

THE BALLINCOLLIG PARISHIONER



St. Mary & St. John
Station Road

Sunday 22-October-2006

Twenty Ninth Sunday In Ordinary Time

Mission Sunday

By its nature, the Church is missionary. Christ sent her to let her light shine to the whole human race. We cannot leave this task to the professionals. The prophets and the apostles were ordinary lay people when chosen to speak and act in God's name. As the result of our baptism, each of us has a duty to work for the missions in our special way and in our own particular place.



Christ Our Light
Innishmore

Mission Sunday

**Welcome; Céad Míle Fáilte; Bienvenido; Willkommen;
Karibu; Benvenuti; Ikabo; Bem-vindo; Halala; Nnoo;
Soo dhawow; Welkom; Akwaaba; Bienvenue; Witajcie;
Hoş geldiniz**

Our Mission Sunday theme this year is Welcome; to offer a Céad Míle Fáilte to all newcomers in our community. If you are new to the parish, Welcome! Please know that you are always welcome to worship and pray with us.

In recent years Ballincollig has grown to be a very large town with a diversity of people; a truly multi ethnic, multi-faith and multi language conurbation. There are people from an abundance of nations living in our parish. This is clear to see particularly in schools, in the diversity of nationalities and languages represented. It is easy to spot an immigrant from Africa or Asia because they may be of a different skin colour, but many immigrants from Europe may be all but invisible because they blend into the mainly Caucasian indigenous population.

All newcomers must be included in our welcome if we want to claim to be a truly Christian community. It means embracing people of all faiths and none who come to live among us, whatever their ethnic background or language and extending to them the traditional Céad Míle Fáilte that has been the traditional hallmark of Irish hospitality.

Of course newcomers to Ballincollig are not all from other nations. The majority of people who choose to come and live in Ballincollig are actually Irish! I have no doubt that in a town of this size and population (is it 20,000 or more?) that all 32 counties are represented. As the growth in new homes expands at an unrelenting pace, even more newcomers will be arriving to live here. What is the experience like? Is it a warm welcoming place where a sense of community can be experienced? Or can it be an isolating experience of anonymous suburbia for many?

As a newcomer myself this Summer I have been very impressed with the warmth of the welcome that has been extended to me. However I am in a unique position whereby church goers will recognise my face if they meet me on the street or in the shopping centres. I wonder if I wasn't a public figure would I have experienced the same sense of welcome? It's a challenge for all of us to create a caring Christian community. Welcoming the stranger is the first step.

Sean O'Driscoll

PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL

Priest

The Church is missionary in order to proclaim to the whole world that God, our Father, wishes all people to be saved. We pray to him with all our hearts

Reader

That the Lord Jesus will guide the missionary activity of the Church

Lord, Hear us,

Lord, graciously hear us.

That the Lord will unite in peace and harmony all the peoples of the world.

Lord, Hear us,

Lord, graciously hear us.

That Christians will never be ashamed of the Gospel and never be afraid of sharing their faith with others.

Lord, Hear us,

Lord, graciously hear us.

That the Holy Spirit will draw non-Christians to dialogue with minds and hearts open to the light of the Gospel.

Lord, Hear us,

Lord, graciously hear us.

That those amongst us from other nations will experience true Christian justice, kindness and hospitality.

Lord, Hear us,

Lord, graciously hear us.

For our dead.

Lord, Hear us,

Lord, graciously hear us.

Priest

God of Love, you desire all people to be saved.

Hear the prayers of your people made in the name of Jesus our Lord.

Amen.

Novena for The Dead - November 2nd to 10th, 2006

November is a month dedicated to our deceased relatives and friends. It is the time of year when we are asked to pray for our dead and thank God for their efforts and goodness to us. Christ's prayer to his Father is "I want those you have given me to be with me where I am, so that they may always see the glory you have given me." I would encourage everyone to make a special effort to come to daily Mass during the Novena for the Dead and maybe even keep up the effort for the month of November.

Envelopes are available this weekend in both Churches.

May your love be upon us, O Lord, as we place all our hope in you.

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BAPTISMS

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

ack Martin William Brady, Beech Road, Muskerry Estate.
 Ailish Sara Scanlon, Chestnut Lawn, Classes Lake.
 Andre Akachi Eze, The Willows, Classes Lake.
 Adrienne Ohichi Eze, The Willows, Classes Lake.
 Benjamin Mitchell O'Connell, Kilnaglory.
 Jessica Margaret Murphy, The Elms, Classes Lake.
 Calvin Daniel O'Connor, Innishmore Park.

† **IN SYMPATHY** †

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

Gerard Murphy R.I.P., Westcliffe.
 Mourned by his wife Mary and family.
 Margaret Walsh R.I.P., Killavullen, Waterford.
 Mourned by Breda Considine, Westcourt Heights
 Edie Campbell R.I.P. Galway.
 Mourned by his sister Josie Halligan, An Caisléan

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

Jim Kavanagh, Powdermills.
 Marie Ryan, Lower Coolroe.
 Joseph, Betty & Goretti LeBlanc.
 John & Pat Sheehan, Coachford.
 Patrick & Nora Riordan, Balingeary.
 Hannah O'Sullivan.
 Margaret Crowley.
 John Sheehan, Coachford.
 Arthur Collins, Carrigrohane.
 John Lucey, Gillabbey St.
 John & Elizabeth O'Callaghan, Ballygown, Killavullen.
 Mary Harrington, Douglas Street.
 Jim Deasy, Rosewood.
 Michael Donovan, Currahealy, Farran.
 Catherine Gamble, Castle Park.
 Maureen & Aidan Burke, Muskerry Estate & Dublin.
 Mary Dunne, Blarney.
 Rita Fouhy, Eastgate.
 Patrick Hayden, London.
 Colin Hedderman.
 Fr. Sean & Nellie Murphy, Station Road.
 Arthur Collins, Church Road, Carrigrohane.
 John O'Callaghan, Fr. Sexton Park.
 Robert Lester, Prosperity Square.
 Mike & Alice Bolger, Wexford.
 Nicholas Tarrant, Inniscarra View.

Autumn Dues

Sincere thanks to all parishioners who have returned Autumn Dues envelopes. Contributions received from both the Spring & Autumn dues is the primary income for the priests of the parish. Your generosity is much appreciated.

George, Michael & Sean.

Cork Simon Community

Would like to thank the people of Ballincollig who subscribed so generously to the recent Church gate collection.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Twenty Ninth Week In Ordinary Time

22 Sunday Is 53:10-11. Ps 32. Heb 4:14-16. Lect I: 814 Mk 16:15-20. Lect I: 555
 23 Monday Eph 2:1-10. Ps 99. Lk 12:13-21. Lect II: 826
 24 Tuesday Eph 2:12-22. Ps 84. Lk 12:35-38. Lect II: 828
 25 Wednesday Eph 3:2-12. Ps Is.12:2-6. Lk 12:39-48. Lect II: 830
 26 Thursday Eph 3:14-21. Ps32. Lk 12:49-53. Lect II: 832
 27 Friday Eph 4:1-6. Ps23. Lk 12:54-59. Lect II: 834
 28 Saturday Eph 2:19-22. Ps 18. Lk 6:12-19. Lect II: 1242

Next Sunday's Readings 29-October-2006
 Jer 31:7-9. Ps 125. Heb 5:1-6. Mk 10:46-52. Lect I: 817

Diary Dates 2007 Confirmation

Scoil Mhuire	Monday 14th May
Scoil Eoin	Monday 26th March
Scoil Barra	Thursday 19th April
Our Lady of Good Counsel	Thursday 19th April
Gaelscoil Uí Riordáin	Wednesday 18th April

First Holy Communion

Scoil Mhuire	Saturday 28th April
Scoil Eoin	Saturday 26th May
Scoil Barra	Saturday 12th May
Our Lady of Good Counsel	Saturday 12th May
Gaelscoil Uí Riordáin	Saturday 19th May

Irish Heart Foundation

The "Over 60's Show" featuring past winners of the competition will take place at the Cork Opera House on Sunday November 26th at 8.00 p.m. Also on stage will be Sonny Knowles and Comedian Sean Connors.
 Tickets on sale at the Opera House €20, €18 and €15.
 Proceeds to the Irish Heart Foundation.
 Sponsored by Chi – Sullivan's Quay.

Ballincollig Special Olympic Soccer Club

Would like to thank all those who took part in the Evening Echo Ladies Mini Marathon in aid of the Club. Also we would like to thank all the people who sponsored the runners. Your continued support for the club is greatly appreciated

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THE SUNDAY READINGS

First Reading: Isaiah 53:10-11

In today's reading, we hear how the Messiah will give His life as an offering for sin; His suffering will bring people to God.

Second Reading: Hebrews 4:14-16

Jesus Christ is a priest; that is, Jesus Christ is a great mediator. He knows our faults and failings, because He shares our human nature. Because Jesus is our priest, we can draw near to God with confidence.

GOSPEL: Mark 16: 15-20

The Apostles are commanded to preach the Gospel to all. The salvation which it brings is for all without exception. In the early days of the Church, possibly because of a greater need for extraordinary signs to move a sceptical and hostile world miracles were more frequent than in later times. Through Baptism we share in the Church's ministry to serve all who are in need. We share Christ's mission of working for peace and justice in our homes, our parish, and our world.

Annual Graveyard Masses

Will take place in St. Oliver's Cemetery at 2.00 pm on Saturday 4th November, 2006 and in St. Mary & St. John Cemetery on Saturday 11th November, 2006

Our Lady Queen of Peace House of Prayer.

A coach will leave St. Mary & St. John Church car park, Ballincollig at 6:15 am on Saturday 28th October, 2006 for Achill, Co. Mayo for a novena and special prayers for priests at the Christina Gallagher House of Prayer. Phone Caroline 021 4884443 or 087 6377169

Annual Mass for Recently Deceased

The annual Mass for the recently deceased of Ballincollig Parish will be held at 8.00 pm on Friday 10th November, 2006 in St. Mary & St. John. If you would like to include a relative please hand the name into the Sacristy or the Parish Office.

The Beginning Experience

Beginning Experience is a weekend programme to help those who have lost a spouse through death, separation or divorce. It helps the bereaved move from the darkness of their grief into the light of a new beginning and move into the future with renewed hope. It helps deal with the natural grief process and offers opportunity, through God, for turning the pain of loss into an experience of positive growth.

The next residential weekend programme will take place in St. Dominic's Retreat Centre, Ennismore, Montenotte, Cork from 21st to 23rd October, 2006. If you are interested in participating in this weekend contact Kathleen at Family Ministry, 34, Paul Street, Cork. Phone 021 4275136.

Envelope Collection

Mission Sunday Collection for the Propagation of the Faith will be taken up at all Masses on the weekend of 21st and 22nd October, 2006

Mission Sunday

This weekend we celebrate **Mission Sunday**. At this time we are invited to support the work of missionaries abroad by prayer and financial help. The collection in our church this weekend is to help and aid the continuing work of missionaries throughout the world and your support is very appreciated.

While the emphasis and the collection is for the mission to the whole world overseas or 'foreign missions', people are also invited to share their faith with those newcomers from the whole world who have come to live among us.

49th Cork Ballincollig Scout Group

Over the last couple of weeks all the sections have been very busy. The Tuesday night Macoimh went on their first hike, which was to Mullinassig waterfall, the Macoimh first set up their sites and then had a game of lives, then with the help of some of the older scouts, they lit fires and cooked sausages. After lunch they built min. rafts and sailed them down the river, they cleaned up the site and they returned to the Scout Hall. The Scouts had their first activity, which was a cycle hike in Killarney. The patrols with their Patrol Leaders were given grid references around the National Park, which they had to follow. Lunch was had on mets. stoves and the scouts then went on around the lake and cycled back to the bus. The Friday night Macoimh held an overnight in the hall and on the Saturday took the train down to Fota a great day was had by all.

Hospitality meets its greatest test when a new idea drops by uninvited

Reminder

This years A.G.M. of the Group will take place at the Scout Hall on Wednesday 25th October at 8 pm.

Brú Columbanus – Fund Raising

Is a charity that provides accommodation free of charge to families of critically ill persons who are patients of any of the Cork City Hospitals and Hospice, in particular, relatives of sick children.

We are holding a Flower Festival on the 10th, 11th and 12th November which will be opened by the Lord Mayor, Councillor Michael Ahern on Friday the 10th November.

We are an independent charity and rely totally on donations and fundraising initiatives for all the house's running costs. Since we opened last October over 400 families have availed of our service.

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MINISTERS OF THE WORD

Oct-28 & Oct-29-2006

St. Mary & St. John Christ Our Light

6:00 pm (Vigil)
Sandra Walsh
8:30 am
Pat Fennell
10:00 am
Tony Hegarty
12:00 Noon
Declan Chalmers

8:00 pm (Vigil)
Rosarie Cotter
Louise McGrath
11:00 am
Dave Murphy
12:30 pm
Dick Beamish
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

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Fr. Sean O'Driscoll C.C.	021-4870434
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MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST

Oct-28 & Oct-29-2006

St. Mary & St. John Christ Our Light

6.00 pm	Eileen Murphy Ted Nelligan Angela Murphy Ann O'Connell Sheila Walshe Betty Sheehan	8:00 pm	John O'Donoghue Mary Dineen Kathleen Daly
8:30 am	Helen Kelly Annette Murphy Mary O'Connor	11:00 am	Mary O'Mahony Mona Bowen Billy Barry Mary Aylward
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
12 Noon	John Walshe Pat Kelleher Irene O'Brien Ellen O'Sullivan Chris Cotter Sally Crowley	5:30 pm	Garreth Irish Sheia Curran



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Thursday	9.30 – 5.00 pm
Friday	9.30 – 5.00 pm
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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