

THE BALLINCOLLIG PARISHIONER



St. Mary & St. John
Station Road

Sunday 22-April-2018

Fourth Sunday Of Easter

(Day of Prayer for Vocations)

Sometimes we can lose our sense of direction, we become the prey of empty fears and false pleasures. Today we are reminded that in Jesus we have someone who will always guide us right and protect us. If we listen to him and follow him we will have the fullest possible life.



Christ Our Light
Innishmore

Gaudete et Exsultate - Rejoice and Be Glad

This letter from Pope Francis is an outline of a call to holiness and is described by some as a masterpiece by the Pope and his personal definition of holiness. Many Catholics would shy away from applying holiness to themselves or as a serious aim in life. Yet the call to holiness is universal and the practice of it should be as natural and familiar as any good habit. The parent who cares lovingly for a child, the carpenter who skilfully repairs a wardrobe, the business owner who behaves honourably and conscientiously towards their staff and customers, indeed anyone who aspires to become the person God means them to be is engaged in becoming holy. Holiness is not remote from everyday life; it is the very stuff daily life is made up of. Everyone is called to be holy.

This inspiring document should not be misunderstood as Pope Francis simply responding to his critics. Like all good spiritual writing, there are lines in every page that will make every reader uncomfortable. Pope Francis clearly regards his job not only as comforting the afflicted but also in afflicting the comfortable. At which he will undoubtedly succeed.

Fr. George O'Mahony

Thought for Today

Jesus speaks of the freedom of the Good Shepherd in laying down his life. Faced with the needs of others, we can at times feel trapped into looking after them, caught by duty, obligation or guilt. We can become like the hired hands that do a job without care for the person. Perhaps you have experienced both attitudes, caring for others under duress and by free choice. What difference did it make when you chose to care for the other, even in circumstances where you had little option?

Scout Organisation Mass

The Annual Mass for current and deceased members of the Scout Organisation in Cork will be held on Thursday next April 26th, at the SMA church Blackrock Road, at 8.00pm. All present and past members, as well as their relatives and friends are welcome to attend..

PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL

Priest

We pray for a growing respect for the life of each human person from conception to natural death, and we pray that this respect may be protected in our laws.

Reader

We pray for mothers whose baby was stillborn or whose baby died in the womb and who longed for their baby with such joy, hope and love.

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

We pray for our country that it may be distinguished by deep respect for the life and dignity of every person, young and old, rich and poor, native or emigrant, born or unborn.

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

We pray for doctors and nurses that they may always see themselves as protectors of human life.

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

We pray for the sick and those who live with fear and anxiety.

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

We pray for those who have died; that the Lord may bring them to paradise.

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

For ourselves: that our own special needs may have a place within the presence of God.

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

Priest

Lord God, through the resurrection of your Son, you have kindled in our hearts the hope of eternal life. Guard this hope with your grace, and bring it to fulfilment in the kingdom of heaven. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

The stone which the builders rejected has become the corner stone.

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† IN SYMPATHY †

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

Dan McCarthy, Dublin.
Arthur Moynihan (Snr.), Rathmore.
Helen Coughlan, Clash.

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

Jack O'Farrell, Ballydehob.
Breda Lynch, Hillsboro.
Eileen Murphy, Muskerry Estate.
Dec. Members of the O'Mahony Family, Ballinora.
Lily Dennis, Castlepark.
Helen Lynch, Gurranes.
Lena Dennehy, Castlevew.
Margaret Collar, Manor Hill/Castletownbere.
William & Mamie Kavanagh, East Gate.
Josephine Lehane, Bandon.
Dec. Members of the O'Shea & Sexton families.
Valerie & Jack Frenett, Cobh.
Fr. Anthony Saga, Japan.
Mary Linehan, Inniscarra View.
Essie Buttimer, Macroom.
Jeremy Lynch, Limeworth.
Mary O'Callaghan, Mallow.
Mary Sexton, Douglas.
Michael McAdoo, Rosewood.
Jeremiah Cunningham, Dillon's Cross.
Mary & John Lucey, Coolroe, Ballincollig.
Billy Holmes, Kerrypike.
David Holmes, Blarney/London.
Tony & Miah O'Sullivan, Station Road.

First Holy Communion Dates 2018

Saturday 28th April	Scoil Mhuire
Saturday 12th May	Scoil Barra/Our Lady of Good Counsel
Saturday 19th May	Gaelscoil Uí Riordáin
Saturday 26th May	Scoil Eoin

Confirmation Dates 2018

Friday 27th April Gaelscoil Ui Riordan

Vocations Sunday – 22nd April

An invitation to men who may be wanting to explore the call to Priesthood in our diocese to come together on Sunday next, 22nd April from 2:30pm to 5:30pm at the Pastoral Development Office in Ballyphehane to reflect and discuss on this vocation in their life.

If you would like to know more about the afternoon
Contact Fr Charlie Kiely on 021 4537603.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Fourth Week Of Easter

22 Sunday Acts 4:8-12. Ps 117. 1 in 3:1-2. Jn 10:11-18. Lect I: 490
23 Monday Acts 1:1-18. Ps 41. Jn 10:1-10. Lect I: 496
24 Tuesday Acts 11:19-26. Ps 86. in. 10:22-30. Lect I: 499
25 Wednesday 1 Pet 5:5-14. Ps 88. Mk 16:15-20. Lect II: 1005
26 Thursday Acts 13:13-25. Ps 88. Jn 13:16-20. Lect I: 503
27 Friday Acts 13:26-33. Ps 2. Jn 14:1-6. Lect I: 505
28 Saturday 13 Saturday Acts 13:44-52. Ps 97. Jn 4:7-14. Lect I: 508

Next Sunday's Readings 29-April-2018

Acts 9:26-31. Ps 21. 1 Jn 3:18-24. Jn 15:1-8. Lect I: 514

BAPTISMS

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

Jack Peter McSweeney, Fionn Laoi.
Aoife Kate Dennehy, Inniscarra View.
Alex John O'Riordan, Coolroe Meadows.
Bear William Tarnaud-Gibbons, Glincool.
Hazel Deirdre Hickey, Old Quarter.
Aiah Galvin-O'Driscoll, Farnanes.
Áine Grace Lonergan, Grange Manor

THE SUNDAY READINGS

First Reading: Acts 4: 8-12
Peter, who had once trembled before a servant maid is now fearless before the High Priest through the grace of the Holy Spirit as Jesus had promised. Instead of defending himself he preaches the new Faith. Salvation comes through the person of Christ, not through the rigorous observation of the Law, as the Jews believed.

Second Reading: 1 John 3: 1-2
Because God has adopted the faithful into his family the world hates them. But the adoption entitles them to a future state of glory, like that of God himself. The true nature of this glorification is not yet clear; but after this life faith will give way to the vision of God.

Gospel: John 10: 11-18
The image of the shepherd and the sheep is taken from many passages in the Old Testament. The single sentence "I am the good shepherd" would have called up much of sacred scripture for those listening to Jesus. In this lovely poetic passage, Jesus speaks of the affection that unites him with his followers. He looks beyond the Jewish nation to the whole gentile world where "the other sheep" await the call of the good shepherd. So much does the Good Shepherd love his sheep that he is prepared to lay down his life for them.

Prayer to St. John Paul II

From the window of Heaven, where we see you next to Mary, send down upon us all the blessing of God. Amen.

Defibrillator

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 Certified training will be organised and provided in the Parish.
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Musical Matters

Scoil Barra proudly presents 'A Musical Journey'.
 The pupils of 5th and 6th classes at Scoil Barra, Ballincollig are delighted to present their latest show..
 'A Musical Journey' with favourites from Beauty and the Beast, Oliver!, The Wizard of Oz and The Lion King .
 Musical Matinee on Sunday 29th April at 2.30pm. Musical Evening Performances on Monday 30th, Tuesday 1st, Wednesday 2nd, Thursday 3rd at 7.30pm. Tickets available from the Secretary's Office, Scoil Barra, Innishmore, Ballincollig from Thursday 19th Tel: 021- 4873459. Adult €10 Child €6. A great night's entertainment is guaranteed!.

Ballincollig Community School.

The Parents Association in Ballincollig Community School are holding a talk in the school for Parents on Wednesday 25th April at 7.30pm ..
 Speaker: Ms. Eileen Keane. Qualified life and Parent coach..
 Topic: Surviving the teenage years and Teenage self esteem..
 All are welcome. Admission is free. Contact: Mary Daly.

Diocesan Collection.

The quarterly collection in aid of the Diocesan Funds will be taken up next week end at all masses 28th & 29th April..

Family Mass.

The next Family Mass for parents with children in second class preparing for their first Holy Communion will take place on Sunday 6th May at 11.00am in Church of Christ Our Light. The Parents of children who are seven and eight are asked to bring them to this Mass. Preparation with these children commences in the main body of the church at 10.45am. .

Pilgrimage to Knock

Legion of Mary annual Pilgrimage to Knock on Sunday, 20th May 2018. Bus leaving at bus stop outside Garda Station at 7.45am sharp. For details contact:
 Sally 021-4870954 or Cathleen 021-4874730.

Music Morning.

The monthly Music Morning will take place in the Ballincollig Library on next Tuesday, April 24th at 11am. It will be presented by David McInerney. Everyone is welcome and a cuppa will be served.

Bulletin Board

Coeliac Hosts

Low gluten hosts are available that are suitable for Coeliac. Please inform the priest prior to Mass if possible if you require it.

Communion for the Sick

Remembering and praying by the family of believers is part of every worship especially the Mass. Ministers of the Eucharist or a priest go from the praying community to the sick with Holy Communion. Please let the celebrant of Mass know when you wish communion to be taken to the sick. Bringing Holy Communion to the sick is both a privilege and a responsibility.

Baptism Preparation.

The next Baptism preparation will take place on Saturday 16th June at 12.00 noon in the Library Room, Community Hall, Station Road. The presentation lasts for approximately forty minutes. The following questions are addressed, What is Baptism? What are the symbols used in the Sacrament of Baptism? How can the family become involved in the ceremony? Parents might book the baptism a few weeks in advance to give ample time to take part in the preparation..

Confirmation

Congratulations to the boys in Scoil Eoin who received the sacrament of Confirmation on Friday, 20th April. Sincere thanks to the parents and dedicated teachers who work diligently preparing young people for the sacrament..

Confirmation

Please pray for the boys and girls in the Gaelscoil who will receive the sacrament of Confirmation on Friday 27th April. Sincere thanks to the parents and dedicated teachers who work diligently preparing young people for the sacrament..

First Holy Communion

Please pray for the girls in Scoil Mhuire who will receive the sacrament of Holy Communion on Saturday 28th April. Sincere thanks to the parents and dedicated teachers who work diligently preparing young people for the sacrament..

Fr. George

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MINISTERS OF THE WORD

Apr-28 & Apr-29-2018

St. Mary & St. John

Christ Our Light

6:00 pm (Vigil)

Karen Sheehan
Darragh Lankford

8:30 am

Triona Downey / Miriam Healy
Riain Brennan

10:00 am

Rory Horgan
Kate Green

12:00 Noon

Sean Hennessy
Shane Lehane

7:30 pm (Vigil)

Fiona Feely

11:00 am

Jack Dorgan / Joseph Buckley
Irene Iduozee

12:30 pm

Joseph Manning

5:30 pm

Kevin 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

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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

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Fr. Cian O'Sullivan C.C.

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Funeral Pastoral Team Rota

23-Apr-2018 to 29-Apr-2018

Laurence Cunningham

Virginia Harrington

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

Apr-28 & Apr-29-2018

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

Billy Barry
Mary Aylward
Pauline Baston
Diarmuid Horgan
Sylvia Manley

10:00 am

Fionnuala McDonagh
Mary Buckley
Fiona Kelly
Martin O'Leary
Andrej Janukowicz

12:30 pm

Maura O'Driscoll
Mary Lehane
Dympna Byrne
Suzanne Leech
Mona Bowen

12 Noon

Ann-Marie Cosgrove
Phil Kennedy
Ellen O'Sullivan
Ursula McAuliffe
Sally Crowley

5:30 pm

Shelia Curran
Elizabeth O'Sullivan

Ballincollig Darkness Into Light 2018

Registration is now open

Please register **online** at dil.pieta.ie
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Wake up and walk with us on **Saturday**
12th May, Colaiste Choilm @ 4.15 a.m.

