

THE BALLINCOLLIG PARISHIONER



St. Mary & St. John
Station Road

Sunday 18-September-2005

Twenty Fifth Sunday In Ordinary Time

Our human horizons are so limited! So often we calculate the cost of our generosity – giving only to the DESERVING – afraid that our 'goodness' may be wasted. Our God is not limited. He takes the risk of his love being wasted and it is only because of such love that we can have hope.



Christ Our Light
Innishmore

Education of Students for Priesthood

A Special Collection will be taken up at all masses on Sunday the 25th of September for the Priesthood Education Fund.

The Priesthood Education Fund meets the cost of educating students for the Priesthood and on-going formation for priests. There has also been a long tradition in the Church of priests specialising in certain areas e.g. Theology, Scripture, Church Law, for which they need further studies. At present there are three priests studying abroad.

Last year's contribution towards the education fund amounted to €83,000.00. Each year we also receive donations and bequests. Last year they amounted to €25,000.00.

Even though we have fewer students for the Priesthood than in former years, you may think that the collection does not need great support. In fact, the demand on the funds are growing. The average cost of having a student in Maynooth last year was €19,000.00. That includes residential accommodation, tuition and formation. We had five students in Maynooth last year. A subsidy from the Saint Joseph's Young Priest Society of €3,000.00 per student is most appreciated and this reduces the over all cost to the Diocese.

We are delighted that we have one Seminarian this year who has started his studies in Maynooth. However, the decline in Vocations is one of the urgent challenges facing the Church in Ireland at this time. Priests and people in parishes throughout Cork and Ross are experiencing this reality at present. I am asking you to continue prayer for vocations at Mass, in prayer groups, during Eucharistic devotion and I ask you all to encourage the people to pray for this intention in their homes. Christ continues to call people, to make them his friends and to challenge them to give themselves completely for the sake of the Kingdom.

I wish to thank you in anticipation of your continued generosity to this Special Collection.

With prayerful best wishes to you and all in your care.

I remain,

+ John Buckley

+John Buckley,
Bishop of Cork & Ross

Reflection for Parents

How many times a day do our children point out that someone got more than they did? Enough, I'm sure, for us to know that today's Gospel illustrates a human response! But our human ways are not God's ways. God's generosity is sometimes beyond our understanding. But imagine what a world it would be if we rejoiced in generosity and good fortune of others.

PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL

Priest

We believe in the goodness of God and so we bring our petitions before him:

Reader

That all Christians may show, by the way they live, that they belong to the family of a good and generous God, we pray.

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

That all who find life's burdens oppressive may be encouraged and helped on the journey, we pray.

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

That all workplaces may be places of justice and care, where no one is exploited for commercial or political gain, we pray.

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

That those who come from other nations to live and work among us may be welcomed into our communities, we pray.

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

For all the children of our community, that they may grow in strength and wisdom.

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

That all who have gone before us on the journey of life may be welcomed into their heavenly home. We pray.

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

Priest

Loving God, we confidently present these prayers to you in the name of Jesus, your Son, who is Lord for ever and ever.

Amen.

The Lord is close to all who call him.

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BAPTISMS

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

Ave Kiely-Smith, 32 The Elms.
Barry Dermot Patrick Keane, 49 Daffodil Fields.

MARRIAGES

CONGRATULATIONS TO:

John Gabriel Mary O’Sullivan, Oldcourt, Greenfields & Christine Jennifer Fitzgerald, Oldcourt, Greenfields.
Arthur John Moynihan, Rathbeg, Rathmore & Mirian Antoinette McDonnell, Muskerry Estate.
Ciaran Daniel Deasy, Carrigdena & Imogen Margaret Ryan, Ballyshoneen, Waterfall.
John Ahern, Fivemilebridge, Ballinhassig & Mairead Considine, Westcourt Heights.
Jonathan Cotter, Noonan Road, The Lough & Mairead O’Sullivan, Leo Murphy Tce.
John Corry, Tulla Road, Ennis & Nuala Hegarty, Westcourt.
Finbarr O’Neill, Station House & Patricia A Reyes, Deerfarn, Friars Walk
Eric Denis O’Driscoll, Kinvara Park, Dublin Hill & Sinead Aine Walsh, Kinvara Park, Dublin Hill
Olan Oliver Haskett, The Glenties, Macroom & Juliana Stan, Dysert Grove, Youghal.
Martin Thomas Kevin Power, Manor Ave., Ovens & Elaine O’Donnell Keenan, Aylsbury Lawn.
Colin John Linehan, Oldcourt, Greenfields & Vixtoia Louise Keating, Oldcourt, Greenfields.
James Timothy Daly, Knockbrogan Tce. & Katherine Anne O’Herlihy, Maple Lawn, Muskerry Estate.
Nicholas Patrick O’Keefe, Marieville, Togher & Grainne Mairead Lynch, Ballyshoneen, Waterfall.
Conor Gerard McGrath, Kingshall, Chapelizod & Eithna Mairin Spillane, Willow Drive, Muskerry Estate.
Colin Michael Buckley, Stoney Acre, Flynn’s Cross & Jennifer Ann McSwiney, Stoney Acre, Flynn’s Cross.
Paula Whelan, Elm Lawn & Jay Connors, Thurles, Co Tipperary.

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

Denis Callanan, Church View.
John Kiely, Ovens.
William & Julia Burke, Vicarstown.
Anthony Brennan, Kilkenny.
Dan McAuliffe, Whitechurch.
Nuala Delaney, Whitethorn Avenue.
The Lucey Family, Inchigeela.
Christine Coady, Rosewood.
Kate & Patrick Cosgrove, Galway.
Michael Bobby Linehan, Inniscarra.
Letitia Brady, Muskerry Estate.
Daniel & Ita Murphy, Turners Cross.
Pat O’Connell, Victoria Cross.
Mary O’Regan, Carriganarra.
Deceased members of the McGrath & McCarthy Families.
Daniel Burke, Whitechurch.
Rita Lynch, Beech Park.
Cecelia Pauline Leahy, 12 Leeview, Carrigrohane.
Mary Hall, Bishopstown.
William & Christine O’Sullivan.
Frank & Margaret Whelan.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Twenty Fifth Week In Ordinary Time

18 Sunday Is. 55:6-9. Ps. 144. Phil. 1:20-24, 27. Mt. 20: 1-16. Lect 1: 702
19 Monday Ezra 1:1-6. Ps. 125. Lk. 8:16-18. Lect II: 325
20 Tuesday Ezra 6:7-8.12.14-20 Ps 121 Lk 8:19-21 Lect II: 327
21 Wednesday Eph. 4:1-7. Ps. 18. Mt. 9:9-13. Lect II: 1198
22 Thursday Hag. 1:1-8. Ps. 149. Lk. 9:7-9. Lect II:331
23 Friday Hag. 1:15-2:9. Ps. 42. Lk. 9:18-22. Lect II: 333
24 Saturday Zech. 2:5-9, 14-15. Ps. Jer. 3:10-13. Lk. 9:43-45. Lect II: 335

Next Sunday’s Readings 25-September-2005
Ez. 18:25-28. Ps. 24. Phil. 2: 1-11. Mt. 21:28-32. Lect I: 705

Ballincollig Parish Pastoral Council

The next meeting of the council will be held in the Annex Room, Community Centre on Monday September 19th at 7.45 pm



The Irish Blood Transfusion Service Will Hold A Blood Donor Clinic In The GAA Pavilion Ballincollig On

Monday 19th September 2005
Tuesday 20th September 2005
Wednesday 21st September 2005
Thursday 22nd September 2005
From 3:00 – 5:00 & 7:00 – 9:00 pm

Children’s Mass

The children’s Mass at 11 am in Christ Our Light church has resumed. During the readings the children are invited to the crying room where parents present the Readings of the Mass to them in a way that children can understand and apply to their lives. Parents are invited to please come along and support the work being done. Parents are also welcome to come along and observe the children working with the word searches, quizzes and painting in the crying room.

Envelope Collection

Education of Students for Priesthood
Next Weekend 25th & 26th September 2005

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THE SUNDAY READINGS

First Reading: Isaiah 55:6-9
 God's wisdom and goodness are beyond our understanding.

Second Reading: Philippians 1:20-24, 27
 St Paul tries to put in words what Christ means to him.

Gospel: Matthew 20:1-16.
 The vineyard owner hired five groups of labourers. Each subsequent group began work later in the day. When the owner hired the first group, they agreed on a fair wage. At the end of the day, he called in the workers and began paying them, the last ones first. Of course, the early morning crew saw the later ones getting a full day's wage and excitedly anticipated a bonus for themselves. When they were paid, they received only the negotiated amount. "It's not fair!" was their cry.



SAINT OF THE WEEK

Padre Pio 23-September-2005

Francesco Forgione was born to a southern Italian farm family, the son of Grazio, a shepherd. At age 15 he entered the novitiate of the Capuchin Friars in Morcone, and joined the order at age of 19. Suffered several health problems, and at one point his family thought he had tuberculosis. He was ordained priest at the age of 22 on 10th August 1910.

While praying before a cross, he received the stigmata on 20th September 1918, the first priest ever to be so blessed. As word spread, especially after American soldiers brought home stories of Padre Pio following the Second World War, the priest himself became a point of pilgrimage for both the pious and the curious. He would hear confessions by the hour, reportedly able to read the consciences of those who held back. Reportedly able to bi-locate, levitate, and heal by touch. He founded the House for the Relief of Suffering in 1956, a hospital that serves 60,000 a year. In the 1920's he started; a series of prayer groups that continue today with over 400,000 members worldwide. He died 23rd September 1968 of natural causes "The life and mission of Padre Pio prove that difficulties and sorrows, if accepted out of love, are transformed into a privileged way of holiness, which opens onto the horizons of a greater good, known only to the Lord.

The ultimate reason for the apostolic effectiveness of Padre Pio, the profound root of so much spiritual fruitfulness can be found in that intimate and constant union with God attested to by his long hours spent in prayer and in the confessional. He loved to repeat; 'I am a poor Franciscan who prays' convinced that "prayer is the best weapon we have, a key that opens the heart of God ". This fundamental characteristic of his spirituality continues in the 'Prayer Group's' that he founded, which offer to the Church and to society the wonderful contribution of incessant and confident prayer." Pope John Paul II

Mass Book

The Mass diary in both churches is now open to book Mass intentions for the Months of October, November and December 2005

Male and Female volunteers wanted!!

- ISPCC are currently recruiting volunteers for our activity based mentoring programme.
- Activities include anything from guitar lessons to soccer training.
- This is a fun, flexible opportunity to support young people in Cork and share your interests.
 - Training provided
- For further information please contact 021 4962949

Mini Marathon in aid of Cork Simon Community

Take part in the Evening Echo Women's Mini-Marathon on the 18th September 2005 and raise vital funds for the Cork Simon Community.

you would like to raise funds to help Cork Simon Community continue to provide these vital services and make a real difference to the life of homeless men and women in Cork, please contact Mairead on 021 4321166 or email fundraising@corksioncommunity.ie A fun day is guaranteed for all participants with a post marathon reception for all members of the Cork Simon Community team, kindly sponsored by Scott's Bar on Oliver Plunkett Street.

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Family Studies Course 2005 - 2006

For Parents, Workers in Caring Professions and those involved in Community / Parish work.

This course aims:

- To increase participants knowledge and skills in the area of Family.
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- COMMENCES 6th October 2005 to 1st June 2006
 (Thursdays 7.30 - 9.30 pm)
 VENUE Mardyke House, Cork
 For Application form and further information contact Family Ministry
 34 Paul St., Cork.
 Tel:(021) 4275136 Fax: (021) 4275201
 Email: familyministry@eircom.net
 Early booking is essential as places are limited

MINISTERS OF THE WORD

Sep-24 & Sep-25-2005

St. Mary & St. John

Christ Our Light

6:00 pm (Vigil)
Sandra Walsh
8:30 am
Annette Collins
10:00 am
Margot Twomey
12:00 Noon
Sean Hennessy

8:00 pm (Vigil)
Michael Greene
11:00 am
Jack Dorgan
12:30 pm
Orlaith McVeigh
5:30 pm
Michelle Beamish

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	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**

MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST

Sep-24 & Sep-25-2005



St. Mary & St. John

Christ Our Light

6.00 pm Patsie Murphy
 Breda Foley
 Mary Walsh
 Geraldine Hegarty
 Finbarr Lehane

8:00 pm Jim Cahill, Kit Cahill
 Sheila O'Connor
 John Canty

8:30 am Theresa Lucey
 Rita Murphy

11:00 am Brid Healy-Harris
 Angela Cunningham
 Laurence Cunningham
 Eileen Byrne

10:00 am Tadgh Murphy
 Mary Murphy
 Joan Tobin
 Tony O'Leary
 Betty Sheehan

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

12 Noon Michael Crowley
 Breda Lenihan
 Noel Hennessey
 Marie O'Callaghan
 Rena O'Connor
 Angela Roche

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

PARISH CLERGY

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