

# THE BALLINCOLLIG PARISHIONER

Sunday 28-March-2004

Fifth Sunday of Lent

*Men and women are judged every day - often too quickly condemned by whispering calumny and over-righteous indignations. Today's gospel is a reminder that judgement belongs to God and not to human persons. We cannot expiate our own guilt by pointing the finger at others.*



St. Mary & St. John  
Station Road



Christ Our Light  
Innishmore

## Peru Mission 1965 - 2004

The announcement by Bishop Cornelius Lucey in 1965 that the diocese of Cork and Ross was to open a mission in South America raised many eyebrows and made headlines in the media. The diocese of Cork and Ross undertook to provide priests for a number of parishes in the outskirts of Trujillo, Peru; the Mercy sisters and Bon Secour sisters also sent sisters to work in the shanty towns and the people of Cork and Ross in their generosity provided huge financial support for the work of the mission.

The idea of a Diocese providing priests to work alongside sisters among hundreds of thousands of people was novel at the time. Language schools became the order of the day, adapting to the intense heat and culture provided it's own difficulty and during the 1960's travel and communication were much more problematic than we can even imagine today. The Word of God has been preached; the sacraments celebrated and trained catechists provided instruction for young and old in Christian living. Schools were also set up to provide education and training, hospitals were built and medical clinics were set up to provide medical help for the sick and needy. Many initiatives were taken to help people become self sufficient and feed themselves. During the thirty-nine years a great deal of progress was made in the areas of the spiritual, social, medical and education.

However on March 17th 2004 the last two priests (Fathers Sean O' Sullivan; and Pat Fogarty) Cork and Ross departed from the mission, the Bon Secour and Mercy sisters continue to work in Peru among the people in the shanty towns. I wish the Sisters well in their work and may the Lord continue to bless their efforts. The declining number of priests in Cork and Ross not to mention the age profile of the clergy are the reasons for discontinuing the supply of priests to the mission. Thanks to all those who worked on the mission and especially to the generosity of the people of Cork and Ross who showed their support with their financial help.

*George O'Mahony*

## Reflection for Parents

Of course we will never fully know what Jesus drew in the sand. Whether his drawing was with purpose or not has been lost to history and most likely would not change the story. As parents, an important lesson we can gain from his action is that he took the time to gather his thoughts before speaking. How often do we say the first thing that comes to mind and end up regretting it? Thinking first helps us present a Christ-like presence to our children even if we are dealing with serious misbehaviour.

## PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL

### Priest

The God of life wants to share life and all good things with us. We pray in confidence.

### Reader

For all those preparing for Baptism, and for those who accompany them, that they may taste the newness and richness of the Christian way, we pray to the Lord.

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

For all those who are serving as missionaries and ministers in the developing world, bringing food and water and shelter to the needy, and the Good News of Jesus in word and deed, we pray to the Lord.

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

For a spirit of thankfulness, we pray to the Lord.

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

For the needs of our parish, and of all here present, we pray to the Lord.

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

For all who are condemned by society, for all those imprisoned or deprived of their human dignity, we pray to the Lord.

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

For all who have gone before us in faith, that they enjoy God's presence for ever more.

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

### Priest

Gracious God, hear our prayer, and the prayer of those who call out to you in their need, because we pray in the name of Jesus, your Son. 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 :**

Emily Jane McCarthy, 14 Limeworth, Carriganarra.

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

Ann McAuliffe, Whitechurch.  
 Christina McCarthy, Hazelgrove.  
 Neil McGroarty, 149 Beech Park.  
 Tony O'Leary, Kerry Pike.

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

Mairéad Kenny, Grenagh.  
 Patrick Keohane, Inniscarra.  
 Laura & Maurice Lynch.  
 John Calnan, Drinagh.  
 John Corkery, Aherla.  
 Donal Forde.  
 Mary & Denis Lucey, Ballingearry.  
 Myles Carroll, Maglin & Kildare.  
 Bill O'Brien.  
 Timothy & Maureen O'Connell, Ballingulley.  
 Jane Murphy, Kilmurry.  
 Cornelius O'Regan, Carriganarra.  
 Ann Hogan, Co. Limerick.  
 Pat & Billy Coomey, Carriganarra Road.  
 Catherine Kelly, Dunboyne, Co. Meath.  
 Frances O'Donovan.  
 Eileen O'Grady, O'Donovan Crescent.  
 Michael O'Mahony, Whitethorn Ave., Inniscarra View Est.  
 Denis Desmond, 'The Outpost', Bishopstown.  
 Margaret & Joseph Kavanagh, Powdermills.  
 John Sexton, Farnanes.  
 Catherine McCarthy, Dunmanway.  
 Nora Lehane, Carrigadrohid.  
 Thomas McCarthy, Ballydehob.  
 Nora Cronin, Ballylicky.  
 Kevin Shields, Castleknock.  
 Robert Cuthbert, Douglas.  
 Patrick O'Riordan, Castlepark.  
 Margaret, Jerome & Donald McCarthy, Carriganarra Road.  
 Dr. Carthach MacCarthy.  
 Con Guinevan, Leemount, Carrigrohane.  
 Eileen O'Donovan, Rosewood.  
 Edward Fouhy, Model Farm Road.

**READINGS FOR THE WEEK**

**FIFTH WEEK OF LENT**

28 Sunday Is. 43:16-21. Ps 125. Phil. 3:8-14. In. 8:1-11. Lect 1: 313  
 29 Monday Dan. 13:1-9, 15-17, 19-30, 33-62. Ps. 22. In. 8:12-20. Lect 1: 319  
 30 Tuesday Num. 21:4-9. Ps. 101. In. 8:21-30. Lect 1: 326  
 31 Wednesday Dan. 3:14-20,24-25,28. Ps. Dan. 3. In. 8:31-42. Lect 1: 328  
 01 Thursday Gen. 17:3-9. Ps. 104. In. 8:51-59. Lect 1: 331  
 02 Friday Jer. 20:10-13. Ps. 17. In. 10:31-42. Lect 1: 333  
 03 Saturday Ez. 37:21-28. Ps. Jer. 31:10-13. In. 11:45-56. Lect 1: 336

**Next Sunday's Readings 04-April-2004**

Acts 10:34,37-43. Ps. 117. Col. 3:1-4 or 1 Cor. 5:6-9. In. 20:1-9. Lect

**PRAYER TO THE WOUNDS OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST**

I kiss the wounds of your sacred hands with sorrow deep and true, may every touch of my hands be an act of love for you. Jesus I give you my hands to serve you.

I kiss the wounds of Your sacred head with sorrow deep and true, may every thought in my mind be an act of love for You. I invite You now Lord Jesus to come into my mind, let Your healing light shine into every corner of my mind to dispel the darkness in my mind. Let Your healing light shine into my past. Fill my mind with Your healing light and uplift me now in a very special way. Fill every thought I've ever had in my mind with Your healing light. Heal my memories, thought patterns, mindsets and conditioning. Come into my anger, anxiety, fear, worries, hurts, sadness etc. Come into all my relationships especially where there is healing needed and give those people great blessings and most of all give them peace of mind.

I kiss the wound of Your sacred side with sorrow deep and true, may every beat of my heart be an act of love for You and by the merits of that wound to Your most sacred side, please fill my heart with a much greater love for You, a much greater trust in You that You are healing me right now and love and compassion for all.

I kiss the wound of Your sacred shoulder with sorrow deep and true, I offer up to You now all the crosses I have had in my life especially the cross that I struggle with at the present moment (mention), for the conversion of sinners, the souls in purgatory and also the most forgotten souls.

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**THE SUNDAY READINGS**

First Reading: Isaiah 43:16-21  
 Let the past be put aside. By destroying the enemy, God saved us; he set us free. This is why we pay attention to the present: God is doing something new!

Second Reading: Philippians 3:8-14  
 Because of faith, we look to the future. We look to Jesus Christ. We look to the Resurrection. Everything else is less important.

Gospel: John 8:1-11.  
 Although most scholars believe that this story of the woman caught in adultery was not part of John's original writings, it is nevertheless an excellent example of Jesus' style. First of all, some of the religious leaders tried to trick Jesus into going against the Law of Moses by not having the woman stoned or going against the Roman law that did not allow the Jewish people to impose the death sentence. Again, Jesus seemed trapped, but drew in the sand with his finger until he presented his answer. In an effort to demonstrate the forgiveness God had for his people, Jesus challenged the Pharisees to throw a stone if they were without sin. Of course, none could throw a stone and slowly the crowd drifted away. When only the woman remained, Jesus showed mercy toward her and told her to resist further sin.



**SAINT OF THE WEEK**  
**St. Ceallach (Celsus) 01-April-2004**

Celsus of Armagh was a layman named Ceallach mac Aedha. While a layman he succeeded to the hereditary bishopric of Armagh in 1105. Built a reputation as a reformer and able administrator. When he became Bishop of Armagh, he initiated a programme of church reform and travelled throughout Ireland, preaching reform and ensuring discipline. Helped preside at the Synod of Rath Bresail in 1111, which helped align the Irish church administration with the rest of Europe. Rebuilt the Armagh cathedral. Peacemaker between warring Irish kings and chieftains. Worked with, and ordained his friend of Saint Malachy O'More. From his deathbed, he appointed Malachy as Archbishop of Armagh, ending the tradition of hereditary succession to the see. He died in 1129 and is buried in Lismore.



**Volunteers Needed for Simon Shop**

Would you be willing to give up some time each week to work in the Cork Simon Community Shop? The Simon Shop on North Main Street is extending its opening hours and urgently requires more volunteers. The Simon Shop is a very important part of the Cork Simon Community, providing clothes for homeless people and also raising funds to help provide services for homeless people. If you are interested in helping out please contact Mairéad on 021 4321166 or email fundraising@corksioncommunity.ie

*Understanding the Bible this Lent*

Bible study under the title "Come and See" continues every Thursday night at 8 pm in the Community Centre until March 25<sup>th</sup> and will conclude on April 6<sup>th</sup> with The Seder Meal or Passover celebration.

All are welcome

Fr. George.

**Priesthood In Cork & Ross**

First step on the path is ...

**Listening, discussing, praying and reflecting.**

**Priesthood Information Day**

*about becoming a priest in Cork and Ross*

**Date: Saturday April 3rd, 2004**

**Venue: Ennismore Retreat Centre, Cork**

**Cost: Free; Time: 11 am to 5 pm (lunch provided)**

Should you attend? What if you can't that day?

Want to find out more? In confidence, telephone

Fr. Aidan O'Driscoll at (021) 4303015 (9 am -3 pm)

or Fr. Bertie O'Mahony at (021) 4371684

or email priesthood@corkandross.org

**It's never too late to learn!**

Cork College of Commerce will hold an Adult Information Morning on Wednesday 31st March 9.30 am to 12.30 pm. Information on a wide variety of courses will be available on the day. Come along and have a chat with our students and staff. Refreshments will be served.

**Admission free. All welcome.**

**Friday 2nd April 2004**

**First Friday**

**Church of St. Mary & St. John**

**EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT**

Following 9:30 am Mass, Rosary at 6 pm,

Directed hour of prayer from 6:30 pm to 7:30 pm this hour will be led by Emmaus men's prayer group, please try to come along and join in the hour of prayer.

Benediction at 7:30 pm and Mass 8:00 pm.

**SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT DE PAUL**  
**MONTHLY COLLECTION**

Next Weekend

3<sup>rd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> April 2004

*Please Support*

**Scoil Eoin Enrolment Week**

Monday 29<sup>th</sup> March - Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> April

Open Night Monday 29<sup>th</sup> March

Failte Roimh parents and children on that night.

*Please pray for Healing for Noelle Wrenne*

**MINISTERS OF THE WORD**

Apr-03 & Apr-04-2004

**St. Mary & St. John**

**Christ Our Light**

6:00 pm (Vigil)  
Muireann Nelligan  
8:30 am  
Annette Collins  
10:00 am  
Dave Murphy  
12:00 Noon  
Oliver O'Donovan

8:00 pm (Vigil)  
Michael Greene & Pauline Collins  
11:00 am  
Jack Dorgan & Margaret Healy  
12:30 pm  
Bernard Vallely & Marie Groarke  
5:30 pm  
Brian O'Donoghue & Phil O'Connell

**MASS TIMES**

**St. Mary & St. John**

**Christ Our Light**

8:30 am, 10 am & 12 noon	<b>Sunday</b>	11 am, 12:30 pm & 5:30 pm
9:30 am & 8 pm	<b>Monday</b>	8:30 am & 6:30 pm
9:30 am & 8 pm	<b>Tuesday</b>	8:30 am & 6:30 pm
9:30 am & 8 pm	<b>Wednesday</b>	8:30 am & 6:30 pm
9:30 am & 8 pm	<b>Thursday</b>	8:30 am & 6:30 pm
9:30 am & 8 pm	<b>Friday</b>	8:30 am & 6:30 pm
10:00 am & 6 pm (Vigil)	<b>Saturday</b>	9:00 am & 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**

Apr-03 & Apr-04-2004



**St. Mary & St. John**

**Christ Our Light**

6.00 pm Vera Allen  
Ber Bell  
Oliver Delaney  
Betty Casey  
Frank Riordan  
Siobhan Riordan  
8:30 am Mary Buckley  
Theresa Lucey  
10:00 am Anne Cahill  
Pat Lee  
May Delaney  
Seamus O'Shea  
John O'Donovan  
12 Noon Joan Barrett  
Sheila Carroll  
Marsie Curling  
Will Casey  
Geraldine Graham

8:00 pm Geraldine Lynch  
Charlie Vaughan  
Joan Stephenson  
11:00 am Marie Ui Chrualaof  
Neil Jeffers  
Eileen O'Donoghue  
Mary Coleman  
Dan Coleman  
12:30 pm Con O'Connell  
Denis O' Mahony  
Christine O'Mahony  
Tom Murray  
Maura Lombard  
5:30 pm Patsy Galvin  
Margaret Murphy  
Phil O'Donnell

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