

THE BALLINCOLLIG PARISHIONER



St. Mary & St. John
Station Road

Sunday 18-November-2007

Thirty Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

As we come towards the end of the Church's Year we are reminded of the end of all time. Before it comes there will be time of trial: for the believer who endures in faith the end will not bring condemnation but healing and life.



Christ Our Light
Innishmore

Modern Day Temples

The Gospel this Sunday (they were talking about the Temple) is very much focused on the quality of the stonework and the other features of the Temple. During the past weekend there was quite a lot of talking going on in the churches (modern day temples) in Ballincollig. The talk had little to do with bricks and mortar but the living bricks and mortar that will build the people of God (the Church) in the decades ahead.

The display in both churches gives some glimpse of the varied contribution that many people are making to the life of the Christian community. The displays give lots of information to parishioners on the many ways that people are involved in the life of the parish. It is important that we try to let one another know what is going on in our parish. The displays are also a recognition of the time, talents and work being done by many in our parish community.

It is great and important to salute and recognise the efforts of others. However another aspect of this display is to remind each of us of the call we received at Baptism. Christ called the Fishermen and the Tax collectors to come and follow Him and build His kingdom of Justice, Love and Forgiveness. He gave hope and life to them and invited them to go and bring that hope to others. We are called by Christ to be members of his family, indeed active members who are striving to continually build his kingdom. The Lord invites us to be a people of prayer, to be Christ like and also a people of action. It is in our hands, may the Lord bless us with the faith and generosity to answer His call.

George O'Mahony

Parish Pastoral Council

For those who are interested in serving on the Parish Pastoral Council. An open night will be held in the Annex Parish Hall at 8.00 pm Tuesday the 27th November 2007. All members and prospective members are welcome.

Talk by Fr. Sean O'Sullivan

Tuesday 20th November Time: 8.00 pm
In The Annex to the Community Centre.

The new Church year will begin on the First Sunday of Advent (2nd December). The Sunday gospel readings throughout the year will be those of Year A, which is the Year of Matthew. Fr. Sean's talk will be centered on the background and composition of Matthew's gospel.

All are welcome

Reflection for Parents

Today's Gospel makes it clear that we should persevere in our faith and be faithful disciples. We are most responsible for evangelising our own children. There is an expression, "Faith is caught, not taught." How do our children see us live out our faith? How do we witness the greatness of God's love and our personal response to that love? Share with your children what it means for you to walk with Jesus.

PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL

Priest

The Lord is at our side to support us, and so we present our prayers with confidence.

Reader

For all Christians, that they may live with watchfulness and hope.

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

For all who serve in the Church as teachers of the faith, that they may continue to proclaim the Good News of Jesus with courage and perseverance.

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

For all who live in fear of death, that they may be consoled and encouraged by the Word of God.

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

For all who are in prison or in places of detention, that their dignity may be respected and their rights upheld.

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

For those who suffer in mind, body or spirit, that they may be sustained by God's powerful presence in their lives.

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

For the needs of this community and the needs of all here present.

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

Priest

Loving God, you support us all our days. Hear the prayers we make this day in the name of Jesus, your Son, who is Lord forever and ever.
Amen.

The Lord comes to rule the peoples with fairness.

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BAPTISMS

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

Fionn Patricia Morrissey, 96 Caislean Grove.
 Matthew John Thompson, Ballinhassig.
 Adrienne Carroll, Clash Road, Carrigrohane.
 Quencaly Gomes, 27 Innishmore Drive.
 Rilwan Eleke, 20 Innishmore Drive.
 Satar Abbey Eleke, 20 Innishmore Drive.
 Abdulwahab Olajimika Eleke, 20 Innishmore Drive.
 Azeez Olarowajic Eleke, 20 Innishmore Drive.
 Fergal Anthony Gillespie, 61 Caislean Drive.

† **IN SYMPATHY** †

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

Elis Cooper, New Hampshire U.S.A.

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

William Murphy, Kilmichael
 Billy Murphy, Donegal.
 Deceased members Greene & O'Mahony families.
 Jimmy Kavanagh, Powdermills.
 Fr. Gerard Kelleher.
 Eileen & Thomas Egan, Evergreen Road.
 Kevin Ryan, Westcourt
 Maureen Hand.
 Eileen O'Flynn, Lyras, Aherla.
 Mary Collins, Ballinspittle, Kinsale.
 Mary Murphy, Hazel Grove.
 Michael Hallahan, Greenfield.
 David Spillane, Magazine Road.
 Joan & Michael Hennigan, Inniscarra.
 Deceased members of the Ring Family, Blarney.
 John Ring, Australia & Dungourney.
 Angelis Leahy, Blackrock.
 William Vaughan, Kilnamartyra.
 Con Jeffries, Blarney St.
 Sylvester Cotter, Poulavone
 Deceased members of the Reilly and Hanney Families.
 Denis O'Mahony, Douglas.
 Edwin McDermot, Poulavone.
 Mary Kelleher, Castleknock.
 Patrick & Eileen Nolan, Carlow.
 Rita Kinsella, Carrigrohane.
 Bridget Forde, Model Farm Road.
 Jim & Nora O'Callaghan, Poulavone.
 Mary Dineen, Shandon View.
 Patrick Power, Waterford.
 Margaret Pinfield, Blarney.

Muskerry Local History Society

November Lecture

Subject: "The Boys of Kilmichael".

The story of 'The Kilmichael Ambush' and the engagement between Tom Barry's Flying Column and the Auxiliaries on 28th November 1920, as told by the son of a volunteer.

Speaker: Sean Kelleher, Runai Commemoration Committee

Venue: Ballincollig Rugby Club Function Hall

Date & Time: Tuesday 20th November @ 8pm

Admission : €2.00 for non members

Everyone most welcome.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Thirty Third Week In Ordinary Time

18 Sunday Mal. 3:19-20. Ps. 97. 2 Thess. 3:7-12. Lk. 21:5-19. Lect I: 934

19 Monday 1 Mac. 1: 10-15, 41-43, 54-57, 62-64. Ps. 118. Lk.18:35-43.
 Lect II: 425

20 Tuesday 2 Mac. 6: 18-31. Ps. 3. Lk.19: 1-10. Lect II: 427

21 Wednesday Zech 2:1417. Ps Lk 1:46-55. Mt 12:46-50. Lect II: 1271

22 Thursday 1 Mac. 2:15-29. Ps. 49. Lk. 19:41-44. Lect II: 433

23 Friday 1 Mac. 4:36-37, 52-59. Ps. I Chr. 29. Lk. 19:45- 48. Lect. II: 435

24 Saturday 1 Mac. 6:1-13. Ps. 9. Lk. 20:27-40. Lect II: 437

Next Sunday's Readings 25-November-2007

2 Sam. 5:1-3. Ps. 121. Col. 1:12-20. Lk. 23:35-43. Lect I: 936

South Presentation Convent

Past Pupils Union

42nd Annual Dinner

Ambassador Hotel

Friday November 30th 2007

Tickets available - O'Mahony Printers, Parliament Street

Or by phone at 4876577

Christmas Open House 2007

at

DJ MURPHY'S

Bride Park Cottage, Killumney, Ovens, Co. Cork

Thursday 22nd November 6 pm – 10 pm

Friday 23rd November 6 pm – 10 pm

Saturday 24th November 12 noon – 8 pm

Sunday 25th November 12 noon – 8 pm

Thursday 29th November 6 pm – 10 pm

Friday 30th November 6 pm – 10 pm

Saturday 1st December 12 noon – 8 pm

Sunday 2nd December 12 noon – 8 pm

In aid of Marymount Hospice

& Our Lady Of Good Counsel School Ballincollig

Admission €10

Refreshments will be served

Any Queries please contact 023-42260

The Emmaus Men's Fellowship

Present Monsignor Michael Stewart who will speak at our annual conference, for men and women, on the Theme "See I Make All Things New", at the Sacred Heart Community Hall, Western Road, on Saturday 24th & Sunday 25th November. Programme will commence at 10.30 am and end 5.30 pm each day.

There will be a Healing Service on Saturday afternoon and Mass with healing Service on Sunday afternoon.

Further information, Contact Declan 021-4872828

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THE SUNDAY READINGS

First Reading: Mal. 3:19-20

The Day of the Lord is the day when Christ returns in glory. For us who believe, it will be a day of justice and vindication; we are not afraid.

Second Reading: 2 Thess 3:7-12

Even though this life does not last forever, that does not mean we avoid doing our duty. We work as we should, doing the will of God.

Gospel: Luke 21:5-19

It is clear from this passage in Luke's Gospel that when the world ends, some terrifying events will occur. The clear message, however, is that we should not face these events with apprehension, but rather with trust-trust that God wants us to have everlasting life with him. Instead of being afraid, we are called to find strength and courage in God's love and persevere in our faith.

Bulletin Board

Advent Retreat

Ballincollig Advent Retreat in Church of St. Mary & St. John 3rd, 4th & 5th December 2007. Retreat will be conducted by the Redemptorists.

Catholic Paper

Copies of the Catholic Paper - **The Universe** - are available in both Churches every week.

Envelope Collection

Cork Marriage Counselling Service Envelope Collection this weekend November 17th & 18th at all Masses.

Ordination

Billy O'Sullivan formerly of Raheen, Ballincollig will be ordained a priest for the diocese of Cork and Ross on Saturday November 24th at the Church of Our Lady & St. John, Carrigaline. The ceremony will commence at 11.30 am and Billy will be ordained by Bishop Buckley.

Billy will celebrate his first Mass on Sunday November 25th in St. Mary and St John's Church at 3:00 pm. This promises to be a very special occasion. It is some years since a Ballincollig parishioner was ordained to the priesthood.

Fr. George

Society of St. Vincent De Paul

We are urgently seeking collectors to assist with our Church gate collections at St. Mary & St. John's, Christ Our Light and Ballinora Churches at each Mass on the first Saturday / Sunday of the month. If you are willing to help us please phone Grace at 4874626.

The Irish Heart Foundation

The Over 60's Show featuring past winners will take place at the Cork Opera House
On Sunday November 25th at 8.00 p.m.
Proceeds to the Irish Heart Foundation
Tickets: €15, €18 and €20

**Scoil Eoin & Scoil Mhuire
Enrolment Week for 2008 & 2009
19th - 23rd of November 2007**

Open Afternoon in both schools on Wednesday November 21st
Scoil Eoin 021 4871321 & Scoil Mhuire 021 4870809

**Scoil Barra Enrolment Week
19th - 23rd of November 2007**

Any parents wishing to enrol their child in Scoil Barra for the school year 2008 - 2009 are invited to complete an Application for Admission Form available each day from 9.00 am to 3.00 pm. during Enrolment Week. Applications will be processed in accordance with Scoil Barra's Enrolment / Admission Policy. Please note that in line with this Policy all applications for admission must be received at the school on or before Friday 23rd of November 2007. In addition to Enrolment Week, parents are welcome to enrol their child at any other time before this date. Children who wish to be enrolled in Scoil Barra as Junior Infants in September 2008 must be at least 4 years of age on / before 31st of May 2008.

**Donal O'Sullivan (Principal)
Scoil Barra, Innishmore, Ballincollig, Co. Cork.
Tel. (021) 4873459**

**Cork Marriage Counselling Centre
Cork and Ross Family Centre,
34 Paul Street, Cork.**

Tel: 021 4275678

- Pre Marriage Courses run every weekend, April, May and June 2008. Book early if possible. Contact the centre on 021 4272277.
- Have your marriage health-checked – remember a good relationship is worth taking care of. To make an appointment phone 021 4275678.
- Parents in Marital Breakdown – an evening course with information for parents as to how to help your children through the experience of relationship breakdown. Wednesday 5th December 2007 – 6:30 pm to 9:30 pm. To book a place phone 021 4275678.
- Parenting Teenagers – an evening course with guidelines for dealing with troublesome teenagers. Wednesday 8th January 2008 – 6:30 pm to 9:30 pm. To book a place phone 021 4275678.
- Marriage – the Early Years. A course for couples married in the last five years. This course discusses issues that may arise in the early stages of marriage and ways to minimise their effects. Sunday 20th January 2008 – 10 am to 1 pm. To book a place phone 021 4275678.

Scout News.

Last Saturday saw both Macoimh packs go to Bishopstown Scout centre for an Orienting day. The County team had set out a course in the grounds of what used to be Murphy's farm. The Macoimh were split between groups and along with a leader set out. They had to go point to point which was marked on the map which they were supplied with, when they got to a point marked on the map they had to punch a mark on their card with a marker provided, Orienteering is a sport in which the team is marked in time, which most of our teams forget, as they ambled around Murphy's farm. They all had a great time and are looking forward to the next activity. The Scouts mean while were away in Mount Melleray where the P. ls/Apls were been trained to become better leaders, some of the sessions included the importance of uniform, the badge system, pioneering, court of honour and the patrol system. We look forward to seeing them put their new knowledge into practice. Our group are now in the throws of organising our yearly Bazaar, which this year is 21 years old and will be something special, we will be on about it every week between now and when it happens so nobody will forget about it. *Whoever said "where there's smoke there's fire" never lit a fire in camp....*

MINISTERS OF THE WORD

Nov-24 & Nov-25-2007

St. Mary & St. John Christ Our Light

6:00 pm (Vigil)
Aine Sheehan
Mark Prendergast
8:30 am
Susan Fennell
10:00 am
Sinead O'Connor
Eileen O'Connell
12:00 Noon
Miriam Maunsell
Evan Smith

8:00 pm (Vigil)
Fiona Feely
11:00 am
Chide Ebili
Karen Flavin
12:30 pm
Lia Breathnach
Cathy Naughton
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	8 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

Priest on Duty 087-2479140
Fr. George O'Mahony P.P. 021-4871206
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

Nov-24 & Nov-25-2007

St. Mary & St. John Christ Our Light

6.00 pm Eileen Murphy
Ted Nelligan
Angela Murphy
Ann O'Connell
Sheila Walshe
Rita Hodge

8:00 pm John O'Donoghue
Mary Dineen
Kathleen Daly
Mairead Keenan

11:00 am Mary O'Mahony
Mona Bowen
Billy Barry
Mary Aylward
Pauline Baston

8:30 am Helen Kelly
Breeda Feehily
Mary O'Connor

10:00 am Miriam Maunsell
Mary Buckley
Breda Ring
Mary O'Regan
John Henchy
Martin O'Leary

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

12 Noon Joy Daly
Pat Kelleher
Theresa O'Donovan
Ellen O'Sullivan
Ursula McAuliffe
Sally Crowley

5:30 pm Garreth Irish
Shelia Curran
Elizabeth O'Sullivan



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Friday	9.30 - 5.00 pm
Saturday	9.30 - 12.30 pm

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