

THE BALLINCOLLIG PARISHIONER



CHRIST OUR LIGHT
INNISHMORE



ST. MARY & ST. JOHN
STATION ROAD

SUNDAY 19TH MAY 2002

PENTECOST SUNDAY

The first coming of the Holy Spirit on the Church was wind and fire and the telling of God's wonderful deeds in many tongues. The Spirit also comes as many gifts for the common good, bringing peace along with God's forgiving power.

PENTECOST

You may recall from your study of world history the French Revolution with its slogan, "Liberty, Equality and Fraternity". This slogan was the battle cry of the masses and the threefold ideal for which they fought. You may also recall the France was divided into three classes: The Nobility, The Clergy, The Bourgeoise. The third class or the Third estate as it was called, felt deprived of all three rights, Liberty, Equality and Fraternity. Which of the three rights do you think most important? After some thought and discussion you would probably agree upon fraternity or fellowship. For without the third, the other two are impossible to attain.

We do not hear the same slogan as was shouted during the 18th century French revolution, but we do find factions willing to fight for freedom or liberty, others for equality, and still others for fraternity. Now as in the past, liberty and equality cannot be kept in a fair balance unless fraternity binds them together. Fraternity or fellowship among people is a matter of spirit, a spiritual community. Today we commemorate the giving of the spirit to God's community.

Today we celebrate the feast of pentecost. This lesson of fellowship is impressed upon us by the three readings of today's liturgy, celebrating the coming of the Holy Spirit to the early Christian community. These readings relate three episodes in early church life which feature the Holy Spirit. In each instance there is a small community gathering of christians. The Holy Spirit with his gifts descends upon each community which is at the verge of some dissension and desperation.

With regard to our own lives, are we open to the spirit? The reason why many christians fail to reach greater holiness is that they settle for less than God asks of them. "So far and no further", is the motto that limits their generosity to God. Are you one of those Christians who settle for the mediocre when God asks much more from you?

The feast of Pentecost is the answer for fainthearted Christians. After all, the apostles had fallen far below the standard that was expected of them, until the Holy Spirit came. They were huddled together in the upper room afraid to venture out in the street not to mention carrying Jesus' message to the world, to the ends of the earth. Then the Holy Spirit descended in the form of fire and wind and changed them utterly. The frightened became fighters for Christ. The cowards became heroes.

We received the Holy Spirit at baptism and in a special way at confirmation, but his influence is not so evident in our lives. We are not open to the spirit. At times we are afraid when he invites us to give everything to God. We erect barriers, invent excuses, and tell ourselves we are not material for sainthood.

In the world of nature there are few forces more powerful than the fire and the wind. A forest fire for instance, can become an inferno devastating all in its path. A tornado or hurricane will tear through cities crushing buildings and uprooting huge trees.

If we really are seeking a high degree of holiness, we will open to the holy spirit and allow his fire and wind to burn through our barriers of fear and prejudice and sweep away our obstacles of selfishness and sin

The story of pentecost sunday should give us hope. Before the coming up of the Holy Spirit, the apostles appeared to be at the bottom of the ladder to holiness, but they were material for greater sanctity, as we all are. They responded to the inspirations of the Holy Spirit and are honoured as prominent saints today. The fire and the wind of the spirit can transform our lives also, if only we open our souls to him.

John O'Donovan

PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL

PRIEST:

Conscious of the Spirit praying within us, let us present our petitions with confidence.

READER:

That the Spirit may fill the leaders of the Church and put new life into all the bishops.

Lord, Hear us,

Lord, graciously hear us.

That the Spirit may invigorate all the members of the Church and help those baptised and confirmed this year to grow in grace.

Lord, Hear us,

Lord, graciously hear us.

That the Spirit may give fresh enthusiasm to all who minister in this community and swell the numbers of those who serve the Lord here.

Lord, Hear us,

Lord, graciously hear us.

That the Spirit may renew the face of the earth and bring peace to the world and healing to those who suffer.

Lord, Hear us,

Lord, graciously hear us.

That the Spirit may bring life to those who have died and lead all the faithful departed home to heaven.

Lord, Hear us,

Lord, graciously hear us.

PRIEST:

God our creator, your Spirit brings us to life and sustains us: hear the prayers we are inspired to make, through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Send forth your Spirit, O Lord, and renew the face of the earth.

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BAPTISMS

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



- Luu Giang Horan, 45 Elm Lawn
- Darragh Diarmuid Evans, Westcourt Heights
- Nathan Patrick Clifford Forde, 15 Park Road
- Liam Michael McGarry, 11 Leevew
- Julie Elizabeth Lankford, 3 Hill Farm Ave, Model Farm Rd.
- Alan Joseph Patrick Keohane, 8 Woodside Rd., Coolpit Heath, Bristol, England.

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

- John Murphy, Station Rd
- Kate Murphy, Leemount
- Maigread Daly, South Douglas Rd.,
- Siobhain O'Hegarty, Wilton Ave
- Tom, Eileen & Jim Madigan, Eastgate
- Donors Intentions
- Maureen Callanan, West Village
- Pat Hayes, Aherla, Glanmire
- Timothy Murphy, Rockchapel
- Denis Murphy, Powdermills
- John Bowen, Shandon St.,
- Ann Murray, Rosewood
- Patrick Lucey, Inchigellagh
- Cecelia Bogue, Carrigrohane
- Peter & Dan Herlihy, Clondrohid
- James Bredin
- Denis O'Donoghue
- Elizabeth Crowley, Poulavone
- Ann & Michael O' Farrell, Tonyville
- Pat & Nora O'Connor, Inniscarra
- Denis O'Mahoney, Lee Rd.,
- James Collins, Dunmanway
- William Perrott, Glasheen
- Paddy Long, Parknamore
- Mr. Brian McVeigh, Larne, Co. Antrim

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READINGS FOR THE WEEK

19 Sunday Acts 2:1-11. Ps. 103. 1 Cor. 12:3-7, 12-13. Jn. 20:19-23. Lect 1: 601
"The Church was made manifest to the world on the day of Pentecost by the outpouring of the Holy Spirit. The gift of the Spirit ushers in a new era in the dispensation of the mystery - the age of the Church, during which Christ manifests, makes present and communicates his work of salvation through the liturgy of his Church 'until he comes'. In this age of the Church Christ now lives and acts in and with his Church, in a new way appropriate to this new age. He acts through the sacraments in what the common Tradition of the East and the West calls the "sacramental economy", this is the communication (or dispensation) of the fruits of Christ's Paschal mystery in the celebration of the Church's "sacramental" liturgy."

SEVENTH WEEK IN ORDINARY TIME
20 Monday Jm. 3:13- 18. Ps. 18. Mk. 9:14-29. Lect II:537
We owe a debt to James for keeping before us the value of practical religion. Faith without works is indeed dead. We are to show our knowledge and faith by good lives with humility in our actions.

21 Tuesday Jm. 4:1-10. Ps. 54. Mk. 9:30-37.. Lect II:540
Gad opposes the proud and gives to the humble. Jesus uses little children to illustrate his teaching, on humility and simplicity of life.

22 Wednesday Jm.4:13- 17. Ps.48. Mk. 9:38-40. Lect II:542
James reminds us that we are in the hands of God for the future. Deo volente "God willing", should accompany any of our promises for the future. Jesus teaches that any good done in his name is to be approved of.

23 Thursday Jm. 5:1 -6. Ps. 48. Mk. 9:41-50. Lect II:543
James comments strongly on financial ruthlessness, instancing labourers' wages fraudulently held back by unscrupulous employers. Real religion concentrates on ministry to the poor, the marginalised, the socially despised and rejected, expressed in practical terms.

24 Friday Jm. 5:9- 12. Ps.102. Mk.10:1 - 12. Lect II:545
For James, the tongue is a restless evil. He warns about gossip and swearing falsely. Gossip-mongers, spin-doctors and manipulators of the truth are to take note.

25 Saturday Jm. 5:13-20. Ps. 140. Mk. 10:13- 16. Lect II:547
James' practical religion shows itself in the relationships within the community. Mutual support can be shown in prayer. The prayer of faith of the Church will save the sick and raise them up. Each has to have concern for the waverers in the faith. There must be no thoughtlessness or lack of awareness and sensitivity.

SAINTS THIS WEEK

20 Monday - St Bernardine of Siena, 1380-1444. Born near Siena, he became a Franciscan and travelled through Italy, preaching with great success. He propagated devotion to the Holy Name and St Joseph. Patron saint of advertisers, communications and public relations personnel.

25 Saturday - St Bede, 673-735, monk of Jarrow, historian and biblical commentator. Patron of scholars.

St Gregory VII, 1028-1085, Hildebrand of Tuscany was a cluniac monk in Rome who, on becoming Pope, worked for reform and died in exile at Salerno.

St Mary Magdalene de'Pazzi, 1566-1607, a carmelite in Florence, offered her life for the spiritual renewal of the Church.

A HOUSEWIFE'S PRAYER

Be with me dear Lord, in all the things I do, be they ever so unimportant. Let me never lose sight of you in my daily household chores especially when work and worry get the better of me, when I feel unappreciated and neglected, and when family troubles weigh me down. Help me to remember Lord, that all I do for my family, I am really doing for you as the head of this household.

Let my service to my family be willing and joyful, not cheerless and forced; let it be done with love in union with your own dear Mother, the perfect model of housewives for all time. Grant me a little of her patience and understanding, Lord, as I need them so much to be the means of keeping peace and harmony in our home. Let me never be too busy to hold out a helping hand to those that need it, or to stop awhile and offer sympathy to some troubled soul. Aided by your grace may our home be a reflection of your own happy home in Nazareth, and may our family be united with yours in the glory of our eternal home.

Amen.

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All proceeds in aid of Marymount Hospice, Cork

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The Iarnród Éireann Travel Centre, 65 Patrick Street, Cork.

Phone (021) 455-7022

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>SACRISTY SERVICES <i>Before and after all Masses</i> <i>Sundays & Weekdays</i> CHURCH OF ST. MARY & ST. JOHN</p> <p>- Mass Card Signing - Requests for Baptism/Marriage Certs, etc. CHRIST OUR LIGHT - Mass Card Signing -</p>	<p>Confessions</p> <p>Saturday: after 10am Mass</p>
<p>Baptisms</p> <p>Saturday: 5.00pm Sunday: 12.45pm</p>		<p>Baptisms</p> <p>Saturday: 7.15pm</p>
<p>PARISH CLERGY CHURCH NO. · 087-2479140 Fr. Leonard. O'Brien P.† 021-4871206 Fr. Pat. O'Donovan C.† 021-4872808 Fax: 021-4872808 Fr. Paul O'Donoghue † 021-4876055 Fr. John O'Donovan † 021-4870434</p>		

EUCCHARISTIC PROCESSION

The first Holy Communion girls and boys are invited to walk in our annual Eucharistic Procession. It will commence immediately after the 6pm Mass in the church of St. Mary and St. John's on Saturday 25th May.

Front seats in the church will be reserved for those who wish to participate.

We also extend an invitation to all Parish Clubs and associations to join us in the procession.

Ballincollig Pastoral Council.

PRAYER FOR MYSELF

My Lord and my God, you have created me for yourself: grant that I may realise that my true happiness lies in doing your holy will. Grant, too, that I may labour unto the end for your greater honour and glory. I beseech you also to allow no one to be damaged through any word or act of mine. Jesus, meek and humble of heart, make my heart like yours.
Amen.



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Apostolate of Our Lady of Fatima



ALL - NIGHT VIGIL

at

KNOCK



**FEASTS' OF THE SACRED HEART OF JESUS
AND THE IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY**

JUNE 7TH 2002

BUS WILL LEAVE AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY & ST. JOHN, BALLINCOLLIG @ 3.45PM

COST: € 20

FOR DETAILS CONTACT: ANGELA 4872611 OR PAT 4870374

SOLAS DE CHOIRS

**ARE HOSTING A
CAKE SALE**

IN AID OF THE

**BELARUSSIAN ORPHANAGE
PROJECT**

**INNISHMORE FAMILY CENTRE
SUNDAY 19TH - 11 TIL 2**

St. Josephs Young Priests Society

Ballincollig Branch

Monthly meeting of the Society

*takes place upstairs in the
Community Hall on Monday*

May 20th 2002 at 8.00pm

Everyone welcome.

GARDA TRAFFIC PLAN FOR BALLINCOLLIG EUCHARISTIC PROCESSION

Hereunder are details of the Garda Traffic arrangements which will come into operation at 6:30 on Saturday 25th May until the Eucharistic Procession is over;

West Park Hotel/Leo Murphy Junction

Motorists approaching Ballincollig from Cork City will be diverted to the left via Leo Murphy Road (New Link Road) and onto the Kilmuney Road. This will facilitate traffic to by-pass Ballincollig Town Centre and rejoin the Cork-Macroom Road (N.22) near the White Horse Inn.

Castle Park/East Gate Residents

Traffic coming from Castle Park and the Powdermills (G.A.A. area) will be requested to drive towards the City and may use the Leo Murphy Road if they intend travelling to Macroom or to the West. Traffic coming from the City direction and intending to drive into Castle Park Road or to the G.A.A. Pavilion will be allowed to proceed.

Muskerry Estate Residents

Traffic coming from Muskerry Estate and intending to travel towards Cork City should drive via the rear entrance of Muskerry Estate onto the Kilmuney Road. Traffic going from Muskerry Estate towards Macroom, will be allowed drive out the front entrance of the estate and turn left.

Traffic coming from the west

All traffic approaching Ballincollig from the West will be diverted at O'FLYNN'S CROSS near the White Horse Inn Bar and Restaurant. This traffic will be able to join the Cork-Macroom Road (N.22) near the West Park Hotel.

*The traffic diversion will be in operation for approximately one hour.
Every effort will be made by the Gardaí to cause as little inconvenience as possible to motorists*

BALLINCOLLIG PARISH

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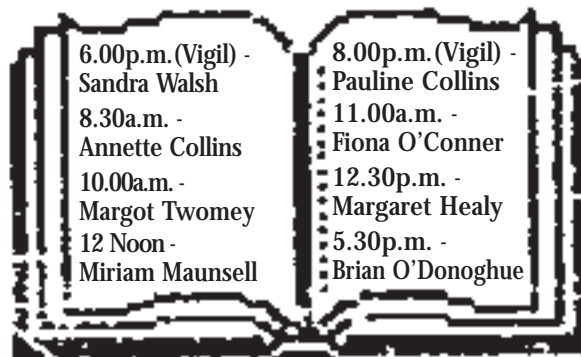
25th & 26th May 2002

NEXT SUNDAYS READINGS:

Ex. 34:4-6. 8-9. Ps. Dan. 3. 2 Cor 13:11-13. Jn. 3:16-18. Lect 1:611
Trinity Sunday

MINISTERS OF THE WORD MAY 25TH/26TH

ST. MARY & ST. JOHN CHRIST OUR LIGHT



MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST

25th /26th May 2002

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



SATURDAY 25TH

6p.m.
Mary O'Donoghue
Steve Wills
Margaret o'Sullivan
Rita Aherne
Betty Sheehan
Jim Walsh

SUNDAY 26TH

8.30a.m. Mary Buckley
Rita Murphy
10a.m. Maureen Roche
Christina Walshe
Peter Reilly
Mary Collins
Christy Roche

12.00 Noon
Oliver O'Donovan
Barbara Kelly
John Jeffers
Mary McLean
Ellen Seymour
Ita Walshe

CHRIST OUR LIGHT CHURCH

SATURDAY 25TH

8p.m.
Anne O'Regan
Marion O'Sullivan
Maura O'Driscoll

SUNDAY 26TH

11a.m. Seamus O'Connell
Mary O'Connell
Finbarr Murray
Alan O'Riordan
Geraldine Keohane
12.30p.m. Maura Lombard
Jackie Sheehan
Mary Green
Michael O'Leary
Lelia O'Brien

5.30p.m.
Catherine Green
Mary Breen
Siobhan Burke

BALLINCOLLIG BASKETBALL CLUB

Our club would like to thank everyone who attended our Public Meeting on last Monday night. A lively discussion took place on the various options available to us with the proposed demolition of the Community School Hall.

We have been trying to get answers about who was responsible for requesting that the gym be demolished and why ?

It has taken us over a year to obtain the answers to our questions. The answers came in a letter from Jarvis Projects Ltd. who stated they had nothing to do with the present gym and in a letter to local public representatives from the school Board of Management outlining the reasons for the demolition.

It was most dissapointing to discover that people we have been honourable with and people we have spoken to, had the answers all along.

The meeting has decided to continue the campaign to Save The Gym. Local representatives have pledged their support for our club efforts and we appreciate the support of the attendance who endorsed the actions of our club committee in relation to the gym.

On a brighter note we like to congratulate our members who helped Cork U. 15 boys and Cork u. 18 girls win All Ireland titles on last weekend. Congratulations also to our boys U. 15 boys who have qualified for the Munster finals of the Community Games in Limerick on July 13th.

CARRIG WATERSKI CENTRE

Skiing has begun Saturday and Sunday afternoon, 2-6pm.

Thursday evenings at 6.30pm until dark.

There are new boats this year.

Beginners are welcome.

At Carrig, we ski disabled, blind and people who have lost limbs.

Anyone can ski!!

Signposted from Carrigadrohid Village
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Visitors are always welcome!!

For an exhilarating experience!

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Brian on 086 2534494

Aidan on 086 8559169

Pat on 021 4872808

“There are none so blind as those who will not ski!”

KNOCK

*Legion of Mary Annual Pilgrimage
to Knock on Sunday May 26th*

Just a few seats left!!

Bus leaving village at 7.00am Sharp

Fare: €18.00 Deposit: €5.00

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The Southern Health Board will provide advice, support and assistance to individuals who are feeling suicidal and to family members, friends, professionals and others who know someone who is showing symptoms of depression, anxiety or who is threatening suicide or self-harm.



**IRISH
HEART
FOUNDATION**
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CARDIOMYOPATHY INFORMATION DAY

THE IRISH HEART FOUNDATION IS ORGANISING AN "INFORMATION DAY" ON CARDIOMYOPATHY ON SATURDAY MAY 25TH AT THE METROPOLE HOTEL FROM 10.30am - 3.30pm.

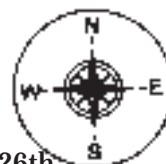
THOSE DIAGNOSED WITH CARDIOMYOPATHY, THEIR FAMILY MEMBERS AND FRIENDS ARE ALL WELCOME.

FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT:
PADDY O'BRIEN AT 021-4505822



BALLINCOLLIG TIDY TOWNS

**CORK COUNTY COUNCIL
Inter Town Challenge 2002**



Competition commenced on May 9th and will continue until June 26th

A LOT DONE A LOT TO DO! PLEASE SUPPORT OUR CHURCH GATE COLLECTION THIS WEEKEND.

Area 1 (Town Centre) (will be judged every week)

Main St. from Westpark Hotel to Roundabout near McNamara Supervalu Shopping Centre at Western End. To include area behind Main St. - Station Road up to Church, across and behind Church including Scoil Eoin, Scout Hall & Cemetery - Northern end of Car Park (incl. Car Park) and Time Square.

Area 4 (from 23rd May to 29th May)

Coolroe, Coolroe Heights, Parknamore, Avoncourt, Citi West Mews, L & N Shopping Centre, from Roundabout to entrance of Parknamore. & Ballincollig versus Youghal

Area 5 (from 30th May to 5th June)

Westcourt, Wyndham Downs, Westgrove. Inniscarra Road from Roundabout to Inniscarra Bridge including Gaelscoil Ui Riordan. Perimeter of Wyndham Downs to Macroom Road. Entrance to Coolroe Estate. To include all Aylsbury Estate, Coolroe Meadows. Main Road as far as Westphalia. & Ballincollig versus Cobh

HAVE YOU ENTERED THE FRONT GARDEN, HANGING BASKET AND TUB COMPETITION?

Entry Forms available & must be returned by 14th June 2002:

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(Entries can only be accepted from
Ballincollig Postal District)

This competition is a serious effort by Cork County Council to eliminate litter from our streets etc., it is also designed in a way that gives everybody in the town an opportunity to get involved and indeed challenges us to get involved.

No man is an island of itself . . . any man's death diminishes me because I am involved in mankind. Therefore never send to know for whom the bell tolls. It tolls for you.

John Donne

ROSARY FOR THE MONTH OF MAY

The Rosary will be recited each evening, Monday to Friday, in the Church of St. Mary & St. John at 6.30pm.

All are welcome