THE BALLINCOLLIG PARISHIONER



St. Mary & St. John Station Road

Sunday 20-November-2005

Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, Universal King Jesus, the Lord of all creation cared so much for those in his domain, that he was willing to die, in order to care for them. Those who will finally belong to him, will be those who have shared his care for the hungry, the naked, the lost, the crippled and the strays of this world.

Feast of Christ the King

The title of this Sunday is very strange in our world of 2005. Kings are no longer in fashion. Even as a King, Christ was very different, his ability to reach out to people, especially the sick, mourners and outcasts, was extraordinary. Out of love for us, God promised; "I will seek the lost, and I will bring back the strayed, and I will bind up the wounded, and I will strengthen the weak, and the fat and the strong I will watch over; I will feed them in Justice. "He fulfilled his promise when he sent Jesus as our shepherd. We live in Jesus' love and this enables us to love others as he has loved us.

The gospel from Matthew sets the scene of the "Son of Man coming in his glory", separating the sheep from the goats. This gospel passage goes on to outline practical ways of loving others; we each have many opportunities in welcoming the stranger, visiting the sick, clothing the naked.

Fundamentally loving others is taking care of them and serving their needs – being a blessing to them in any way that we can. This is not difficult for our love for others flows out of a grateful heart, a heart that knows it is loved. Reflect on the many ways that God shows his love for you. Let his love fill your heart. Then let his love overflow to others.

George O'Mahony

Letting Go	
To "let go" does not mean to stop caring; it means you can't do it for someone else.	
To "let go" is not to cut yourself off; it is the realization you can't control another.	
To "let go" is not to enable, but to allow learning from natural consequences.	
To "let go" is to admit powerlessness, which means the outcome is not in your hands.	
To "let go" is not to try to change or blame another; it's to make the most of yourself.	
To "let go" is not to care for, but to care about.	
To "let go" is not to fix, but to be supportive.	
To "let go" is not to judge, but to allow another to be a human being.	
To "let go" is not to be in the middle, arranging all of the outcomes, but to allow others	
to affect their own destinies.	
To "let go" is not to deny, but to accept.	
To "let go" is not to nag, scold or argue, but instead to search out your shortcomings	
and correct them.	
To "let go" is not to adjust everything to your desires, but to take each day as it comes and cherish yourself in it.	
To "let go" is not to regret the past, but to grow and live for the future.	
To "let go" is to fear less and love more.	
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Reflection for Parents	
It is easy to see the meaning of this gospel through our actions toward our children.	
Never in true thirst or hunger would we deny them. If they were sick or cold we would	
take care of them ourselves or see to it that someone helped us. It's taking this gospel to	
the next level that will help our children see the meaning of love through our example.	
Not only will they witness love through our loving actions toward others, but there will	
be many opportunities along the way to have our children share in these actions of love.	
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Christ Our Light Innishmore

PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL

Priest

On this great feast, climax of the liturgical year, we bring our prayers before the Lord with confidence.

Reader

We pray for all in leadership roles in the church, that they may lead in the way of Jesus.

Lord, Hear us, Lord, graciously hear us.

We pray for wisdom for all those who govern, for those who influence world policies and for all civil leaders.

Lord, Hear us, Lord, graciously hear us.

We pray for all parents, that they may lead by kindness and understanding, and that they may be blessed in their children. Lord, Hear us,

Lord, graciously hear us.

We pray for all who are in prison or in detention, that they may not lose heart. **Lord, Hear us,**

Lord, graciously hear us.

We remember all who administer justice systems in our world, that they may do so with respect for human rights and dignity also we remember those who are ill or injured, those recovering from surgery or treatment, and all carers and medical staffs.

Lord, Hear us, Lord, graciously hear us.

We pray for those who have died ... May they rest in peace. Lord, Hear us,

Lord, graciously hear us.

Priest

Loving God, you care for your people in every way and you hear our prayers. Please grant what we ask today in the name of Jesus, our Saviour who is Lord and King for ever and ever.

Amen.

The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.

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BAPTISMS

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

Emma Rachel Murphy, 35, Barryfield, Classis Lake. Lea Chelsey Carroll, 23, Holly Road, Muskerry Estate.

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

Pauline O'Callaghan, West Village. Hugh Collins, Innishmore Drive. Timothy O'Callaghan, Inchigaggin. Michael, Johanna Hennigan, Woodbine Lawn, James & Bridget Cosgrove, Broadford, Co Clare. Deceased members of the O'Mahony & Green families. John & Hannah Corkery, Aherla. William Murphy, Kilmichael. John O'Connor, Powdermills. Deceased members of Country Markets Ltd. Deceased members of the Ring Family, Blarney Road. William Vaughan, Kilnamartyra. Edwin McDermott, Poulavone. Ciaran Brennan, Shamrock Drive. Tim O'Mahony, Ballycoady. John Quin, Beach Park. Deceased members of the O'Reilly & Hanney families. Sylvester Cotter, Poulavone. Barry O'Leary, Durrus. Nora Coughlan, Ballydehob. Brendan O'Sullivan, Glendower Court. Elizabeth Daly. Rita Kinesella, Carrigrohane. Tom Durcan, Co Mayo. Frank Moran, London. Robert Barrett, Bishopstown. Jerry & Hanna Goulding, Inniscarra. Henry & Nora O'Brien, Shears Street, Cork. Victoria Heade, Dublin. Margaret Pinfield, Blarney.

Cork College of Commerce

Learn how to make those all-important Christmas floral arrangements with this **ONE DAY** yuletide flower arranging course focusing entirely on festive arrangements. Items completed in class will include: Christmas wreaths, festive swags and Christmas cracker flower arrangements.

> Date: Saturday 3rd December Time: 10.00-2.30 pm Tutor: Denis O'Donovan Cost: €60

CIT - Parents Evening

- An information session on issues relevant to parents of Leaving Certificate Students including CAO applications
- An exhibition of CIT Full-time courses For further information contact: Mary Pat O'Connor – (021) 4326804 Email: parentsinfo@cit.ie

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Last Week In Ordinary Time

20 Sunday Ez. 34:11-12, 15-17. Ps. 22. 1 Car. 15:20-26, 28. Mt. 25:31-46. Lect l: 729

21 Monday Zech. 2:14-17. Ps. Lk. 1:46-55. Mt. 12:46-50. Lect ll: 1271

22 Tuesday Dan. 2:31-45. Ps. Dan. 3:57-61. Lk. 21:5-11. Lect ll: 442

23 Wednesday Is. 52:7-10. Ps. 95. 1k. 9:57-62. Lect II: 1277

24 Thursday Dan. 6:12-28. Ps. Dan. 3:68-74. Lk. 2 1:20-28. Lect ll: 447

25 Friday Dan. 7:2-14. Ps. Dan. 3. 1k. 21:29-33. Lect ll: 449

26 Saturday Dan. 7:15-27. Ps. Dan. 3. Lk. 21:34-36. Lect ll: 452

Next Sunday's Readings 27-November-2005 Is 63:16-17. 64:1, 3-8. Ps 79. 1 Car 1:-9. Mk 13:33-37. Lect l: 5

Advent Programme

The Advent Programme will take place on four consecutive Tuesday's, beginning on Tuesday 22nd November and ending on Tuesday 13th December. It will be held in the upstairs room of the St. Vincent de Paul premises. Time 10.00 to 10.30 am. The programme is based on the readings for the coming Sunday. All are welcome.

Ministers of the Eucharist St. Mary & St. John and Christ Our Light. Note for your diary Talk on the Eucharist by Fr. Finbarr O'Halloran on Sat. 3rd December at 11.00 am in the Church of St. Mary & St. John.

Painting Together

Would you like to join us at St. Peters Church of Ireland Hall, Carrigrohane on Friday's 2.30 pm to 4.30 pm where we paint together in our chosen medium. Enjoy a cuppa and a chat, for further information contact Rosemary 4346304 or Mary 4871284 or just come along any Friday, you will be most welcome.

Special Notice

Could the young male that helped a lady involved in a fire incident outside the Community Hall on Wednesday 21st September at 10 pm, please contact (086) 1580984.

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THE SUNDAY READINGS First Reading: Ezek. 34:11-12. 15-17 The divine shepherd keeps all of the flock in view and cares especially for those who stray.

Second Reading: 1 Cor. 15:20-26. 28 Christ our Saviour is Lord of the universe. Everything is subject to him.

Gospel: Matthew 25:31-46.

On this final Sunday of the Church year, the feast of Christ the King, we learn most definitely how our lives will be measured. They will be measured by the love we show. Whenever we offer a drink of water to the thirsty, food to the hungry, clothing to the naked, or whenever we visit the sick or imprisoned, or take in the stranger, we show our love to God. Through our actions toward the poor, vulnerable, estranged and discouraged we show our love of God. If we ignore these people, we also ignore God.

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SAINT OF THE WEEK

St. Colman 25-November-2005

St. Colman was born around 530, probably in West Cork. A bard by profession, he was endowed with extraordinary poetic powers' being styled by his contemporaries "Royal Bard of Munster". He is reputed to have been influenced by St. Brendan to become a priest. He built his cathedral abbey in what is now the East Cork village of Cloyne where he laboured for forty years in the large diocese of Cloyne of which he is Patron. Many place names, such as Kilcolman, commemorate him. Several of Colman's Irish poems are still extant, notably a metrical panegyric on St. Brendan.

Irish Guide Dogs for the Blind

Invites you to a night of festive cheer Christmas Cake Decoration Demonstration With Jacqueline Cullinane, Cork Sugar Craft Association At the IGDB Centre, Model Farm Rd, Cork November 24th 2005 Mulled Wine Reception at 7.30 pm Demonstration begins at 8 pm sharp Tickets are priced at €15 & available at the IGDB Centre on 1850 506 300 Tickets are limited so purchase early! Raffle on the night

Ballincollig Parish Pastoral Council

The next meeting of the council will be held in the Annex Room, Community Centre on Monday November 21st at 7.45 pm

Advent Retreat

At St Dominic's Retreat Centre at Ennismore December 2 – 4 - Weekend Retreat "Come Lord Jesus come Jim Donleavy OP

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Pike Theatre Group

Are holding a Night of Drama In Ballincollig Community Hall on Sunday 27th November, 2005 at 8.00pm. 3 One Act Plays

A great nights entertainment guaranteed. Admission $\notin 5.00$ Bookings 4646223 – Mr. Charlie Conway.

Ursuline Invitation

The Ursuline Sisters in Blackrock, Cork are extending an invitation to single women who may have an interest in finding out more about religious live.

> Date: Sunday November 27th Time: 2.30 – 7.00pm Venue: Ursuline Convent, Blackrock, Cork

For further information: Sr. Jean or Sr. Karen – (021) 4358663 e-mail: irishursulines@eircom.net

Stammering

Is it a problem to you or someone you know?

Open Night – Tuesday 22nd November 8.00 pm Silver Springs Moran Hotel, Tivoli, Cork.

For more information phone: Denis O'Keeffe 021 4889454 / 087 9802421 Joe O'Donnell 074 9125781 / 086 3429602 e-mail: joeodonnell69@hotmail.com web site: www.mcguireprogramme.com

Messiah by G.F. Handel Presented by East Cork Choral Society St. Patrick's Church, Dunmanway Saturday 3rd December at 8.00 pm

> Tickets €15 from St. Patrick's Church, D. Crowley & Co, and Signals, The Square Proceeds to Renovation Fund

Ballincollig Furniture

The recent fire at their premises in Maglin caused shock and grief in the community. This firm has had a strong reputation for the quality of its work and craftsmanship for more than 40 years.

We take this opportunity on behalf of Ballincollig Parish to offer our sympathy to the O'Sullivan family on their loss and wish them best wishes for the future

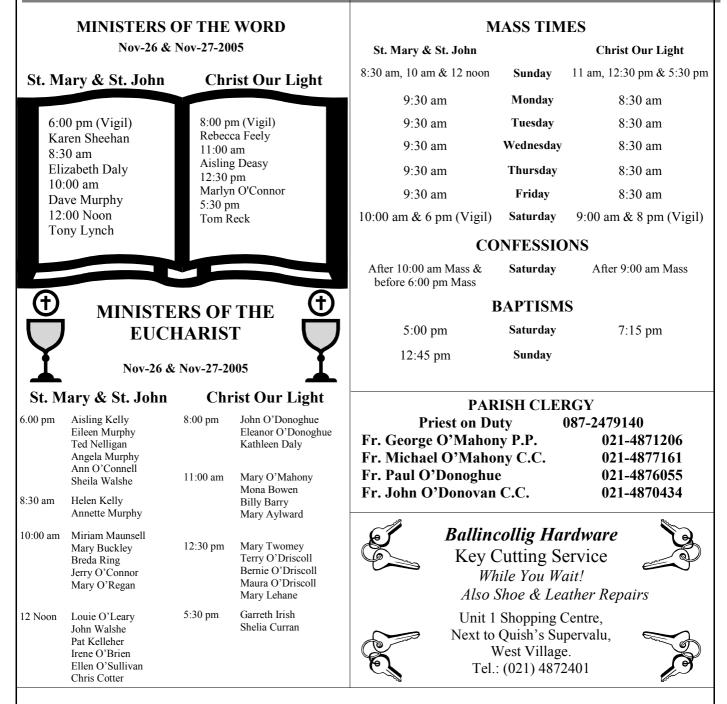
Envelope Collection

Cork Marriage Counselling Centre This Weekend 19h & 20th November 2005

Christmas Flower Demonstration

By Marian Kelleher in Ballincollig GAA Pavilion on Sun 20th November 7 - 9 pm For Ballincollig Ladies Gaelic Football club Tickets €7 Contact Martha Barry on 087 6645354.

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Parish Office, The Presbytery, Ballincollig is open Monday - Thursday from 9 am - 12.30 pm. Saturday 10:30 am - 12 Noon. Phone No. (021) 4871206



Ballincollig Credit Union Ltd.

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Notice To Members

Our new Sub Office in the Town Centre

Is now open

The hours of business in our offices will be

New Town Centre Office		
Monday	9.30 – 5.00 pm	
Tuesday	9.30 – 5.00 pm	
Wednesday	10.30 – 5.00 pm	
Thursday	9.30 – 7.30 pm	
Friday	9.30 – 7.30 pm	
Saturday	9.30 – 5.00 pm	

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