

THE BALLINCOLLIG PARISHIONER



St. Mary & St. John
Station Road

Sunday 24-June-2012

Twelfth Sunday In Ordinary Time

No matter what the trials in this life may be, we are assured of God's love for us. St. Matthew in today's Gospel tells us not to be afraid. What greater reassurance is needed.



Christ Our Light
Innishmore

Twelfth Sunday of the Year.

This year the feast of John the Baptist takes precedence in the Sunday liturgy. The little boy couldn't wait to get to school. He had great news to share with his teacher and classmates. In the class room he could scarcely contain himself. As soon as he got a chance, his hand shot up. Miss, he said, "we have got a new baby in our house - I have a new baby sister!" The birth of a baby is an occasion for rejoicing, not only for sisters and brothers but also for parents, uncles and aunts, for friends and neighbours. But it is also a time that invites questions, not only commonplace ones, like "who is she like?" "what did he weigh?" but also more thoughtful one's, like "what will she make of life when she grows up?".

"What will this child turn out to be?", they asked when John was born. A similar question might have been asked about us. Like John, we were known to God before we were born. Shortly after our birth a marvel awaited most of us, through the sacrament of baptism we began to share in God's life, became the family of God with a destiny of happiness and eternal life. Now, like John we are called to decrease so that Christ may increase in us, and bear witness to him by the way we live our lives. John's birthday can help us to draw strength from his heroic courage and to be inspired in our own small way, to continue his work, enabling the bright light of Christ to shine out more brilliantly in our world.

Last Sunday at the close of the Eucharistic Congress Pope Benedict spoke of the 50 years since the commencement of the Vatican council. The Pope said "based upon a deepening appreciation of the sources of liturgy, the council promoted the full and active participation of the faithful in the Eucharistic sacrifice. At our distance today, from the council fathers expressed desires regarding liturgical renewal, which was intended to make it easier for us to enter into the inner depth of the mystery, to lead us to a personal encounter with the Lord present in the Eucharist, it is dear a great deal has been achieved, but much remains to be done In the path of liturgical renewal." That is a challenge for each of us and especially as a parish community.

Last Sunday 104 people left Ballincollig on the way to the closing of the Eucharistic Congress in Croke Park. The day was a great experience, very well organised and prayerful. Sincere thanks to the group of people who organised the trip from Ballincollig.

George O'Mahony

Reflection for Parents

As an old saying goes, "If you don't stand for something, you'll fall for anything." This is not only the message we need to convey to our children, but through our own actions, they will see that we believe this to be true. Sometimes we have to take an unpopular stand with our children when we know that they are being tempted by their peers and culture. You will find among parents of older children, that your children will one day express their gratitude for your courage.

PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL

Priest

Let us with confidence bring our needs before the Lord, knowing that he will listen to our cries as Jesus listened to the cry of the sick man in the synagogue.

Reader

For the Pope and the bishops: that they may preach the Gospel with authority

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

For all who hold public office: that their deeds may match their words.

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

For victims of broken promises.

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

For those who are suffering from mental illness, and for those who care for them.

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

For all gathered here: that our lives may bear witness to the faith we profess with our lips.

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

For a moment, we remember in silence our own particular needs.

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

Priest

Lord, grant that what we have said with our lips, we may believe in our hearts, and practice with our lives. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

In Your Great Love, Answer Me, O God.

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BAPTISMS

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

Charlotte Sophia Wynne, Cherry Walk, Muskerry Estate.
Roxanne Nelly Horgan, River Towers, Lee Road.

† IN SYMPATHY †

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

Monika Leane, Innishmore.
Christy O'Mahony, Carriganarra / Coventry.
Nancy Riordan, Old Blackrock Road / Lough South.
Jerome O'Sullivan, Barretts Building & O'Donovan Crescent.

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

Vincent, Bridget & Frank Moran, Mayo / London.
William Curran, Glincool.
Finbarr Dalton, Flynn's Cross.
Tom & Maurice Lee, Kilfinane.
Kathleen Lehane, Renaniree.
Charles Jenkins, Glincool & Macroom.
Barry Kelly, The Crescent.
Kathleen Murray, Carrigrohane.
Timothy Murphy, Castle Avenue.
Albert & Maureen Donovan, Clonakilty.
Angela O'Connell, Westgate.
Pat Mcgrath, Glasheen.
Vincent McLoughlin, Sligo.
Daniel McSweeney, Cathedral Road.
John & Lena Gaffney, Carrigrohane.
Nora & Jimmy Barrett, Doneraile.
Denis Mannix Junior, Doneraile.
Frank & Margaret McCarthy, Poulavone.
Mai Spillane, Glenflesk.
Michael Sheehan, Westgate Bishopstown.
Lawerence O'Flynn, Lyras Aherla.

Cancer Risks, Did you know?

- Ireland has among the highest skin cancer rates in Europe.
- Two-thirds of Irish people have a higher risk of developing Skin Cancer because of their skin type.
- 90% of all skin cancers are preventable
- Damage to the skin by the sun is permanent. In later life this can lead to skin cancer.
- For the majority of the population, 10-15 minutes daily exposure of the face and hands to the sun and adequate diet provides a sufficient level of vitamin D.
- Skin damage is caused by exposure to ultraviolet rays, which are strongest from 11 am to 3 pm.
- The number of skin cancer cases is rising every year.

Data courtesy of Irish Cancer Foundation

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Twelfth Week In Ordinary Time

24 Sunday Jer, 20:10-13. Ps. 68. Rom. 5:12-15. Mt. 10:26-33. Lect I: 668

25 Monday 2 Kgs 17:5-8, 13-15, 18. Ps. 59. Mt. 7:1-5. Lect II: 601

26 Tuesday Is. 49: 1-6. Ps. 138. Acts 13:22-26. Lk. 1 :57-66, 80. Lect I: 976 or Lect II: 1073

27 Wednesday 2 Kgs 22:8-13,23:1-3. Ps. 118. Mt. 7:21-29. Lect II: 606

28 Thursday 2 Kgs 24:8-17. Ps 78. Mt 7:2 1-29. Lect II: 608

29 Friday 2 Kgs 25: 1-12. Ps. 136. Mt. 8: 1-4. Lect II: 610

30 Saturday Jam. 2:2.10-14, 18-19. Ps. 73. Mt. 8:5-17. Lect II: 613

Next Sunday's Readings 01-July-2012

Wis 1: 13-15, 2:23-24. Ps 29:2, 4-6, 11-13, R/ v 2. 2 Cor 8:7, 9,13-15. Mk 5:21-43

Innishmore Family Centre

At the heart of the Community, for all Children for 25 Years!

Now taking bookings for the FREE 2012 ECCE pre-school Government Scheme

- Innishmore Family Centre provides FREE pre-school education to all children between 3 years 3 months and 4 years 6 months (on the 1st September each year)
- Every child is entitled to 15 hours per week for 38 weeks
- Innishmore Family Centre provides your child with a Aistear/Highscope pre-school education for 3 hours a day, 5 days a week for 38 weeks preparing your child for a seamless entry to junior school.

Enrolling NOW so contact Mary or Rita for further information and to register your child.

Contact 021 4810481

or email innishmorefamilycentre@eircom.net

Thank You

The editorial team of the Parishioner would like to thank our advertisers and contributors for their support during the year. Publication of the Ballincollig Parishioner will resume after the summer break on Sunday 9th September 2012.

To all our readers have a safe & wonderful summer
Con, Tom, Pat & Karen

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THE SUNDAY READINGS

First Reading: Jeremiah 20:10-13
 Jeremiah found comfort and strength in the Lord though his friends sought to trap him and take vengeance on him. He praised God and entrusted his cause to the Lord.

Second Reading: Romans 5:12-15
 Paul the apostle believed death entered the world through sin, but life comes as a gracious gift from God through Jesus Christ.

Gospel: Matthew 10:26-33
 There are people who do not yet know the Good News. Jesus assured his disciples and us that we will bring the light of the Kingdom into their darkness by sharing Jesus with them. Even if some people, even our families, ridicule us for our proclamation, God will care for us until the end.

Age Action

Age Action's Getting Started classes for over 55s have now helped many older people in Cork and West Cork to grow in confidence about using a computer. Many older people have gained in confidence and taking control of this tool of learning and communication and are able, through it, to be more in touch with their families, to save money, to pursue new hobbies and most importantly to get their voice heard by their Government. Age Action are an Advocacy for older people and we are calling all over 55s to pluck up the courage to follow their peers into the 21st Century. It's not half as scary as it looks, and it's "wasted on the young!" In fun classes, you can learn one on one, at your own pace, to put the computer to use. For more information and to register for courses happening all throughout the summer, contact Julie on 0871956026 or 0214536556.

*Celebrating 20 years working with older people
 Positive Ageing Week 28 September to 6 October 2012*

Knock Summer Festival

Is a one day event taking place on the **28th-July-2012**. It is for all young people between the ages of **17-30**. On this day young people will come together in a faith setting and to deepen their relationship with Christ, explore, ignite and celebrate their faith. The event will have **interactive talks, prayer, testimonies from young people, drama and music**. We will finish the day with the celebration of the Eucharist, with a step by step guide to the new translation. There will also be a lot of time for young people to engage in conversation, reflect on what they have heard, chill out and have fun!

THE THEME IS "ONE"

The theme of this year's festival is 'ONE'. We will be concentrating on three themes of ONE in relation to the Church. One Love, One Community, One Body

Groups & Cost

The festival is free of charge, we are also offering free accommodation for groups over 10, we are also encouraging groups to stay and climb Croagh Patrick on the 29th Reek Sunday. Join us for a pilgrimage to the West!

Bulletin Board

Mass Diary

Diaries to book intentions July, August, and September are now open in both churches.

Peter's Pence Collection

The annual Peter's Pence collection will be taken up at all Masses this weekend. Please place your donations in the envelopes provided.

Eucharistic Congress

Sincere thanks for your generosity last Sunday. The special collection towards the cost of the Eucharistic Congress amounted to €3,186.00 . Well done to everybody.

Taize

On July 12th 54 young people from the parish , accompanied by 5 adults will travel to Taize Last year a very successful trip took place. For the past seven years many young people are involved in the Parish of Ballincollig as Ministers of the Word and Music. There are at present nearly 200 young people active in the life of the parish. The young people are prepared on a weekly basis to proclaim the Word of God for Saturday and Sunday. Various services on Bible study and prayer have been organised over the years. Those involved in Music in the parish attend music workshops including several trips to Knockadoon. Trips were arranged to Gougane Barra, Glendalough etc. Planning for this trip started in January 2012. Child Protection standards had to be met, travelling and accommodation arrangements made well in advance. Several information meetings for parents and teenagers on Taize were held.
 Fr. George.

St Vincent De Paul

The next collection for St.Vincent De Paul will take place the weekend of July 14th /15th

Special Collection

Ballincollig Parishioner & Mass Missalette
 An **EXIT COLLECTION** will be taken up after all Masses on the weekend of 7th & 8th July. Your Contribution will help towards the purchasing of the Mass Missalette and the printing costs of The Parishioner.

Prayer to your Guardian Angel

O Angel of God,
 my guardian dear,
 to whom God's love commits me here,
 ever this day be at my side,
 to light and guard, to rule and guide.
 Amen.

To be able to discover the actual will of the Lord in our lives always involves the following: a receptive listening to the Word of God and the Church, fervent and constant prayer, recourse to a wise spiritual guide, and a faithful discernment of the gifts and talents given by God, as well as the diverse social and historic situations in which one lives.

Pope John Paul II

MINISTERS OF THE WORD

Jun-30 & Jul-01-2012

St. Mary & St. John

Christ Our Light

6:00 pm (Vigil)
Sandra Walsh
Brian Hennessy
8:30 am
Triona Downey

10:00 am
Eileen O'Connell
Diandra Buckley
12:00 Noon
Sean Hennessy
Shane Lehane

7:30 pm (Vigil)
Pauline Collins
Niall Cronin
11:00 am
Jack Dorgan

12:30 pm
Kay Carew
Jane O'Leary
5:30 pm
Siobhan Keane-Hopcraft

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

7:30 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

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Troubled by someone else's drinking?

Try Al-anon. Local Meetings S V de P Centre Station Road
Thursdays 8.30 pm. Phone: 021 4311899.

SMA Parish Centre Wilton

6-Week Course on Building Confidence. Cost €70
Starts Wednesday 4 July at 7.30 pm - 9.30 pm

Mindfulness/Meditation 1-Day Course
Saturday, 30 June - 10 am - 4 pm. Cost €50.

Angels Workshop: Saturday 7 July - 10-4 pm. Cost €60

Details from Mary Wade: 087 4187447



MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST

Jun-30 & Jul-01-2012

St. Mary & St. John

Christ Our Light

6.00 pm Eileen Murphy
Ted Nelligan
Eileen Corkery
Maurice Bunyan
Sheila Walshe
Ann McCarthy

7:30 pm John O'Donoghue
Mary Dineen
Kathleen Daly
Mairead Keenan
Kay O'Sullivan

8:30 am Helen Kelly
Mary O'Connor
Michael Crowley

11:00 am Mary O'Mahony
Mona Bowen
Billy Barry
Mary Aylward
Pauline Baston

10:00 am Fionnuala McDonagh
Mary Buckley
Fiona Kelly
Mary O'Regan
Teresa O'Driscoll
Martin O'Leary

12:30 pm Mary Twomey
Maura O'Driscoll
Mary Lehane
Dympna Byrne
Suzanne Leech

12 Noon Ann-Marie Cosgrove
Phil Kennedy
Ellen O'Sullivan
Ursula McAuliffe
Sally Crowley

5:30 pm Shelia Curran
Elizabeth O'Sullivan

Dobre wieści na dzisiaj / Good News for Today

Jezus Chrystus, który po przywołaniu do siebie dwunastu apostołów i udzieleniu im władzy nad duchami nieczystymi i władzy leczenia wszystkich chorób, przed wysłaniem ich z konkretną misją zapewnia, że choć spotkają ich trudności, to jednak powinni ufać Ojcu Niebieskiemu. Czy w moim życiu jest obecna bojaźń Boża, czy lęk przed wrogimi mi ludźmi? Czy boję się tych, którzy mogą mnie skrzywdzić swoim językiem czy postawami, czy też mam odwagę do pokonania tego typu lęków? Bać się Boga oznacza liczyć się z Nim w naszym życiu, zachowując Jego przykazania. Taki człowiek, który boi się Boga, nie potrzebuje bać się ludzi. Prośmy, byśmy jako uczniowie Chrystusa nie tylko zachowywali naszą wiarę, ale żyjąc nią, także odważnie ją wyznawali i o niej świadczyli. Prośmy o głęboką ufność w Bożą Opatrzność w naszej codzienności.

Jesus Christ before sending his disciples them with the specific mission is ensuring them, that even though problems will meet them, they should not be afraid of people but trust the Heavenly Father. Am I afraid of the people who can hurt me with their gossips or attitudes, whether I have courage for overcoming fears of this type? To fear God means to take him into account in our life, keeping his commandment. Such a man who fears God, doesn't need to be afraid of people. Let us ask as Christ's disciples not only to preserve our faith, but living it, courageously confesses it and attested to it. Let us ask for the deep confidence in the God's Providence in our everyday life.