

# THE BALLINCOLLIG PARISHIONER

Sunday 26-October-2003



St. Mary & St. John  
Station Road



**Thirtieth Sunday In Ordinary Time**  
*The giving of sight in today's gospel, might also be described as the confirmation of faith. Most of us have the faith to turn to Christ when we are in need, but our faith often has to survive the negative voices around us, that would make out that he is indifferent to our needs. We see him today as the Saviour, who cares for our immediate as well as our ultimate needs.*



Christ Our Light  
Innishmore

## Children's Mass

Sunday October 19th, the 11.00 am Mass in Christ our Light Church marked the beginning of trying to involve children in our Sunday Mass. The principals and staff of the primary schools of the parish were very helpful and supportive in helping members of the Parish council invite parents to bring second and third class children to the eleven o'clock Mass at Christ Our Light church. A notable feature was the number of parents and second level pupils who offered to help with the organising. Sunday morning dawned bright and clear; soon after ten thirty parents began to arrive at Christ Our Light with their children, when the children were welcomed at the start of Mass more than eighty wanted to be involved in the crying room listening, drawing and colouring and all the time discovering the Good News in terms and language that made sense to these young people. Naturally there were some teething problems - colouring pencils might be better than crayons; the length of time is short; parents not sure what room the activity was taking place in; children having slight difficulties locating their parents in church when returning after sign of peace.

All in all a very good beginning and the activity will be continued at the 11.00 a. m. mass each Sunday in Christ Our Light; the continuing support of parents and second level pupils is also vital. There are several add-ons as we continue e.g. some music and singing; interactive ways of handing on the Good news opens up many possibilities.

Today's gospel is the restoring of sight to the blind beggar Bartimaeus; the children are asked to IMAGINE if you were a child who could not see, what things would you miss from the garden.

Jesus wants us to LOOK out for others, ..... They may need some help.

*George O'Mahony*

## Novena for the Dead November 2<sup>nd</sup> to 10<sup>th</sup>

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.

## Thought for Today

Parents can sometimes feel like Bartimaeus. We know what the right thing is, but sometimes our friends try to quiet us because we embarrass them. It may be that our friends even agree with us and know that we are right, but it's our voice that embarrasses them. We're causing a stir. Bartimaeus' friends were embarrassed by his loud shouts to Jesus, but Jesus honoured his faith. In the end, Bartimaeus regained his sight and followed Jesus. We can't give in to the shushing of our friends, either. Even when our stand is unpopular, we must follow the way of Jesus.

## PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL

### Priest

The Lord has worked marvels for us, so we bring forward our prayers with confidence.

### Reader

For all who suffer, mentally or physically, that they may experience the healing power of Christ in the Church.

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

For those who have problems with their sight, that they may have the help and understanding they need.

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

For the people who sit on our streets, begging, that they may experience kindness and compassion.

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

For our young people and their teachers, that their midterm break may bring refreshment and new enthusiasm.

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

For those who have died, especially those in our thoughts today, that they may have the reward of their labours

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

A moment's quiet prayer for our own needs.....

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

### Priest

O Lord, we rejoice in your marvellous kindness and bring forward all our needs: we entrust them to you with faith and confidence, through Christ our Lord.

Amen.

*What marvels the Lord worked for us! Indeed we were glad.*

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**BAPTISMS**

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

Conor Desmond McNally, 101 Shamrock Drive.  
 Saron Eamonn McGrath, 12 Woodberry, Greenfields.  
 Aoife Emer Carroll, Shanelle, Clash Road, Carrigrohane.  
 Shauna Zhoin Lee, 47 Parknamore Rise.

**MARRIAGES**

**CONGRATULATIONS TO:**

David Leggett, 6 Woodlands, Montenotte & Deborah Brady, 90 Castle Park.

† **IN SYMPATHY** †

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

Jackie Forde, Curaheen and Ballincollig.  
 Kathleen O'Connor, Ballykinsella, Tramore.  
 Elizabeth O'Callaghan, Killavullen.

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

Con & Rita Jeffries, Blarney St.  
 David & Margaret Rea, Lower Glanmire Road.  
 James & Eileen O'Donovan, Leap.  
 Deceased members Twomey family, Cronody, Dripsey.  
 Michéal Connolly, late EMC  
 John & Pat Sheehan, Coachford.  
 Callanan family,  
 Justin Monaghan, College Road.  
 Jim Deasy, Rosewood.  
 Arthur Collins, Carrigrohane.  
 Mary Roche, Kinsale.  
 Jimmy Roche, Kinsale.  
 Timothy Buckley.  
 Richard Krass, Carrigrohane.  
 Sr. Mary Gibbons.  
 Deceased members of the Murphy family Ballyhaunis, Co Mayo.  
 Jack and Kathy Foley, Waterfall.  
 Nora and Johnny Buttimer, Enniskeane.  
 David Hussey.  
 Connie Murphy, Healy's Bridge.  
 Dan and Mary O'Leary, Doneraile.  
 Denis J. Callanan, Innishmore Court.  
 Peter Murphy, Windsor.  
 Aeneas Murphy, Leesdale.  
 Deceased Members of the Fitzpatrick family.  
 Sylvester Bowler late of Bantry.  
 Dan O'Connell, Coachford and Australia.  
 Madge and John Horgan, Macroom.  
 Kathleen and Daniel Hallahan, Greenfield.  
 Michael Hallahan, Greenfield.  
 John Lucey, Station Road.  
 Donal Hallahan, England.

**READINGS FOR THE WEEK**

**THIRTIETH WEEK IN ORDINARY TIME**

26 Sunday Jer. 31 :7-9. Ps. 126. Heb. 5: 1-6. Mk. 10:46-52. Lect I:817  
 27 Monday Rom. 8:12-17. Ps. 67. Lk. 13:10-17. Lect II:388  
 28 Tuesday Eph. 2:19-22. Ps. 18. Lk. 6:12-19. Lect II:1242  
 29 Wednesday Rom. 8:26-30. Ps. 12. Lk. 13:22-30. Lect II:392  
 30 Thursday Rom. 8:31-39. Ps. 108. Lk. 13:31-35. Lect II:394  
 31 Friday Rom. 9: 1-5. Ps. 147. Lk. 14: 1-6. Lect II:396  
 01 Saturday Apoc. 7:2-4,9-14. Ps. 23. 1 In. 3:1-3. Mt. 5:1-12. Lect II: 1244 or Lect I:999

***Sick Or House Bound?***

If you have a friend or relative who is sick, house bound or in hospital, please let the Priests of the Parish know, so they may visit.

***St. Vincent de Paul  
 Family Centre, Community Hall***

Bric-A-Brac Wanted  
 Mirrors, Pictures etc.  
 Communion & Confirmation Outfits Wanted.  
 Good Quality Clothes Wanted.  
 This would be very much appreciated.

***Mass / Sunday Service Notice***

Recovery invites everyone to attend its weekly self-help meeting at the Capuchin Friary, Fr. Matthew Quay, Cork every Wednesday at 7.30 pm. Recovery offers self-help techniques for people suffering from depression, sleeplessness, anxiety, panic attacks, anger, fears and phobias. Recovery has been helping cope with mental health difficulties since 1937.

***Foster Carers Required.***

The Fostering Resource Unit, Southern Health Board, seek people in Cork City and County to foster young people aged 12 years and over. We wish to recruit individuals and families from all walks of life who are committed, adaptable and understanding. A preparation course and on-going support is provided. Foster carers will be paid an allowance to cover costs.

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***HOLY SOULS NOVENA***

November 2<sup>nd</sup> to 10<sup>th</sup>

Christ Our Light, **8 30 am and 6.30 pm.**

St. Mary and St John's, **9.30 am and 8 00 pm..**

THE SUNDAY READINGS

First Reading: Jeremiah 31:7-9
Today's reading tells us to exult, that God has gathered and saved his people.

Second Reading: Hebrews 5:1-6
We are told of the selection of the Priest as mediator between God and man.

Gospel: Mark 10:46-52
Today's gospel the restoring of his sight to the blind beggar. His sight is restored to Bartimaeus but just as important he becomes the symbol of "those who dwelt in darkness and in the shadow of death"



SAINT OF THE WEEK

Blessed Dominic Collins 31-October-2003
Dominic Collins was born around 1566 in the town of Youghal, Co. Cork. In 1598, after a military career, he entered the Society of Jesus as a Brother.

Feast Of All Saints 01-November-2003
Saints are the real historical proof of God's love for us and the possibility of personal transformation, which that same love promises. In recalling the lives of these people of prayer we are challenged by them.

ANNUAL CEMETERY MASSES

St. Oliver's

Will take place on Saturday 15th November 2003 at 2 pm

St. Mary & St. John's (adjoining cemetery)

Will take place on Saturday 22nd November 2003 at 2 pm

The Ten Commandments

Honor Your Father And Your Mother

As a young person in the family home, do I listen to, respect, and obey my parents when they instruct me? As an adult, do I visit and care for my parents in their old age?

(Next week a reflection on the fifth commandment)

Ballincollig Twinning Group

An invite to you

An information evening will be held at Colaiste Choilm on Thursday 6th November at 8 p.m. Chairman of The Twinning Group, John Donegan will outline the workings of the Twinning Group; its purposes and aims.

Accordingly the committee would like to issue a welcome to Clubs/ Organisations/ Groups. In the past, Ballincollig Rugby Club, Soccer Club, Basketball Club, Senior Citizens, G.A.A Scouts and Teachers have all formed links with our French twinning partner, Saclay.

On an individual front, several students have exchanged trips on either work experience or social and this is an area that the twinning group is anxious to expand. Also many families have established contact with families in the twinning towns with many exchange visits taking place.

Ballincollig Tidy Towns

Annual awards presentation

Friday October 31st

Ballincollig GAA Club at 8:30pm

Awards will be Presented by Micheal Martin T.D.

Minister for Health & Children

**MINISTERS OF THE WORD**

Nov-01 & Nov-02-2003

**St. Mary & St. John**

**Christ Our Light**

6:00 pm (Vigil)  
Muireann Nelligan  
8:30 am  
Triona Collins  
10:00 am  
Declan Chalmers  
12:00 Noon  
Oliver O'Donovan

8:00 pm (Vigil)  
Fiona Feely  
11:00 am  
Joseph Manning  
12:30 pm  
Dick Beamish  
5:30 pm  
Michelle Beamish

**MASS TIMES**

**St. Mary & St. John**

**Christ Our Light**

8:30 am, 10am & 12 noon

**Sunday**

11 am, 12:30pm & 5:30pm

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 & 6 pm (Vigil)

**Friday**

8:30 am & 8 pm (Vigil)

8:30am, 10am, 12 noon  
& 6 pm (Vigil)

**Saturday**

11 am, 12:30 pm & 8 pm  
(Vigil)

**CONFESSIONS**

After 10:00 am Mass &  
before 6:00 pm Mass

**Saturday**

After 9:00 am Mass

**BAPTISMS**

5:00 pm

**Saturday**

7:15 pm

12:45 pm

**Sunday**

**MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST**

Nov-01 & Nov-02-2003

**St. Mary & St. John**

**Christ Our Light**

6.00 pm Aisling Kelly  
Tony O'Leary  
Eileen Murphy  
Ted Nelligan  
Angela Murphy  
Ann O'Connell

8:00 pm John O'Donoghue  
Eleanor O'Donoghue  
Kathleen Daly

8:30 am Helen Kelly  
Roddy Martin

11:00 am Mary O'Mahony  
Margaret Brown  
Rose Cotter  
Billy Barry

10:00 am Miriam Maunsell  
Mary Buckley  
Breda Ring  
Jerry O'Connor  
Mary O'Regan

12:30 pm Mary Twomey  
Terry O'Driscoll  
Bernie O'Driscoll  
Maura O'Driscoll

12 Noon Louie O'Leary  
John Walshe  
Pat Kelleher  
Irene O'Brien  
Ellen O'Sullivan  
Imogen Ryan

5:30 pm Garreth Irish  
Shelia Curran  
Bridie O'Donnell

**PARISH CLERGY**

**Priest on Duty**

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**Autumn Dues**

Envelopes have now being distributed to each household. Please return it by placing it in the Basket at Mass. Spare envelopes are available from the back of the Church.

*Keep praying, but don't stop rowing to the shore.*



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