

# THE BALLINCOLLIG PARISHIONER

150 Years



St. Mary & St. John  
Station Road

## Sunday 12-June-2016

### Eleventh Sunday In Ordinary Time

*God is mercy unlimited - that is for those who are ready to turn from their sin to seek his love. Today's readings remind us that it is not God who limits his love. It is either our complacency or our fear which refuses to trust in so great a love.*



Christ Our Light  
Innishmore

### **Don't Cast Aside**

During a power blackout a man retrieved his old paraffin lamp from the attic. It was in a terrible state yet he went ahead and lit the lamp. The wick smoked and gave off a terrible smell. The globe was cracked and covered in smoke. The man was really disappointed little or no light from the lamp after his efforts. He lit a candle that gave some light and announced that the lamp was just fit for the dump.

A month later there was another power cut. This was the opportunity for the lady of the house to produce her clean, shining lamp that provided a lovely glow in the dark. "That is a lovely lamp" said her husband; where did you purchase. "That is the lamp you wanted to throw out" she replied. "I don't believe it" he exclaimed. After a close inspection, he said that must have cost some money to get it into that shape. As a matter of fact, the wick and shade "I bought" the remainder is the product of time and elbow grease. I could see that under the layers of grease, dirt and neglect was a beautiful lamp. "I couldn't agree more with you" he replied. It is much quicker to cast a lamp aside than to take time to clean, polish and shine. Likewise with people it is easier to label them, pigeonhole them than to befriend them and help them up from their misery. To reclaim a person is a delicate and difficult task; that is what Christ chooses to do. Truly a saviour.

*George O'Mahony*

### **Thank You**

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

### **PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL**

#### **Priest**

Jesus received the sinful woman with great kindness and respect. We care confident that he will receive us in the same way as we approach him with our needs.

#### **Reader**

For the Church: that it may be a place where sinners can experience the love and mercy of Christ.

**Lord, Hear us,**

**Lord, graciously hear us.**

For Christians: that they may imitate the compassion and forgiveness of Christ.

**Lord, Hear us,**

**Lord, graciously hear us.**

For those who make and administer our laws: that they may be both wise and compassionated in their judgements.

**Lord, Hear us,**

**Lord, graciously hear us.**

For those who have been the victims of unfair and harsh judgements.

**Lord, Hear us,**

**Lord, graciously hear us.**

For those who are suffering the effects of war, famine and persecution worldwide and in particular the people of Aleppo & Nigeria.

**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 mercy, help us to keep our hearts pure, our minds clean, our words true, and our deeds kind. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

***Forgive, Lord, the guilt of my sin.***

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**† IN SYMPATHY †**

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

Maurice Dwane, Ballincollig/Churchtown.  
Joe Grieve, Manchester/Belfast.

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

David Rea, Lower Glanmire Road.  
Thomas O’Sullivan, Kanturk.  
Bridget Madden, Blarney Street.  
Nuala Harte, Rosscarbery.  
John Bowen, Sundays Well.  
Celine O'Donovan, Castlemartyr.  
Ed Corcoran, Rosewood.  
John Corcoran, Manor Hill.  
Ned & Eily Hogan, Bandon.  
Marian & Liam Hogan  
Nora, James & Jnr Barrett, Kilcrea Park.  
Joan Daly, Ballyburden.  
Jim O’Sullivan, Tudor Grove.  
Finbarr O’Brien, Friars Walk.  
John O’Connor, Douglas.  
Noel Keating, Carrignavar.  
Dan Lucey, The Crescent.  
John O’Mahony, Carriganarra.  
Mary Hynes, Ennis.  
Frederick Strahan, Dublin.  
Pat & Isma O'Hare, Wyndham Lawn.

***Ballincollig Holy Land Pilgrimage***

Fly Direct from Cork  
16th to 24th October €1,395 pps  
Trip of a lifetime, led by Fr. Joe Nagle, OFM Cap  
Walk in the footsteps of Jesus, in Bethlehem, Galilee, Jerusalem and much more.  
For full details phone Group Leader Lar Cunningham on 021 487 3364 or 087 6823989

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**READINGS FOR THE WEEK**

**Eleventh Week In Ordinary Time**

12 Sunday 2 Sam 12:7-10, 13. Ps 31. Gal 2:16, 19-21. Lk 7:36-8:3. Lect I: 866  
13 Monday 1 K. 21:1-16. Ps. 5. Mt. 5:38-42. Lect II: 587  
14 Tuesday 1 K. 21 :17-29. Ps. 50. Mt. 5:43-48. Lect II: 589  
15 Wednesday 2 K. 2:1,6-14. Ps. 30. Mt. 6:1-6,16-18. Lect II: 591  
16 Thursday Eccles (Sir). 48:1-14. Ps. 96. Mt. 6:7-15. Lect II: 594  
17 Friday 2 Kgs 11:1-4, 9-18, 20. Ps 131. Mt 6:19-23. Lect II: 596  
18 Saturday 2 Chron 24:17-25. Ps 88. Mt 6:24-34. Lect II: 599

**Next Sunday’s Readings 19-June-2016**

Zech. 12: 10-11, 13: 1. Ps. 62. Gal. 3:26-29. Lk. 9: 18-24. Lect I: 870

**BAPTISMS**

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

Lillian Eve O’Shea, Willow Grove, Coolroe Heights.  
Liadh Clare Carroll, N.S.W. Australia.  
Bernard Thomas O’Sullivan, Waltham Abbey, Old Quarter.  
Cian John Kelleher, Daffodil Fields.

**THE SUNDAY READINGS**

First Reading: 2 Samuel 12:7-10, 13  
Nathan tells King David a story that helps David to see the terrible sin he has committed. Because he wanted another man's wife for himself, David deliberately placed the soldier in the front line of battle where he would be killed. God had given David so many blessings and David now realizes he has sinned against God. David is filled with sorrow but Nathan assures him of God's forgiveness. Like David, any one of us can lose our perspective and let our desires rule us. We are not entitled to take what belongs to somebody else. Pray for God's help against this temptation

Second Reading: Galatians 2:16, 19-21  
St. Paul says that having faith in Jesus is what makes us favourable in God's eyes. Paul tells us that his faith is so strong that it's as if he no longer lives, but Christ lives in him. People should be able to see God's love radiating in us. Those who are so intent on keeping the law that they don't reflect God's love are missing the point. Keeping the law is important, but the law alone will not help us to be saved.

Gospel: Luke 7-36-8:3  
In today's Gospel we see how Jesus forgave a woman, who 'had a bad name in the town', for 'her many sins' because she had shown sorrow for her sin; this happened in Simon's house where Simon had invited Jesus to a meal. Jesus turned to the woman and told her, 'Your sins are forgiven'...'Your faith has saved you; go in peace'.  
We too hear these words of God's forgiveness spoken to us by the priest when he gives-us absolution for our sins in the Sacrament of Reconciliation.

**Cemetery Mass**

Mass will be celebrated  
in  
St. James's Cemetery, Chetwynd  
on  
Tuesday 21st June, 2016  
At 7.30 p.m.

**Pioneer Diocesan Mass**

Gold, Silver and Diamond jubilee pins will be presented at the Pioneer Diocesan Mass which will take place at 8p.m. in St.Columba's Church, Douglas on June 22nd 2016. For further information contact Sorcha on 0863642619 or sorchaol@gmail.com

**Ballincollig Family Resource Community Centre**

(next to Ballincollig Library)  
Men's Health week 13th -19th June 2016  
Health information event  
on Friday 17th June, 10.30 – 12.30pm.

**World Youth Day 2016 – Cork Event**

The Diocese of Cork and Ross Pastoral Development Office is hosting an evening Vigil and Mass on Saturday 30th July from 8pm to Midnight to coincide with the World Youth Day in Krakow, Poland with Pope Francis. The evening will include music, inspiring talks, prayer, food, confession, adoration, discussion groups and live links to Krakow throughout the evening. The event will conclude with Concelebrated Mass at 11pm. This will all take place in Saint Columba's Church and Parish Centre in Douglas. It is open to young adults 18-40 and young people 16-18 accompanied by parish group leaders. A contribution of €10 per participant is asked and registration is essential – details and registration forms available from the Pastoral Development Office telephone 021 4537601.

**Scoil Eoin**

Are having a Used Clothing Collection in the School from 9 a.m. to 9:30 a.m. on Tuesday 14th June, 2016. Time to carry out that clean up you've been meaning to do, de-clutter that wardrobe for the Summer and get all those old clothes and mobile phones in to Scoil Eoin.

**Student's Prayer Card (Ballincollig)**

As I begin to study for the exams I face  
I ask you Lord for the courage and grace  
to meet this challenge and do my best  
to stay calm and focused during the test.  
This prayer I make to you today,  
help me Lord and with me stay

**Recipe for Living**

*Life may not be a piece of cake  
When we haven't the dough to rise!  
But it will never be as flat as a pancake,  
If we remember to add a spoonful of sugar  
to sweeten our desserts*

**Bulletin Board**

**Special Diocesan Collection.**

A total of €2,620 was taken up at all Masses in respect of World Meeting of Families.  
Thank you for your generosity which is very much appreciated

**Mass Diaries**

Mass Diaries to book Mass intentions for July, August & September will open in both churches this Saturday June 11th at 9.00am  
Priority will be given to those booking 1st Anniversary Mass.

**Examination Time**

We ask for your continuing support and prayers for our students as they prepare for their Leaving and Junior Certificate Examinations. May they be successful in their efforts?

**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

**Cuan Mhuire, Farnanes Annual Hillwalk**

18km Fundraising Hillwalk in Ballyheigue, Co. Kerry  
Saturday 25th June  
Pre-registration recommended - €20 per adult, family €50  
For further details  
Please contact either Catherine or Orla  
on 021-7335994 or farnanes@cuanmhuire.ie

**Ordination Congratulations**

On Saturday last Patrick Nugent was ordained to the priesthood for our diocese by Bishop John Buckley. The previous weekend Evin O'Brien was ordained to the Diaconate in Maynooth. We ask your continued prayers for Fr Patrick, Rev Evin and for our two other seminarians studying in Maynooth. If you are interested in knowing more about priesthood in our diocese contact Fr Thomas Deenihan on 021 4301717.

**Reflection for Parents**

No matter how large the world we call our own, no part of our contact is as important as our children. Not only are we called to share the message of hope with them, but they see by our actions how we live the Good News in the world with which we come in contact.

**A thought for today**

Perhaps the most radical statement Jesus ever made is "Be compassionate as your Father is compassionate".

**MINISTERS OF THE WORD**

Jun-18 & Jun-19-2016

**St. Mary & St. John**

**Christ Our Light**

**6:00 pm (Vigil)**  
 Karen Sheehan  
 Darragh Lankford  
**8:30 am**  
 Pat Fennell  
 Kate Healy  
**10:00 am**  
 Tony Hegarty  
 Daithi O'Floinn  
**12:00 Noon**  
 Declan Chalmers  
 Sean Manley

**7:30 pm (Vigil)**  
 Rebecca Feely  
 Josh Nyagaya  
**11:00 am**  
 Kristian Calvert  
 Amy Ni Chearbhaill  
**12:30 pm**  
 Joseph Manning  
 Niamh Murray  
**5:30 pm**  
 Liam Tuohy

**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	<b>Monday</b>	8:30 am
9:30 am	<b>Tuesday</b>	8:30 am
9:30 am	<b>Wednesday</b>	8:30 am
9:30 am	<b>Thursday</b>	8:30 am
9:30 am	<b>Friday</b>	8:30 am
10:00 am & 6 pm (Vigil)	<b>Saturday</b>	7:30 pm (Vigil)

**CONFESSIONS**

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

**BAPTISMS**

4:30 pm	<b>Saturday</b>	4:30 pm
Except First Saturday of Month		First Saturday of Month
12:45 pm	<b>Sunday</b>	

**PARISH CLERGY**

Priest on Duty	087-2479140
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**Funeral Pastoral Team Rota**

13-Jun-2016 to 19-Jun-2016  
 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**

Jun-18 & Jun-19-2016

**St. Mary & St. John**

**Christ Our Light**

**6.00 pm** Patsie Murphy  
 Pat Moore  
 Mary Walsh  
 Marie Healy  
 Margaret Kearney  
 Nora Barry

**8:30 am** Theresa Lucey  
 Tom Butler  
 Triona Collins

**10:00 am** Margaret Bunyan  
 Mary Murphy  
 Joan Tobin  
 Breda Monaghan  
 Niamh Nic Gearailt  
 Mary Hennigan

**12 Noon** Marie Bohan  
 Breda Lenihan  
 Jacinta Jeffers  
 Rena O'Connor  
 Sean Farrell

**7:30 pm** Sheila O'Connor  
 Martin O'Regan  
 Brid Healy-Harris  
 Kit Cahill

**11:00 am** Carmel Ryan  
 Eileen Byrne  
 Bernadett Spillane  
 Laurence / Angela Cunningham  
 David Mahony / Stella McVeigh

**12:30 pm** Eileen Garvey  
 Breda Callanan  
 Catherine Freehill  
 Betty Walsh

**5:30 pm** Olan O'Mahony  
 Noel Kelleher

**A Student's Prayer at Exam Time**

You know Lord, no matter how often exams come along, it's always the same. I've been through all this before: the late nights, the cramming, and the funny feeling in the pit of my stomach; and there always seems to be so much still left to do. You would think I might be getting used to it now. I'm not asking you to make up for what I have not done Lord. What I am asking is a restful night's sleep and freedom from useless worrying. Help me to have confidence in what I have done, and to get it down during the exam in some kind of order. And while I think of it Lord, take care of all the others too! Amen.

- "God is not far from any of us since it is in him that we live and move and exist. We are all his children." (Acts 17:28) And so in confidence and trust, heavenly Father, we pray:
- We pray for our families, teachers and friends who have supported us, especially when we were struggling or just getting by. May we too be there for each other in the coming days.
- Jesus said: "Peace is what I leave you; it is my own peace that I give you". (John 14:27) We pray for all those who are anxious about what lies ahead, or are worried. Give us the peace of mind and heart we need to do our best.
- "And so I prayed and understanding was given to me." (Book of Wisdom 7:7) Father, pour out your spirit of understanding and truth. Help us to strive with all our hearts to know what is pleasing to you, and when we know your will, grant us the courage and determination to do it. We pray this with our futures in mind and we place it into your hands.