

THE BALLINCOLLIG PARISHIONER

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St. Mary & St. John
Station Road

Sunday 28-June-2015

Thirteenth Sunday In Ordinary Time

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Christ Our Light
Innishmore

Self Determination

The gospel this weekend gives us an insight into the life of the sick and their families. The woman who came to Jesus was desperate. She suffered from an illness for twelve long years, she had been through various treatments all were fruitless. Many doctors had offered different treatments as a result she was penniless and still sick. It seems all possibilities of human healing were exhausted.

Then she heard Jesus was coming to town, she hoped and believed that if she could even touch this holy man she would be healed. People in those days knew the importance of touch, for a baby to be held and touched is as important as food. Her determination got her through the crowd as she hoped for a quick fix; telling herself if I can even touch his clothes it may be enough to be healed.

We often opt for the quick fix, quick dash into the church, light a candle and off again on our merry way. Similarly with confession, we reproduce the list of sins, hardly time for forgiveness not to mention reflecting on my life and I am off again.

The woman's faith was rewarded, her health was restored, she received the quick fix. However Jesus insisted on a personal face to face meeting, he was not thinking of himself but of the woman. Those years of sickness had shaken her faith in God, so as well as physical healing she needed spiritual healing. It was not just enough to touch him, she touched him with faith. Faith enabled this poor, frightened, sick, untouchable woman to recognise the power of Jesus. Jesus reassured her "Your faith has made you well," Faith in Jesus can transform our life. May the sick and troubled experience the presence of Jesus in their life.

George O'Mahony

Thought for Today

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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 13th September 2015.

To all our readers have a safe & wonderful summer
Con, Tom, Pat, Karen & Diarmuid
(Our thanks for the very generous support given to last weekend collection)

PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL

Priest

The Lord rescues us from all that depresses us, and even from death itself.

Reader

For the Church: that through its ministry people may experience the healing power of Christ.

Lord, Hear us,

Lord, graciously hear us.

For our political and civil leaders: that God may enable them to carry out their responsibilities with wisdom and compassion.

Lord, Hear us,

Lord, graciously hear us.

For doctors, nurses, and all those who care for the sick.

Lord, Hear us,

Lord, graciously hear us.

For those who have no one to care for them, no one to touch their wounds.

Lord, Hear us,

Lord, graciously hear us.

For all gathered here: that we may be aware of the power we have to heal: a kind word can heal a wounded spirit; a kind deed can heal a

Lord, Hear us,

Lord, graciously hear us.

For grace to bring our needs before God, in silence and in trust.

Lord, Hear us,

Lord, graciously hear us.

Priest

Heavenly Father, you sent your Son into the world to heal our wounds of body, mind, and spirit. Help us to have complete faith in his healing power and in your love for us. We ask this through the same Christ our Lord. Amen.

I Will Praise You, Lord, You Have Rescued Me.

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BAPTISMS

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

Clodagh O’Sullivan Roche, Castlepark.
 Kelsey O’Sullivan Roche, Castlepark.
 Dara Richard Scallan, Cranford Pines.
 Una Catherine O’Donovan, The Willows.

† IN SYMPATHY †

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

Kathleen Griffin, Inver, Co. Donegal.
 Gay Bisping, England.
 Canon Finbarr Kelleher, Ballindangan/Aghabullogue.
 Nellie O’Leary, Killarney.

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

Willie & Mary O’Mahony, Caheragh.
 Marguerite Morrissey, Carrigaline.
 Denis McCormack, Rosewood.
 Evelyn Buckley, Model Farm Road.
 Pat & Isma O’Hare, Wyndham Lawn.
 Timothy & Josephine Murphy, Castle Avenue.
 Michael O’Sullivan, Carriganarra.
 Finbarr O’Neill, Station House.
 Elizabeth & John Ryan, Ballincollig/Dublin.
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 Bernie McNamara, St Mary’s Place, Carrigrohane.
 Evelyn Buckley, Model Farm Road.
 Michael & Julia Walsh, Ballinhassig.
 William, Margaret & Kitty McNamara, Carrigrohane.
 Eugene & Andrew McCarthy.
 Barry Kelly, The Crescent.
 Patrick & Margaret O’Mahony, Clash.
 Con & Mary Kelly, Kilmichael.
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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

Thirteenth Week in Ordinary Time

28 Sunday Wis 1:13-15, 2:23-24. Ps 29:2, 4-6, 11-13, RI v 2.2 Cor 8:7, 9, 13-15. Mk 5:21-43 Lect I: 768

29 Monday Acts 12: -II. Ps 33:2-9, RI v 5, alt RI v 8. 2 Tm 4:68, 17-18. Mt 16:13-19. Lect I:981 or II 1082

30 Tuesday Gn 19:15-29. Ps 25:2-3,9-12, RI v 3. Mt 8:23-27. Lect I: 165

01 Wednesday Gn 21:5, 8:20. Ps 33:7-8, 10-13, IV v 7. Mt 8:28-34. Lect II: 167

02 Thursday Gn 22:1-19. Ps 114:1-6,8-9, R/ v 9. Mt 9:1-8. Lect II: 169

03 Friday Eph 2:19-22. Ps 116, R/ Mk 16:15. In 20:24-29. Lect II: 1087

04 Saturday Gn 27:1-5, 15-29. Ps 134:1-6, R/ v 3. Mt 9:14-17. Lect II: 175

Next Sunday’s Readings 05/July/2015

Ez 2:2-5. Ps 122, R/ v 2. 2 Cor 12:7-10. Mk 6:1-6. Lect I: 772

THE SUNDAY READINGS

First Reading (Wisdom 1:13-15, 2.23-24)
 The book of Wisdom, written around 100 B.C., expresses a developed Old Testament that prepared for the fuller teachings of Christ. This reading says that God created all things good, and that death came because of the devil.

Second Reading (2 Corinthians 8:7.9.13-15)
 Paul says that the Corinthians have become rich because of Christ, and should help those who are more needy. Collections go back to the early days of the faith and express a truly Christian concern.

Gospel (Mark 5:21-43)
 Once again reading from Mark shows why this little Gospel is so precious. This is our nearest approach to an eye witness account of Jesus. Notice here the many details: the miracle within a miracle and the Lord's concern for secrecy.

Bru Columbanus

A Summer’s Evening on the Quad 2015 takes place on 4 July 2015 at 8pm. The magnificent Celtic Tenors, Peter Corry and Alex Sharpe will be on hand to wow the audience at the 'Music of the Movies' themed concert. Tickets are €30 and are available from Bru Columbanus, Cardinal Way, Wilton, Cork 021 -4345754 or the information desk at Wilton Shopping Centre. All ticket sales by Bru Columbanus will go directly to Bru Columbanus -accommodation for relatives of seriously ill patients in Cork Hospitals and the Hospice. Thank you in advance for your assistance.

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The Face of Christ

Sometimes our hearts may be troubled and we may worry about our future, not only in this life but also the eternal salvation of our souls. Everyday affairs and material concerns seem to almost overcome us as we strive to stay afloat in the turbulent waters of our daily life.



The world may weigh heavily upon our shoulders as we search among a sea of crowded faces for a friendly countenance. We seek perhaps someone to talk to, to tell our troubles to, someone with whom we can share our problems, but sometimes we do not know where to turn. Our friends are too busy with their own lives, our relatives and neighbours have their own troubles, our husbands may be work-weary, our wives house tired. What do we do? Where do we go for consolation? To whom can we confide our sorrows?

The answer may appear simple to one who knows. We turn to our eternal Father who has provided us with the necessary knowledge and wisdom to attain that serenity and peace of the soul that is ours for the asking, the spirituality that we can see (if we look) in the face of our fellow man, in the old, wrinkled face of a neighbour or stranger, or a child's face. Indeed, if we take the time to look closely, we will see the face of Christ. We will remember His promise of eternal life and the great love that he revealed to us by sending his only Son to die for our sake. He raised Him from the dead so that we should know and trust in Him who has provided an eternity in heaven. We should heed what Jesus said to a (doubting) Philip: "Have I been with you all this time....and you still do not know me? (John 14:1-12)

Bulletin Board

First Friday

Friday July 3rd is the first Friday of the month. There will be exposition of the Blessed Sacrament in St Mary & St John from 6.30pm to 7.45pm, you are invited to come and spend some time with the Lord. There is Mass in St Mary & St John on Friday evening at 8.00pm. The priests of the parish visit the sick of the parish on the first Friday of each month; please let us know if you have a family member or neighbour who is sick or housebound.

Collection

Peter's Pence envelope collection will be taken up at all Masses this week end.

Coeliacs

Please let the celebrants of Mass know if you need to receive a coeliac host at Holy Communion. Generally the Priest celebrating the Mass has the Coeliac Host.

Mass Diaries

Mass Diaries to book Mass intentions for July, August & September are now open in both churches. Priority will be given to those booking 1st Anniversary Mass.

Car Parking at Church of St Mary & St John and Christ Our Light

Please keep to left hand side as you approach the car parks. This is important from a health and safety point of view. Please also be careful of pedestrians who walk to Mass or from their cars to the church. Take care also not to obstruct entrance and exit to the car parks and church doors.

Fr. George

Ballincollig Tidy Towns

Golden Jubilee

Ballincollig has been involved in the National Tidy Towns initiative since 1965. There have been dramatic changes to Ballincollig over that period but the core community values have not changed. Ballincollig is indebted to all those that strive to make our area a great place to live.

It is the people that ultimately decide the value of their own place and for the Tidy Towns Volunteers the added value they have contributed over 50 years shows strong in the Town we have today.

Please help to Make The Difference!

As we cannot get to all the works we have planned it means we are very limited in being able to give manual assistance in estates. However the majority of properties are good and again we ask that if everybody could do a little clean up on their own front of house including the kerbs and base of walls then that would make a big difference. There is not a lot of litter around but if everyone picked just one piece while out walking it would keep the streets and roads much cleaner.

SMA Pilgrimage to Lourdes

17th – 22nd September, 2015

Hotel Roissy. Flight from Cork

Further Information from: Fr. Hugh Harkin SMA

African Missions, Blackrock Road, Cork. Tel: 021 4292871

SEMINAR on POPE FRANCIS' ENCYCLICAL

LAUDATO SI with Fr. Donal Dorr

CORK: Wednesday 16th September 2015 (10.00 am – 4.00 pm)

SMA Community Centre Wilton

Organised by the SHEP CARING FOR THE EARTH INITIATIVE a collaboration of The Cork Social and Health Education Project & Páirc a' Tobair Mercy Earth Community

Pope Francis' encyclical on Climate Justice and the Earth is a major wake-up call to Christians and to people of other religions or no religion. But will it make any real difference to our world? Will it help to galvanize us as individuals, and the politicians we elect, to take effective action to meet the huge ecological problems which threaten our whole way of life, and which are already severely affecting the poorest people in poor countries? The impact of the encyclical will depend on how well we get to know it and how we respond to its call.

The seminar will offer an opportunity to reflect on the encyclical's significance and message. It will be conducted by Donal Dorr DD, author of many books on aspects of justice and spirituality, in particular Option for the Poor and for the Earth: Catholic Social Teaching.

The Seminar will be free. Prior registration essential (Phone or E-mail or Post)

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MINISTERS OF THE WORD

Jul/04 & Jul/05/2015

St. Mary & St. John

Christ Our Light

6:00 pm (Vigil)

Rosarie Cotter
Laura O'Keeffe

8:30 am

Pat Fennell
Kate Healy

10:00 am

Shannon O'Brien
Erin Holmes

12:00 Noon

Sean Hennessy
Shane Lehane

7:30 pm (Vigil)

Rebecca Feely
Josh Nyagaya

11:00 am

Maebh Nic Mheanmain
Lisa Aylward

12:30 pm

Bernard Vallely
Colm Walsh

5:30 pm

Christine O'Brien

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

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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

Saturday

4:30 pm

Except First Saturday of
Month

First Saturday of Month

12:45 pm

Sunday

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Funeral Pastoral Team Rota

Week 29th Jun to 5th Jul

Brid Dunne

Sr. Colette O'Leary

Social / Coffee Mornings

Continue every Friday morning in parish house "Sonas"
on Station Road at 10 am.

Everyone welcome as it is an ideal opportunity to get
and know people from our community.



MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST

Jul/04 & Jul/05/2015

St. Mary & St. John

Christ Our Light

6.00 pm Steve Wills
Margaret O'Sullivan
Danny Farrell
Jim Walsh
Frances O'Brien
Eileen Coughlan

7:30 pm Anne O'Regan
Mairead Murphy
Finbarr Murray
Lettie Kelly
Mary Murphy

8:30 am Mary Buckley
Tom Butler
Denis Healy

11:00 am Seamus & Mary O'Connell
Ciaran Kelleher
Alan O'Riordan
Geraldine Keohane
Gerard Murray

10:00 am Mary Collins
Christy Roche
Katie O'Shea
Joe Coughlan
Elaine Crowley
Ann Buckley

12:30 pm Lucy O'Callaghan
Jackie Sheehan
Mary Green
Michael O'Leary
J.P. O'Leary

12 Noon Oliver O'Donovan
Sean Hennessy
Mary McLean
Eleanor Seymour
Nora Hennessy

5:30 pm Noelle Buckley
Mary Breen

A Prayer for those who suffer from Depression

Dear Jesus, I walk in the valley of darkness for I suffer from depression. I feel unloved, rejected, useless to myself and useless to others. I feel lost in a world I no longer understand. At times, I want to sleep and never wake up again. Lord, I believe that your love is a transforming love. Jesus, Son of David have pity on me.

Out of the depths, I cry to you. Lord, even though I feel nothing, I still praise you for the wonder of my being. You have formed me in my mother's womb and watched over me to this moment. I am precious in your eyes and you love me. On the Cross, you shed your blood for me. You have carved me on the palm of your hand. For all this I give you thanks and praise. May your precious blood give new life to me and to all those who suffer as I do. Take each one of us and hug us to your sacred and loving heart. Through your glorious wounds may we be healed.

Dear Jesus, when you fed the crowd in the desert, you wished to gather up the fragments lest anything be lost. As I wander through a desert and darkness of my own, I ask you to gather up the fragments of this shattered being, lest anything be lost. Through the prophet, Joel, you promise to restore the years that the locusts have eaten. I ask you, lay your hands gently on my weary head and restore me. Let your face shine upon me and give me back the peace, the joy that has been lost.