeemed from suffering. Rejection, suffering, pain and disappointment causes great torment and at times almost unbearable grief. Christ through his passion, death and resurrection teaches us that we can only be redeemed through suffering and death, which He has made into the path of eternal joy. This Easter as we rejoice in the Resurrection and the new life of Easter, we might keep in our thoughts and our prayers all those who are carrying heavy crosses of various colours and hues in the hope that our support may give courage and hope to all who are struggling and burdened down.

George O'Mahony

### Thought for Today

Lord Jesus, by rising from the dead, you broke the power of death and opened the way for us to a life beyond all limitations, weaknesses, failures and evil. Stretch our minds and our hearts to understand the wonder of what we celebrate and fill us with the hope of risen life in the new creation.

### PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL

#### Priest

We have heard the testimony of the Apostles that Jesus has risen from death to life. Let us pray that his resurrection may bring new life to the world.

#### Reader

We pray for Pope Benedict, the Bishops, Priests and for all who have roles of leadership in the Church, that they may be confirmed in their faith.

**Lord, Hear us,**

**Lord, graciously hear us.**

For the newly Baptised; that they may be faithful to Christ.

**Lord, Hear us,**

**Lord, graciously hear us.**

We pray for all who are on holidays. We remember also those who are travelling this Easter; that they may arrive safely.

**Lord, Hear us,**

**Lord, graciously hear us.**

For all who are returning to Christ in repentance at this Easter time: for the courage to live a new life.

**Lord, Hear us,**

**Lord, graciously hear us.**

We pray for those who are sick or in recovery: that they may be helped and consoled.

**Lord, Hear us,**

**Lord, graciously hear us.**

For those whom we have known and who have followed Jesus into death, that they may share with Him in Resurrection.

**Lord, Hear us,**

**Lord, graciously hear us.**

#### Priest

Lord Jesus, by your death and resurrection, you gave faith to your friends who did not understand the scripture. Give such faith to your Church that we may be renewed in hope.

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**BEST WISHES FOR A HAPPY EASTER**  
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*The priests of the parish join in sending their Easter greetings to all members of the parish and to all readers of Ballincollig Parishioner.*  
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*George O'Mahony, John O'Donovan, Michael O'Mahony & Paul O'Donoghue*  
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***This day was made by the Lord; we rejoice and are glad.***

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**BAPTISMS**

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

Jane Catherine Carmody, West Village.  
Grace Margaret Collette Murphy, Limeworth.  
Heather Ann Mischke, Aylsbury Court.

**MARRIAGES**

**CONGRATULATIONS TO:**

Donal Patrick Guerin, Muskerry Estate & Josephine Anna Buckley, Classes Lake.

**† IN SYMPATHY †**

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

Catherine Hogan R.I.P., Rathcormac.  
Tom O'Donoghue R.I.P., Inniscarra View.  
Mourned by his wife Helen.  
Denis Slyne R.I.P., Model Farm Road.  
Mourned by his sister Phillis Coakley, Sunningdale.

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

John & Bridget Lee, Inniscarra.  
Daniel & Johanna O'Connell.  
Michael O'Connell.  
Sean & Geraldine Daly, Coolroe.  
John, Catherine & deceased members of Harte family, Clonakilty.  
Maurice & Laura Lynch, Douglas.  
Michael O'Regan, Shamrock Drive & Ovens.  
William Mary O'Sullivan.  
Tom & Catherine Holmes.  
Billy Holmes, Kerry Pike.  
Chrissy & Paddy Twomey, Main Street.  
Kathleen Barrett, Beech Park.  
Breda Healy, Waterfall.  
Sean O'Leary, Dublin Hill.  
Sr. Gemma O'Dwyer, Willow Drive, Muskerry Estate.  
Mary & James O'Connell, Ballycurren.  
Lena Dennehy, Castle View.  
The O'Leary & O'Connell Families, Sunningdale & Cloghroe.  
Denise Wong, Kilkenny.  
Ellen Cronin, Mary Street.  
Tim Lucey, Industry Place.  
Julia O'Callaghan, Leemount.  
Thomas O'Connell, Pouladuff Road.  
Marie & Tim Corcoran, Blackpool.  
Tom O'Leary, Maglin Vale.  
Margaret Kavanagh, East Gate.  
John & Bridget Lee, Inniscarra.  
Eileen Moore, Dublin.  
Jim Burke, Glanworth.  
Margaret & Patrick Kenneally, Curraheen.  
Helen Kenneally, Beech Park.  
Rose O'Shea, Scotch Farm.

**READINGS FOR THE WEEK**

**The Easter Octave**

16 Sunday Acts 10:34,37-43. Ps. 117. Col. 3:1-4 or 1 Cor. 5:6-9. In. 20:1-9. Lect I: 417  
17 Monday Acts 2:14, 22-33. Ps. 15. Mt. 28:8-15. Lect I: 423  
18 Tuesday Acts 2:36-41. Ps. 32. In. 20:11-18 Lect I: 425  
19 Wednesday Acts 3:1-10. Ps. 104. Lk. 24:13-35. Lect I: 427  
20 Thursday Acts 3: 11-26. Ps. 8. Lk. 24:35-48. Lect I: 430  
21 Friday Acts 4: 1-12. Ps. 117. Jn. 21: 1-14. Lect I: 432  
22 Saturday Acts 4: 13-21. Ps. 117. Mk. 16:9-15. Lect I: 435

**Next Sunday's Readings 23-April-2006**  
Acts 4:32-35. Ps 117. 1 Jn 5:1-6. Jn 20:19-31. Lect I: 441

**TROCAIRE**

This week we have the opportunity to bring our Trocaire boxes back to the church. This is our opportunity to take the Easter message of joy and hope and spread it to all the parts of the world. By doing this we are showing solidarity with our neighbours all across the globe and spreading the real message of Christ, which will result in resurrection for these communities at this Easter time.

**Please return your Trocaire Boxes as soon as possible. Your support is much appreciated**

**Society of St. Vincent de Paul,  
Station Road, Ballincollig.  
Tel: 021-4874626**

We would like to appeal to the community to donate good quality clothes and bric-a-brac to our charity shop. During recent times there has been an influx of door-to-door collections, which have greatly affected our Charity Shop. In supporting your local Charity shop you are supporting your community

***Death has no power over him***

The certainty of death hangs over every human life. In every human heart lies the fundamental question about what life means and where it leads. Today we celebrate our faith that God's eternal Son has died, as we must do, to show us that death with him is the gateway to a world in which our deepest questions are answered and our deepest longings fulfilled.

**CROWLEY  
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***Envelope Collection***

An envelope collection will be held in Ballincollig Parish for the Irish Bishops Commissions on the weekend of 22<sup>nd</sup> and 23<sup>rd</sup> April 2006.

**THE SUNDAY READINGS**

First Reading: Acts 10: 34, 37-43.  
 At a time when racism is one of the topics of discussion it is important to note the teaching of the Apostles. God chooses his elect no matter what their nationality. The whole tenor of St. Peter's speech shows that the Gentiles were included in the command of Jesus to preach to the whole world. Salvation is not a matter of race. Faith in Jesus is alone required.

Second Reading: Colossians 3: 1-4.  
 At Baptism Christians have died a mystical death when they went down into the cleansing waters, but they died only to be raised to a new life in Christ. This is more understandable when speaking of adult baptism. The adult who accepts baptism into Christianity dies to his old pagan way of life and comes out of the water a new person. To live a new life means to think, to love, to act in a new way.

Gospel: John 20: 1-9  
 One of the proofs of the Resurrection is the fact of the empty tomb. First Mary Magdalen, then Peter and John discover that there is no body in the tomb. The details show that body snatchers had not been at work. They would have never carefully divested the body of its linen bands before taking it away. The bandages were not in a confused heap, but were lying on the ledge. And the napkin that had been over his head was lying apart and carefully rolled up. John perceived the truth at once.

***Easter Collection For Priests Of The Parish***

According to the Diocesan custom, the collection at Easter Sunday Masses is one of the two occasions during the year when the offertory collection goes to the priests of the Parish.

***Race Night***

In aid of Irish guide dogs for the blind  
 Oriel House Hotel Ballincollig  
 Cork (Leslie Suite)  
 On Wednesday April 26th at 8 pm  
 10 Races including an auction Race  
 Raffle with lots of prizes  
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***Cork Marriage Counselling Centre  
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A professionally presented seminar for individuals and couples who would like to learn what psychological research suggests is good for the emotional and spiritual well-being of marriage.

Saturday May 6<sup>th</sup> from 9.00 am – 1.00 pm  
 Professional Staff at the Cork Marriage Counselling Centre  
 CMCC, 34, Paul Street, Cork.  
 Contact 021 4275678 to register and for further details

***AL-ANON***

Are you concerned about someone else's drinking?  
 You are not alone.  
 Help is available at the Al-Anon family group  
**Thursday nights at 8.30 pm**  
 Upstairs at St. Vincent DePaul Room,  
 Ballincollig Community Hall, Station Road.

***Palm Sunday***

Many thanks to all who were involved in the Procession of Palms in St. Mary & St. John and Christ Our Light on Palm Sunday. This greatly enhanced the Liturgy.

***Penitential Service***

Thanks to everybody who came to take part in the Penitential Service and stayed until the final blessing. Many have mentioned the moving experience that the Penitential Service was for them. Sincere thanks to all those who, weeks ago, started to plan for this Penitential Service and worked hard since to put all the different parts together. May the Lord reward their generosity and work.

***Tops of the Parish***

Ballincollig Tops of the Parish  
 will take place on 4<sup>th</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> May  
**Venue:** The Community Hall, Station Road, Ballincollig.  
**Time:** 8.00 pm  
 Various groups from schools and community are taking part.

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***Society of St. Vincent De Paul***

Re: Cork Vincentian – Available this Easter  
 The Spring Edition of the SVP Cork Regional Newsletter:  
 The back page contains the  
**CORK & ROSS DIOCESAN FOLDER**  
 by Fr. Tom Hayes

***Muskerry Local History Society  
 April Event***

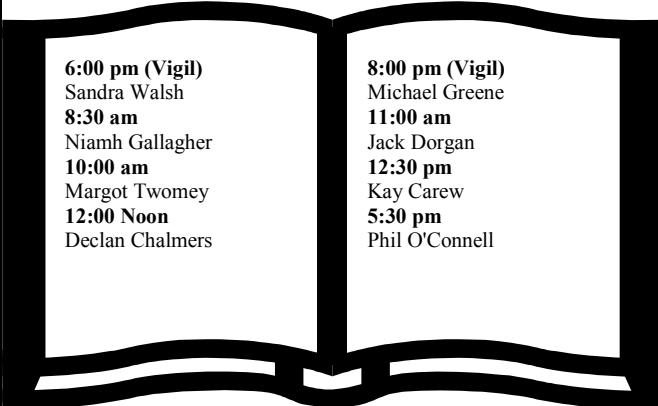
**Field Trip:** To Cork Public Museum and its new extension within Fitzgerald's Park  
**Speaker:** Our host, assistant curator Mr. Dan Breen will give us a guided tour and brief talk on Museum and its role in preserving our ancient heritage and history.  
**Venue:** Please meet at main entrance to the Museum.  
**Date & Time:** April 8<sup>th</sup> at 7:50 pm Sharp

***This is the day the Lord has made;  
 let us rejoice and be glad.***

**MINISTERS OF THE WORD**

Apr-22 & Apr-23-2006

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



**6:00 pm (Vigil)**  
Sandra Walsh  
**8:30 am**  
Niamh Gallagher  
**10:00 am**  
Margot Twomey  
**12:00 Noon**  
Declan Chalmers

**8:00 pm (Vigil)**  
Michael Greene  
**11:00 am**  
Jack Dorgan  
**12:30 pm**  
Kay Carew  
**5:30 pm**  
Phil O'Connell



**MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST**

Apr-22 & Apr-23-2006

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

6.00 pm	Steve Wills Margaret O'Sullivan Rita Aherne Rose Doyle Jim Walsh Frances O'Brien	8:00 pm	Anne O'Regan Mairead Healy Murphy Finbarr Murray
8:30 am	Mary Buckley Rita Murphy Mary O'Keefe	11:00 am	Seamus O'Connell Mary O'Connell Alan O'Riordan Geraldine Keohane
10:00 am	Christina Walsh Peter Reilly Mary Collins Christy Roche Katie O'Shea Claire Creedon	12:30 pm	Lucy O'Callaghan Jackie Sheehan Mary Green Michael O'Leary
12 Noon	Oliver O'Donovan Barbara Kelly John Jeffers Mary McLean Ellen Seymour Nora Hennessy	5:30 pm	Noelle Buckley Mary Breen Siobhan Burke

**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	<b>Monday</b>	8:30 am
9:30 am	<b>Tuesday</b>	8:30 am
9:30 am	<b>Wednesday</b>	8:30 am
9:30 am	<b>Thursday</b>	8:30 am
9:30 am	<b>Friday</b>	8:30 am
10:00 am & 6 pm (Vigil)	<b>Saturday</b>	9:00 am & 8 pm (Vigil)

**CONFESSIONS**

After 10:00 am Mass & before 6:00 pm Mass      **Saturday**      After 9:00 am Mass

**BAPTISMS**

5:00 pm      **Saturday**      7:15 pm  
12:45 pm      **Sunday**

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<b>Monday</b>	<b>Closed</b>
Tuesday	9.30 – 5.00 pm
Wednesday	10.30 – 5.00 pm
Thursday	9.30 – 5.00 pm
<b>Friday</b>	<b>9.30 – 5.00 pm</b>
Saturday	9.30 – 12.30 pm

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