

THE BALLINCOLLIG PARISHIONER

150 Years



St. Mary & St. John
Station Road

Sunday 18-September-2016

Twenty Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Jesus lamented the fact that the 'children of light' are not as astute at doing good as the wicked are at looking after themselves. It may be that some of our ineffectiveness in doing good arises from a lack of total commitment to God. We cannot have it both ways; self- concerned and love of God don't mix.



Christ Our Light
Innishmore

God's Wealth

"Ah I know what I shall do. " Lk 16.
One little tree made a wish. "When I grow big "it said. " I'd like to be furniture in a beautiful hotel". But a farmer came and cut it down and made a manger for cattle to feed in. And one night a mother and a father had no bed for their infant. They used the manger. They were Mary, Joseph and infant Jesus.

The second little tree made a wish and said. "I would like to be a big ship and see the world. " A fisherman came and cut it down and made it into a little fishing boat. But one day a famous person asked the fisherman for a loan of the boat. That person was Jesus of Nazareth.

The third tree made a wish - - a lady tree. She said "I just want to stay here and be beautiful. I'd like people to see and admire me." Soldiers came and cut down the tree and made a rough cross out of it and that was the cross that Jesus died on.

The unexpected in our lives can have so much meaning. Father it is good to think that in spite of our failures and misadventures we are always in your loving hands.

George O'Mahony

Reflection for Parents

Children learn at a young age that "buying friends" is a possibility. Even we adults use our resources to entertain friends. How often do we do things with our friends that we think will build our relationships by spending money either on food, entertainment, or gifts? The point of this Gospel is to help us remember that the most important way we can use our resources is in the service of others. From time to time, as we see our children selecting elaborate birthday gifts for a friend, or wanting to include friends in an expensive form of entertainment, we may need to remind them and ourselves of the message in today's Gospel.

PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL

Priest

Let us now bring our needs before Go, whose help is near to those who turn to him with trust and humility.

Reader

For Christians: that their weekday lives may bear witness to the faith they profess on Sundays.

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

For all those who have received exam results: we pray they will find direction from their parents and teachers.

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

For the children of darkness: that they may see the error of their ways.

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

For those who have died: that they may reach the light that never fades.

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

For those who are suffering the effects of war, famine and persecution 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 power and love, confirm us in your service, and help us to bear witness to you in the society in which we live. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Praise the Lord, who raises the poor.

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† IN SYMPATHY †

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

John Forde, Leeview.
Richard O'Regan, Blarney.
Ursula Coakley, Westcourt.
Noel Hourihan, Rosewood.
Ellen Hannon, Salthill, Galway.

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

John McKechnie, Tower.
William Kavanagh, Carrigrohane.
James Callaghan, Galway.
Eilish Cooper, New Hampshire / Togher.
Theresa Cahill, Macroom.
Patrick O'Connell, Victoria Cross.
Gwen Daly, Castlepark.
Catriona Horgan, Castlepark.
Nuala Delaney, Inniscarra View.
Margaret Sheehan, Kilmurray.
Christine Coady, Rosewood.
Forde Family, Model Farm Road.
Jack, Essa & Ursula Lane, Blarney Street.
Kathleen O'Connor, Innishmore Court.
Michael O'Regan, Carriganarra.
Nuala Delaney, Inniscarra View.
Daniel & Margaret Murphy, Knockburden.
Daniel Murphy, Bray.
John Doab, The Crescent.
Christine Riordan, Douglas.
Mary, Stephen & Terry O'Driscoll, Kinsale.
Philip Hall, Rosewood.
Denis O'Neill, Ballineen.
Rita Lynch, Beech Park.
Helen Kenneally, Beech Park.
Josephine McCarthy, Westcourt.

THE SUNDAY READINGS

First Reading: Amos 8:4-7
We are called to act with justice.

Second Reading: 1 Timothy 2:1-8
Paul reminds us to think of others and to pray for them.

Gospel: Luke 16:1-13
At first, it would seem that this Gospel passage praises dishonesty, but in fact, it gives credit for a clever and quick response. There was a man who managed the land for his master. What his misdeeds were not quite clear, but something had gone wrong in their relationship and the manager was about to be fired. Not physically able to dig ditches and too proud to beg, the manager worried about how he would live. In a quick response, he went to all the people who owed his master produce and had them change their bills to reflect a lesser amount. In this way, the people who saved money would welcome the manager into their homes once he had been fired. The master wasn't rewarding the manager for his dishonesty, but for his cleverness and quick thinking. The point Jesus wanted to make with this parable was to let the crowd know that they should be wise in their use of the world's goods, because if they are used selfishly, they will fail us. However, if we share our resources with others, true wealth will await us in the Kingdom. The final point of Jesus' words was that we cannot serve two masters, God and money.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Twenty Fifth Week In Ordinary Time

18 Sunday Am. 8:4-7. Ps. 112. 1 Tim. 2: 1-8. Lk. 16: 1-13. Lect I: 910
19 Monday Prov. 3:27-34. Ps. 14. Lk. 8:16-18. Lect II: 776
20 Tuesday Prov 21 :1-6,10-13. Ps 1 18. Lk 8:19-21. Lect II: 778
21 Wednesday Eph. 4:1-7. Ps. 18. Mt. 9:9-13. Lect II: 1198
22 Thursday Eccles (Qoh). 1 :2-11. Ps. 89. Lk. 9:7-9. Lect II: 782
23 Friday Eccles (Qoh). 3: 1-11. Ps. 143. Lk. 9: 18-22. Lect II: 784
24 Saturday Eccles (Qoh). 11 :9-12:8. Ps. 89. Lk. 9:43-45. Lect II: 786

Next Sunday's Readings 25-September-2016

Am. 6:1, 4-7. Ps. 145. 1 Tim. 6:11-16. Lk. 16:19- 31. Lect I: 914

BAPTISMS

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

Aisling Margaret Elliott, The Sycamores.
Aiden Jack Byrne, Shalimar Court, Poulavone.
Abbie Rose English, Ard-Sionnadh, Shanakiel.
Chloe Margaret Power, An Caisleán.
Odhran Dylan Kelly, River's Edge, Fionn Laoi.
Oliver Eunan Russell, Bridgewater.
Daniel Michael Hayes, Classes Lake.
Daisy Fiadh Brant, Muskerry Estate.
Rea Louise Roper, Church View.
Kaci Marie O'Flynn, Rosewood.

"Mothers' Prayers" Group

Continue every Thursday at 10 am.
At 'SONAS', Station Road
Mothers, Grandmothers, Godmothers all welcome!

An Invitation to Remember...

A Service of Remembrance
will be held
By Cork University Maternity Hospital
On Friday 7th October 2016 at 7.30pm
In the Sacred Heart Church, Western Road, Cork
All who have experienced pregnancy or infant loss are
welcome to attend

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Cork Simon Community

Join The Great Cork Simon Supper this September by hosting a meal at home, work, or in the community to raise funds for Cork Simon Community. Every €150 raised feeds 50 people who are homeless in Cork. Your support will help save lives.

Contact Kate Hargrave on 021 4929 415 or visit corksmon.ie/supper for more information.

Autism Conference

The Cork Autism Conference takes place on October 9th at the Oriel House Hotel, Ballincollig, Cork from 9am until 4.30pm. In this conference 5 highly respected medical practitioners and specialists in autism and Asperger's syndrome share valuable resources for your child, family member, friend, student or yourself. You can avail of a special early bird rate of only €49 until September, 18th.

Find out more details here: www.bookwhen.com/corkautism or call Micheál on 0861719311.

South Chapel's 250th Anniversary

St. Finbarr's South Church, the oldest Catholic church in the city is celebrating its 250th at the end of this month. South Chapel, as it is affectionately known, has a special place in the hearts of so many in Cork. The place of Baptism, First Communion, Confirmation or Marriage. Come along and be part of the festivities.

Friday 23rd September, a Gala Fundraising Concert at 8 pm. Saturday a Heritage Day.

Sunday 25th St. Finbarr's Day the 250th Anniversary Mass at 11 am.

Tickets for the Gala Concert €20, available at the Parish Office, or phone 0851471147 (payment by cheque or PayPal) and also from Pro Musica. Further Info. See Our Facebook Page: St. Finbarr's South Church

**A.G.M. of the Ballincollig Parish Pastoral Council
Monday September 19th at 7.45pm
Annex of the Community Hall**

The Parish Pastoral Council is a 30 strong group of Parishioners who hold a shared vision of the Church as a people of God, and together work out a shared vision for the Parish Community. It is a hands on group who help to promote and advertise different events in the parish and are involved in organising these events. The Parish Council communicates and works with parishioners of all ages.

Meetings are held throughout the year in the Annex of the Community Hall. The A.G.M. is held annually in September. New members are needed at this time and will be facilitated with an introductory session.

St. Vincent de Paul, Ballincollig

Would like to thank you for our September 3th/4th Church door collection of €2,848.47. This was from St. Mary & St. John, Christ our Light and St. James, Ballinora churches. Our next collection will be on 1st/2nd October. Our telephone helpline is: 087 665 1707.

Bulletin Board

Mass Diaries

Mass Diaries to book Mass intentions for October, November & December are now open in both churches.

Envelope Collection for Education of Students

The annual Collection for the Education of Students for the Priesthood will take place next weekend September 24th/25th, 2016. This Collection is the primary means whereby the Diocese funds its students in seminary. You will be aware that over the past three years, the Diocese has had three ordinations to priesthood, we expect another next June and we have, at this time, five other seminarians at Maynooth.

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

Anam Cara

The national organisation that supports bereaved parents, is holding a Bereavement Information Evening on Tuesday 27th of September from 19:30 to 21:30 in the Westlodge Hotel, Bantry, Co. Cork. The guest speaker for the evening is Brid Carroll. This is a free event open to all bereaved parents. As Anam Cara will need to confirm numbers for event, please RSVP to info@anamcara.ie before Monday 26th September or call the Information Line on 085 2888 888.

Anam Cara has recently produced some important new resources – all developed by bereaved parents themselves. Our short Anam Cara videos can be viewed here. If you would like a free copy of our Information Pack for Bereaved Parents, please reply with your address and we'll happily post it out to you.

Gougane Barra Sunday,

Year of Mercy,
25th September 2016.

Rosary will be recited at 2.00 pm.

Concelebrated Mass will be begin at 2.30 pm. Cardinal Seán Brady, Archbishop Emeritus of Armagh, will preach the homily.

To commemorate the Year of Mercy a Gate/Door of Mercy will be created at the entrance to St Finbarr's Island.

Rooms For Rent

For Leisure & Social Activities
Weekdays: 3.30pm – 10.00pm

Community Hall, Station Road ,Ballincollig, Co. Cork

Apply to:

The Secretary, The Presbytery, Station Road, Ballincollig, Co. Cork

Email Address: ballincolligparish@gmail.com

MINISTERS OF THE WORD

Sep-24 & Sep-25-2016

St. Mary & St. John

Christ Our Light

6:00 pm (Vigil)
Aine Sheehan
Michael Collins
8:30 am
Tom McDonagh
Sean Casey
10:00 am
Grace Buttimer
Orla Horgan
12:00 Noon
Tony Lynch
Shane Tully

7:30 pm (Vigil)
Nonyi Ebili
Jennifer 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	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	Saturday	4:30 pm
Except First Saturday of Month		First Saturday of Month
12:45 pm	Sunday	

PARISH CLERGY

Priest on Duty	087-2479140
Fr. George O'Mahony P.P.	021-4871206
Fr. Cian O'Sullivan C.C.	021-4876171

Funeral Pastoral Team Rota

19-Sep-2016 to 25-Sep-2016
Michael O'Leary
Kay O'Sullivan

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

Sep-24 & Sep-25-2016

St. Mary & St. John

Christ Our Light

6.00 pm Eileen Murphy
Ted Nelligan
Maurice Bunyan
Sheila Walshe
Katie Collins
Aisling Leahy

7:30 pm John O'Donoghue
Mary Dineen
Mairead Keenan
Kay O'Sullivan

8:30 am Helen Kelly
Michael Crowley
Eileen Corkery

11:00 am Mona Bowen
Diarmuid Horgan
Bill Barry / Sylvia Manley
Mary Aylward
Pauline Baston

10:00 am Fionnuala McDonagh
Mary Buckle
Fiona Kelly
Katie O'Shea
Martin O'Leary
Andrej Januko

12:30 pm Maura O'Driscoll
Mary Lehane
Dympna Byrne
Suzanne Leech

12 Noon Ann-Marie Cosgrove
Phil Kennedy
Ellen O'Sullivan
Ursula McAuliffe
Sally Crowley
Helen Plunkett

5:30 pm Shelia Curran
Elizabeth O'Sullivan

Free DIY Service for Older People

Age Action's Care & Repair programme is providing DIY work free of charge for older people in Cork. The service has been in operation since 2009 and is expanding year on year as demand grows.

Regional Manager John O'Mahony says that at this time of year people start to think about preparing for the autumn and winter months. "In September people begin to think about getting their garden tidied up or getting things like painting done before the evenings get dark and the weather turns."

Often, older people are no longer able to do these types of jobs themselves. At Age Action we have volunteers who can help with DIY jobs around the house. In general if it takes less than about two hours it's something our volunteers would do free of charge.

For bigger jobs that our volunteers can't do, we keep a list of reliable tradesmen whose contact details we can provide for professional quotations.

To inquire about the Care & Repair service or to request a job, simply call Age Action at their new office on the Model Farm Rd.

For more information contact John O'Mahony, Age Action, 021-2067399