

# THE BALLINCOLLIG PARISHIONER



**St. Mary & St. John  
Station Road**

**Sunday 23-September-2007**

**Twenty Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

*Jesus lamented the fact that the 'children of light' are not as astute at doing good as the wicked are at looking after themselves. It may be that some of our ineffectiveness in doing good arises from a lack of total commitment to God. We cannot have it both ways; self- concerned and love of God don't mix.*



**Christ Our Light  
Innishmore**

## NEW BEGINNINGS

The month of September involves change and new beginnings for many people. For young people and children it means new schools, new class, new teacher, new friends and endless possibilities for our lives to develop. For senior citizens, its hopefully means the restart of various activities, that enrich the lives of the less active. For others it may mean new family situations, family members moving out of home, new neighbours moving in next door or across the road, old tasks faced with new heart. Some things never change as evidenced by Kerry's victory in All Ireland football final.

Change brings anxiety but it also brings an opportunity for enrichment. September is a time to re-focus on the wonder of family, to nurture the bonds, to heal the hurts with understanding, to treasure again each one for their uniqueness. September is also the time to reach out to neighbours and community. The parish community depends on the voluntary efforts of many parishioners. Thankfully the parish of Ballincollig is blessed with many volunteers, sincere thanks to all you contribute to the life of the parish through their voluntary efforts. Many others are needed in the various ministries Word, Eucharist, Alter Serving, Choirs, Cantors and Musicians, collectors, Parents to help with the children's Mass and Parish Council members.

The Parish Council is very important structure in the parish, that promotes an understanding of Parish community as being all the baptised. Through the gifts, talents, dedication of the people of God and the working of the Holy Spirit a welcoming, caring, prayerful and Christ centred community is built. The parish council acknowledges the vital role of the Baptised in the parish and provides a forum for people to give their opinions, hear the opinions of others and become actively involved in building a Christian community and supporting those already involved in that work.

The membership of the Parish council is renewed every three years, this year is an opportunity for people to become involved and also to encourage others to give of their time and talents.

**George O'Mahony**

**Belief:** Trust yourself, then you will know how to live. *Gothe*

## PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL

### Priest

Let us ask God for all that we need, trusting in God's care for each of us.

### Reader

For all who serve the church as pastors and leaders, that the Spirit of God may guide and inspire them.

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

For civic leaders, and for all who govern and make our laws, that they may be gifted with wisdom and prudence.

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

For victims of injustice, and for those who feel abandoned, that they may be treated with kindness and compassion.

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

For children and young people, that they may grow in wisdom and grace.

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

For the intentions of all here present.

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

For our beloved dead, and for those whose anniversaries occur at this time. May they rest in peace.

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

### Priest

God of glory and majesty, you constantly care for your people. Hear these, our prayers, in the name of Jesus, your Son, who is Lord forever and ever.  
Amen.

*Praise the Lord, who raises the poor.*

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**BAPTISMS**

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

Ryan Patrick Kennedy-Casey, 12 Holly Road, Muskerry Est.  
 Gavin Patrick Fitzpatrick, 24 The Ceders, Bridewood.  
 David Paul Fitzpatrick, 24 The Ceders, Bridewood.  
 Amy Karen O'Connell, 13 Ashton Court.  
 Cian Patrick O'Connor, 38 Wyndham Downs.  
 Sean Patrick Joseph Murphy, 35 Berryfields, Classis Lake.  
 Colin Patrick Yezierski, 19 An Caislean Drive.  
 Saoirse Kate Hallissey, 3 The Brambles, Classis Lake.  
 Emma Izediuno, 71 An Caislean Drive.  
 Daragh Michael English, 15 The Oaks, Classis Lake.  
 Ciara Doris Walsh Bremner, 39 The Brambles, Classis Lake.  
 Laura Michelle O'Connell, Greenfields.  
 Maeve Clare Lonergan, 17 Grange Glen, Grange Manor.  
 Callum Anthony Caplice, 26 Limeworth.  
 Joseph Ciarán Cotter, 25 Aisling Close.  
 Olivia Crabowska, 6 The Grove, Coolroe Meadows.  
 Damian Cian Clancy, 28 Aisling Close.  
 Deirdre Colette Moloney, Upper Leemount.  
 Chloe Mary McGrath, 22 Waltham Abbey, Old Quarter & Boston.  
 Conor Nicolas Paul Vencuiel, 143 Lee View.  
 Jenna Claire McArdle, 6 Prospect Lawn, Coolroe.  
 Oisín John O'Hea, 31 Ridgewood Close, Swords, Co. Dublin.  
 Cathal Brien Murphy, 2 Chestnut Grove, Classis Lake.  
 Caitlyn Autumn Telford, 11 The Grove, Coolroe Meadows.  
 Luke Ryan Telford, 11 The Grove, Coolroe Meadows.  
 Matthew Alan Telford, 11 The Grove, Coolroe Meadows.  
 Vivian Chidims Christopher, 8 Leslies Arch, Old Quarter.  
 Fintan Niall O'Mahony, 62 Fern Walk, Greenfields.  
 Oskar Wladyslan Pikula, 7 Willow Grove.  
 Megan Alice O'Flynn, 48 Fern Walk, Greenfields.  
 David Michael Cronin, 59 Fern Walk, Greenfields.  
 Callum James Carter, An Neamh, Coolroe.  
 Kate Anne Likely, 108 Coopers Grange, Old Quarter.  
 Samuel Daniel O'Sullivan, 1 Westbury Heights, Coolroe.  
 Caoimhe Ann Lynch, 137 An Caislean.  
 Aaron Paul Mason, 1 Manor Hill.  
 Caotan James Walsh, 17 Elm Lawn, Muskerry Est.  
 Aimee Mary Louise Flagan, 17 Parknamore Rise.

† **IN SYMPATHY** †

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

Ehis Obode, Nigeria.  
 Mary Kelleher, Poulavone.  
 Eileen Coleman, Redemption Road.  
 Frank O'Brien, Wyndham Downs.  
 John Corcoran, Manor Hill.  
 Siobhan O'Connell, Lima Lawn, Glasheen Road.

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

Cecelia Pauline Leahy, Lee View.  
 Fr. Sean Murphy, Station Road, Carrigrohane.  
 Christine Coady, Rosewood Est.  
 Margaret O'Leary, St. Eden's Road, Gurranebraher.  
 Dan & Margaret Murphy, Knockburden.  
 Bridget & Bertie Owens, Glanmire.  
 Michael Riordan, Glasheen.  
 Josephine Teelin, Kells, Co. Meath.  
 James Teelin, Crossmaglen.  
 Josephine Naughton, Adare, Co. Limerick.  
 Jimmy McGrath, Bansha, Tipperary.

**READINGS FOR THE WEEK**

**Twenty Fifth Week In Ordinary Time**

23 Sunday Am. 8:4-7. Ps. 112. 1 Tim. 2: 1-8. Lk. 16: 1-13. Lect I: 910  
 24 Monday Ezra 1:1-6. Ps. 125. Lk. 8:16-18. Lect II: 325  
 25 Tuesday Ezra 6:7-8.12.14-20 Ps 121 Lk 8:19-21 Lect II: 327  
 26 Wednesday Ezra 9:5-9. Ps. Tob. 13:2-8. Lk. 9: 1-6. Lect II: 329  
 27 Thursday Hag. 1:1-8. Ps. 149. Lk. 9:7-9. Lect II: 331  
 28 Friday Hag. 1:15-2:9. Ps. 42. Lk. 9:18-22. Lect II: 333  
 29 Saturday Dan. 7:9-10; 13-14. or Apoc. 12:7-12. Ps. 137. In. 1 :47-51. Lect II: 1205

**Next Sunday's Readings 30-September-2007**

Am. 6:1, 4-7. Ps. 145. 1 Tim. 6:11-16. Lk. 16:19- 31. Lect I: 914

**Reflection for Parents**

Children learn at a young age that "buying friends" is a possibility. Even we adults use our resources to entertain friends. How often do we do things with our friends that we think will build our relationships by spending money either on food, entertainment, or gifts? The point of this Gospel is to help us remember that the most important way we can use our resources is in the service of others. From time to time, as we see our children selecting elaborate birthday gifts for a friend, or wanting to include friends in an expensive form of entertainment, we may need to remind them and ourselves of the message in today's Gospel.

**St. Vincent de Paul**

Would you like to speak, in complete confidence, to a member of the St. Vincent de Paul Society?

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 or SVP Tuckey St., Cork: 021 4270444

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**THE SUNDAY READINGS**

First Reading: Amos 8:4-7  
We are called to act with justice.

Second Reading: 1 Timothy 2:1-8  
Paul reminds us to think of others and to pray for them.

Gospel: Luke 16:1-13  
At first, it would seem that this Gospel passage praises dishonesty, but in fact, it gives credit for a clever and quick response. There was a man who managed the land for his master. What his misdeeds were not quite clear, but something had gone wrong in their relationship and the manager was about to be fired. Not physically able to dig ditches and too proud to beg, the manager worried about how he would live. In a quick response, he went to all the people who owed his master produce and had them change their bills to reflect a lesser amount. In this way, the people who saved money would welcome the manager into their homes once he had been fired. The master wasn't rewarding the manager for his dishonesty, but for his cleverness and quick thinking. The point Jesus wanted to make with this parable was to let the crowd know that they should be wise in their use of the world's goods, because if they are used selfishly, they will fail us. However, if we share our resources with others, true wealth will await us in the Kingdom. The final point of Jesus' words was that we cannot serve two masters, God and money.

**Bulletin Board**

**Mass Book**

Diaries to book Mass intentions for October, November & December 2007 are open in both churches.

**Envelope Collection**

Education Fund (Students for the Priesthood)  
This Weekend 23rd & 24th September

**Confirmation dates for 2008**

Scoil Eoin,	Monday, 7 <sup>th</sup> April
Scoil Barra	Monday, 14 <sup>th</sup> April
Our Lady of Good Counsel	Monday, 14 <sup>th</sup> April
Scoil Mhuire	Thursday, 17 <sup>th</sup> April
Gaelscoil Ui Riordáin	Monday, 19 <sup>th</sup> May

**First Holy Communion dates for 2008**

Scoil Eoin,	Saturday, 24 <sup>th</sup> May
Scoil Barra	Saturday, 17 <sup>th</sup> May
Our Lady of Good Counsel	Saturday, 17 <sup>th</sup> May
Scoil Mhuire	Saturday, 26 <sup>th</sup> April
Gaelscoil Ui Riordáin	Saturday, 10 <sup>th</sup> May

**Children's Mass**

The Children's Mass will resumed on Sunday 16th September at 11 am in Christ Our Light. The Children of 2<sup>nd</sup> class go to the crying room at the beginning of Mass there they celebrate Liturgy of the Word in child friendly fashion - word searches, colouring and maze search are some of the methods used. Volunteers are welcome and needed to help. Training and practice will be given. Parents are welcome to join their Children for the celebration of the Word of God.

I am inviting Parents of First Communion children to please try and bring Children to this Mass. Bringing your Child to the Sunday Mass is an important preparation for your Child's First Holy Communion.

**Fr. George**

**Monkstown Heritage Flower Festival**

At Sacred Heart Church, Monkstown, Co. Cork 28<sup>th</sup> – 30<sup>th</sup> September 2007, in aid of Monkstown Church Restoration Fund. Public viewing Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> from 11.00am to 5.30pm and Sunday 10.00am to 5.00pm. Tea and coffee will be served in Scoil Barra Naofa Primary School. Donation €10 includes programme, tea/coffee.

***Ballincollig Parish  
Bereavement Support***

The eight week Bereavement Support Programme will commence in the Parish on Tuesday, 2<sup>nd</sup> October. This Programme will be held in a small group setting. If you have experienced loss and would like further information, please do not hesitate to contact Sr. Colette O'Leary, (Tel: 086.3557375) or the Parish Office, before 25<sup>th</sup> September.

***“Mothers’ Prayers”***

Mothers, grandmothers, godmothers come together for approximately 30 minutes once a week to pray for children at one of the following Venues:

*Meeting Room at Christ our Light Church  
Wednesdays at 10.30 a.m.*

or

*The Annex of the Parish Hall  
Thursday mornings at 10.00 a.m.*

**Please note change of time at The Annex**

You are most welcome to come along either of these mornings.  
*Sr Colette O'Leary*

***Annual Pilgrimage Gougane Barra***

The annual pilgrimage to St. Finbarr's Oratory, Gougane Barra, takes place on Sunday 30th September. The traditional pilgrimage honours St Finbarr, patron saint of Cork.

Rosary will be recited at 2.30 pm and Mass will be celebrated at 3 pm at the oratory. The principal celebrant is Bishop John Buckley and the homily will be preached by Canon Michael Riordan, PP Togher.

**GAM-ANON**

Open Public Meeting

Dominican Centre, Popes Quay  
Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> September at 8.15 pm

All Welcome

Help for people affected by someone's gambling

***Special Day of Prayer in Knock***

Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> October 2007

Commencing 2.15 pm with Stations of the Cross followed by Rosary Procession and Mass at 3.00 pm.

Bus from Ballincollig €20.00

Contact Tony O'Neill (021) 4501667

**MINISTERS OF THE WORD**

Sep-29 & Sep-30-2007

**St. Mary & St. John**

**Christ Our Light**

**6:00 pm (Vigil)**  
Karen Sheehan  
Padraig Graham  
**8:30 am**  
Pat Fennell  
**10:00 am**  
Tony Hegarty  
William Green  
**12:00 Noon**  
Oliver O'Donovan

**8:00 pm (Vigil)**  
Rebecca Feely  
Jessica Lingard  
**11:00 am**  
Meabh Nic Mheanmain  
**12:30 pm**  
Bernard Vallely  
**5:30 pm**  
Phil O'Connell

**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  
Except First Saturday of  
Month

**Saturday**

4:30 pm  
First Saturday of Month

12:45 pm

**Sunday**

**PARISH CLERGY**

**Priest on Duty 087-2479140**

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**Fr. Michael O'Mahony C.C. 021-4877161**

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**Fr. Ted Sheehan 021-4876171**

**MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST**

Sep-29 & Sep-30-2007



**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  
Sheila O'Connor  
Elizabeth O'Sullivan

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Creativity: When you cease to dream, you cease to live. *Malcolm S. Forbes*

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**Monday**

**Closed**

Tuesday 9.30 – 5.00 pm

Wednesday 10.30 – 5.00 pm

Thursday 9.30 – 5.00 pm

**Friday 9.30 – 5.00 pm**

Saturday 9.30 – 12.30 pm

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