

# THE BALLINCOLLIG PARISHIONER



St. Mary & St. John  
Station Road

Sunday 25-November-2012

**Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, Universal King**

*The kingship of Christ, is not to be seen in terms of any kind of political control or domination. It is not of this world. His rule comes from obedience to the Father and total service of people, unto death. It is the power of God over death and evil, promised to all who commit themselves in faith to him.*



Christ Our Light  
Innishmore

## Feast of Christ the King

Today on the Last Sunday of the liturgical year we celebrate the feast of Christ the King.

In our second Reading from the Book of the Apocalypse, the reading speaks of Jesus as the faithful witness, who has washed away our sins with his blood. Because of his great love for us, he came into our world to save us. He proclaims the kingdom of God, the kingdom of holiness and grace, of justice, love and peace.

In the Gospel we hear Jesus and Pilate speak of two different kingdoms. Jesus answers Pilate, the Roman governor's questions by declaring that he was a king, but not of this world. He did not come to rule over peoples and territories, but to set people free from the slavery of sin and to reconcile them with God. He says: 'For this I was born, and for this I have come into the world, to bear witness to the truth. Everyone who is on the side of truth hears my voice'. For thirty years, he lived unrecognised in a village and carried out the daily work of a carpenter. For three years he travelled around with a group of disciples; he healed the sick, he forgave sinners and was not afraid to challenge injustices. Christ's kingship is one of humility and service. In his unflinching witness to the truth, Christ our King ruled with compassion and justice.

The Kingdom of God is among us. He reigns in each of our hearts. He is always there for us and ready to help us on our journey through life. We can say we really belong to his Kingdom when we try to walk with him, when we try to live our lives fully in the spirit of the Gospel, and when like him, we struggle to make our world a world of truth, justice, compassion and peace. We ask him to remember us in his Kingdom; to give us the grace to remain faithful to him in the midst of the struggles we meet in our daily lives and that we may recognize and welcome him when he stands knocking at the door of our hearts.

*Sr. Colette*

## Thought for Today

The values of God's Kingdom help us explain to our children what kind of king Jesus is when we claim him to be "Christ the King." Everywhere in our world and private lives, we can find examples of Christ the King of peace, the King of justice, hope, goodness and love. Jesus said he came into the world to give evidence of his father's love. Consider how much your love for your child gives evidence of God's love, and how your life is an example to your children of the many different kinds of "kingship" claimed by Jesus.

## St. Vincent de Paul Annual Appeal

Annual Christmas Collection will take place at all Masses on Saturday and Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup> December.

## PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL

### Priest

God is king over all the earth. Let us pray for the coming of the kingdom as Jesus taught us.

### Reader

For all Christians: that they may grow in the knowledge and the love of Christ the King.

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

For world leaders: that they may work for a more just and a more human world.

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

For those who worship idols: that they may come to know, love and serve the one true God.

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

For unbelievers: that the light of faith may shine on them.

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

For all those who are suffering persecution in the cause of justice, or because of their allegiance to Christ.

**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

God of power and love, help us, to be loyal and true followers of Christ on earth, so that we may share his glory in the kingdom of heaven, where he lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God for ever and ever. Amen.

*The Lord is king, with majesty enrobed.*

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**BAPTISMS**

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

Stephanie Samuel, The Elms, Classes Lake.  
 Brian Joey Basilan, The Elms, Classes Lake.  
 Maisie Kate O'Neill, Leeddale Drive.  
 Charlie Finbar Cogan, The Green, Coolroe Meadows.  
 Oliwier Franciszek Krysztof, Highfield Court.

**† IN SYMPATHY †**

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

Bella Maverley, Inniscarra View & Evergreen Street.  
 Ann Hogan, Willowfield.  
 John Herlihy; Inchigeela.

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

Pauline O'Callaghan, West Village.  
 Martin Mulhern, Coolroe Heights.  
 Tommy Daly, Leemount.  
 Christopher Callanan, Muskerry Estate.  
 Tadgh & Maureen O'Callaghan, The Lough.  
 William Murphy, Kilmichael.  
 Daniel & Eva Spillane, Westcourt Heights.  
 Eileen O'Flynn, Aherla  
 Philip & Nora Holland, Bishopstown.  
 Thomas Farrell, Beech Park.  
 Breda Murphy, Inniscarra View.  
 Patrick & Mary Murphy, Bantry.  
 John Buttimer, Dunmanway & Church View.  
 Charlie McCarthy, Gloun, Dunmanway.  
 Patrick & Annie Murray, Curraheen.  
 Dec. members of Aherne family, Fr. Sexton Park.  
 Stephen O'Sullivan, Ballincollig & Blackpool.  
 Richard & Con Murphy, Clash.  
 Lily O'Riordan, Beech Park.  
 Dec. members of O'Mahony family, Newcestown.  
 Kitty, William & Denis O'Mahony, Tudor Grove.  
 Michael & Jenny Keohane, Boherbue.  
 Denis Carroll, Cloghduv.  
 Michael Hennigan, Station Cross.  
 Hugh Collins, Innishmore Drive & Dunmanway.

***The Year of Faith***

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament will take place in St Finbarr's Oratory, Gougane Barra, for the four Sundays of Advent from 10 am to 4 pm.

**Dyslexia Association of Ireland – Cork Branch**

Information Meeting on  
 "Accommodations for Junior & Leaving Cert. Exams and Appeal Processes"

Venue: Bishopstown Community School

**Date: Monday 26<sup>th</sup> Nov. 2012**

**Time: 7.30 pm** Admission\_€10.00

**READINGS FOR THE WEEK**

**Last Week In Ordinary Time**

25 Sunday Dan 7:13-14. Ps 92. Apoc 1:5-8. Jn 18:33-37. Lect I: 829

26 Monday Apoc 14:1-5. Ps23. Lk 21:1-4. Lect II: 889

27 Tuesday Apoc 14:14-19. Ps 95. Lk 21:5-11. Lect II: 890

28 Wednesday Apoc 15:1-4. Ps97. Lk. 21:12-19. Lect II: 892

29 Thursday Apoc. 18:1-2, 21-23, 19:1-3, 9. Ps. 99. Lk. 21:20- 28. Lect II: 894

30 Friday Rom 10:9-18. Ps18. Mt 4:18-22. Lect II: 1279

01 Saturday Apoc 22:1-7. Ps 94. Lk 21:34-36. Lect II: 899

**Next Sunday's Readings 02-December-2012**

Jer. 33: 14-16. PS. 24. 1 Thess. 3: 12-4:2. LK. 21 :25- 28,34-36. Lect I: 8

**Scoil Eoin**

Recycle and Support Your Local National School

We're having a new & used clothing collection! The school will receive €5.50 per each 10 kg bag of clothes and €2.00 per each old mobile phone.

Will collect: New & Used Men's, Women's & Children's Clothing, Shoes, Belts, Handbags, Ties, Linens Household Textiles, Stuffed Toys, etc.

**(Any Condition Once They Are Clean)**

Mobile Phones must be placed in a separate bag

**Monday December 3<sup>rd</sup>**

Collection between 8:30 am & 9:30 am

Or bring to School on Friday 30<sup>th</sup> November between 2 pm & 3 pm.

**Ennismore Retreat Centre**

Advent Prayer Course taking place on three Tuesday evenings at 7.30 pm. on the 4th, 11th & 18th December with Fr. Frank Downes OP

Cost: €10 per evening. Booking Essential - Contact, Phone 021 4502520 / Email: ennismore@eircom.net

***"It is love and truth that set you free"***

A talk for the Year of Faith by Philip Cremin will be held in the Parish Centre, Blackrock on Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> November at 7:30 pm.

Philip Cremin is a lecturer in Religious Studies at WIT.

**Christmas Cards**

Christmas Cards are available for sale in both Churches and in the Parish Office.

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**THE SUNDAY READINGS**

First Reading: Dan. 7:13-14

In today's Scripture reading, the prophet Daniel looks ahead in time and sees the coming of Christ on the clouds of heaven. We look forward to that coming. It will be a day of great rejoicing.

Second Reading: Rv. 1:5-8

Jesus Christ is king today, in a special sense. He is a reliable witness to truth; he is the first to rise to new life; he is the King of Kings. To the glory of God, Jesus makes us a new people, a royal nation, a holy priesthood.

Gospel: John 18:33-37

Generally, we do not find the title "Christ the King" in any of the Gospels, but here in John, Jesus accepted the title even though it was given to him with misunderstanding. Pilate mistook the title as political. Jesus corrected him by saying that his kingdom was not of this world. Through the title of "King," Jesus pointed beyond himself to God, explaining that his mission was to tell the people about God and testify to the truth God wanted revealed through Jesus.

**Volunteer Overseas!**

Viatores Christi needs people for volunteer roles in Africa, Asia, Latin America and Haiti.

If you or somebody that you know is interested come and meet us at our recruitment session in:  
Cork on Sunday 2nd December 2012 at 3 pm in the SMA Parish, Centre, Wilton, Cork.

For more details call us 01 8689986  
email [colette@viatoreschristi.com](mailto:colette@viatoreschristi.com) or visit [www.viatoreschristi.com](http://www.viatoreschristi.com)  
*We look forward to seeing you!*

**The Coeliac Society of Ireland**

**Cork Support Group**

Are holding a meeting on Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> December 2012

Venue: SMA Centre Wilton, Cork

Time: 8 pm

Topic: Christmas Gathering (Bring along)

We ask all to bring a dish/party bites (gluten Free) to share with each other and to eat and talk

All Welcome, €4 entrance fee, refreshment will be provided

**Peace for our World**

An afternoon of Story, Silent Prayer and Mass led by Fr. John Fitzgerald MSC and Sacred Heart Parish Assembly  
Sunday 2nd December  
2.30 pm—5.00 pm  
Sacred Heart Centre (not church)  
Western Road, Cork

In the light of our calling to the Ministry of Peace and Reconciliation we remember Christians and non Christians who, for their faith are persecuted, even to death.

All welcome

**Bulletin Board**

**Advent Retreat** – 3<sup>rd</sup> 4<sup>th</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup> December  
Church of St. Mary & St John,  
Mass at 7.00 am,  
Prayer, Homily and Liturgy at 8.00 pm

**Baptism Preparation**

The next Baptism preparation will take place on **Saturday December 1<sup>st</sup> at 12.00 noon** in the **Library Room, Community Hall, Station Road**. The presentation lasts for approximately forty minutes. The following questions are addressed, What is Baptism? What are the symbols used in the Sacrament of Baptism? How can the family become involved in the ceremony? Parents might book the baptism a few weeks in advance to give ample time to take part in the preparation.

**Mass Diaries**

Mass Diaries to book Mass intentions for January, February & March will open in both churches on Saturday December 8<sup>th</sup> at 9.00 am. Priority will be given to 1<sup>st</sup> Anniversary Masses.

**Coeliac Host.**

Coeliac Host available at all Masses in both churches. Generally the Priest celebrating the Mass has the Coeliac Host. To help the Celebrant you might please let him know before the Mass.

**Offertory Collection Boxes 2013**

The boxes of envelopes for the Offertory Collection are available in both churches. Families are asked to take one box. Please use the envelopes for the Offertory Collection for the Vigil and Sunday Masses during the year, families who avail of the Direct Debit system are not expected to take one. The Offertory Collection is solely for the upkeep, maintenance, insurance, lighting, heating and related expenses of both churches. Thanks for your generosity and we look forward to your support for the coming year.

**Weekly Contribution - Tax Rebate**

Helping Ballincollig parish financially without dipping into your pocket. Weekly many people contribute at least five euro to the offertory collection. This contribution could be enhanced by claiming from the Dept of Finance the income tax paid by the donor on five euro a week. This tax rebate (can be claimed by organisations with charitable status which Ballincollig parish has,) would amount to at least €40 per eligible donor. I need your help to implement this scheme. The dept of finance will need a record to be kept locally verifying the contributions. The simplest method to implement this is, for parishioners to voluntary record their contribution. To make this possible I intend to supply boxes of envelopes with a number; invite parishioners to record the no on their box with me and then on a weekly basis note the no and amount.

The present direct debit gives an annual windfall from Dept of finance of more than €7,000.00, with your co operation I hope to double that amount. Please talk to me if you need clarifications. Thank you for your support. A tax rebate of €7,923.00 was claimed in the 2011 tax year by those using the direct debit payment scheme.

**Fr George.**

**MINISTERS OF THE WORD**

Dec-01 & Dec-02-2012

**St. Mary & St. John**

**Christ Our Light**

**6:00 pm (Vigil)**  
Karen Sheehan  
Padraig Graham  
**8:30 am**  
Pat Fennell

**10:00 am**  
Hannah Bunyan  
Stephen Bunyan

**12:00 Noon**  
Tony Lynch / Evan Keating  
Shane Tully

**7:30 pm (Vigil)**  
Rosarie Cotter  
Louise McGrath

**11:00 am**  
Tomas Buckley  
Alison Henchion

**12:30 pm**  
Kay Carew  
Jane O'Leary

**5:30 pm**  
Brian O'Donoghue

**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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**Fr. Dave O'Connell C.C.**

**Fr. Padraig O'Donoghue**

**Fr. James McSweeney**

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**021-4873308**

**Ballincollig Scout Bazaar & Auction**

**Sunday 2nd December at 2 pm in the Community Hall**

This is the 27th Scout Bazaar and is a great fun day out for all the family.

Lots of stalls including BRIC-A-BRAC for the house, BOOK STALL with books for all ages, COSMETIC STALL with unwanted boxed sets a speciality, BOXED GAMES stall and CD STALL. Of course the TOY STALL is brilliant for the little people with some pocket money as they get huge quantities at a small price!

SPIN THE WHEEL guarantees arms full of Christmas goodies and will see the older scouts under pressure to keep up with demand for tickets!!

The AUCTION takes place towards the end of the evening and is great craic. Auction items include vouchers & other donated spot prizes.

Santa will be walking around and there are lots of games, face painting and raffles to suit all ages. A magician will also be at hand to put a bit of magic into the day!

Good quality, nearly new items are on sale but a bit of rooting will be required!!

Why not set the *RECESSION CHALLENGE*...to find the best innovative, fun, creative and budget busting presents at the Bazaar!!! All proceeds go directly to Ballincollig Scout Group to support the 160 scouts of all ages from the local community as well as the bus and running costs of the hall.

So please come and support us and experience a great community event.

**All Welcome!**



**MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST**

Dec-01 & Dec-02-2012

**St. Mary & St. John**

**Christ Our Light**

**6.00 pm** Michael Maher  
Bernadette Bell  
Betty Casey  
Frank Riordan  
Siobhan Riordan  
Pauline Quane

**8:30 am** Mary Buckley  
Theresa Lucey  
Triona Collins

**10:00 am** Anne Cahill  
Pat Lee  
Cathy Horgan  
Claudine Tiendioh  
Betty Flavin  
Anne Spillane

**12 Noon** Helen Plunkett  
Seamus O'Donovan  
Eleanor Knowles  
Catherine Greene  
Joan Barrett

**7:30 pm** Geraldine Lynch  
Charlie Vaughan  
Joan Stephenson  
Bernie Bowen

**11:00 am** Neil Jeffers  
Eileen O'Donoghue  
Bridie Hanrahan  
Catherine / Hugh Moran  
Padraig Fleming

**12:30 pm** Denis O' Mahony  
Christine O'Mahony  
Tom Murray  
John O'Regan  
Gerard Dunne

**5:30 pm** Bernard Curran  
John Canty

**Ballincollig Parish Pilgrimage  
To the Holy Land**

8 Day Pilgrimage, 3<sup>rd</sup> April, 2013 - 10<sup>th</sup> April, 2013  
with Spiritual Director Fr. Joe Nagle OFM,

Cap from The Holy Trinity Church

Direct From Cork. 8 days €1,250 pps including half-board  
accommodation and all taxes.

For further information contact

Lar Cunningham on 021-4873364.

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