

THE BALLINCOLLIG PARISHIONER

Sunday 27-May-2018



St. Mary & St. John
Station Road

The Most Holy Trinity

What a pity that for many the Trinity is just an intellectual puzzle! For the believer it is a sign of how close God has come to us by revealing (but not reducing) the mystery of his Being. He draws us into the mystery making us his children by the gift of the Spirit.



Christ Our Light
Innishmore

The Most Holy Trinity

The blessed Trinity is not just a puzzle, which in principle could be solved but rather a mystery; a relationship which is first of all lived, never exhausted and only inadequately spoken of in words. This is true of any of the significant relationships in our lives and true therefore all the more so of God. Within the mystery of this relationship we recognise God from whom we come, in whom we live and move and have our being. We recognise the Son as the Way, the Truth and the Life and we recognise the Spirit, who helps us to pray when we do not know how to pray as we ought.

The world we live in is far from perfect; if the world were perfect then it would be heaven. Because our world is full of imperfection, there is sickness, pain and suffering, violent crimes inflicted by human beings on others. There are also many uncertainties, lots of evil and anguish in our world and we wonder at times where is God, has He taken a holiday or gone asleep. The God we believe in sent His son Jesus to reveal the depth of his love for each of us. This love led Jesus to his death, so every time I witness the Host broken at Mass is a reminder of that love. The first Book of Kings 17: 7- 16 we read of the widow sharing her final Jar of meal with the stranger. She puts her trust "Do not be afraid," God said "Jar of meal shall not be spent!" Lord Give me a trust in you similar to the widow.

George O'Mahony

Reflection for Parents

The Trinity is a mystery so profound and beyond human understanding that no human words can even approach understanding it. We need to go to another plane of understanding to even begin to grasp it. It can only be understood by love.

Think of a baby girl. A baby needs to be given everything in order to survive, she cannot do it herself. For months, all she will understand is the loving arms that support her. The warmth of another body tells her that everything is ok. The only language she can understand is love. When we think of the Blessed Trinity, the only thing we can do is bask in the radiance of the love of the Father, the Son and Holy Spirit, a love that we now share in, by the mystery of Christ's death and resurrection.

PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL

Priest

Let us now offer our prayers to the Lord who offers himself to us.

Reader

May the Eucharist sustain Pope Francis and all our leaders in their task of proclaiming and teaching the faith.

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

For those who hunger for meaning and thirst for righteousness, that they may be fed and satisfied.

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

For the strong and the powerful of this earth, that they may act justly towards the weak and the poor.

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

For young people who are taking exams at this time, that the Lord may lead them and guide them.

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

For those who have gone before us on life's journey may be welcomed into the life of the Trinity.

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

For those who have died, that they may share in the eternal Eucharist of heaven.

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

Priest

We thank you, Lord, for the gift of the Eucharist, as we make these prayers. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Happy the people the Lord had chosen as his own.

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† IN SYMPATHY †

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

Geraldine Coyle, Powdermills Nursing Home.
 Martin Moore, Beech Park.
 Mary O'Hallorhan, Shamrock Drive.
 Denis Ahern, Montenotte.

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

Ellen (Nell) McDonnell, Donoughmore.
 George O'Mahony, Currabeg.
 Paddy Long, Parknamore.
 Billy Dorney.
 Martina McCarthy, Castle Ave.
 Eileen O'Mahony, Leevew, Carrigrohane.
 Sheila Dinneen, Curraheen Cross.
 Noel McCarthy, Oaklands.
 William & Catherine Ryan, St. Anthony's Lawn.
 Owen O'Neill, Currabeg, Ovens.
 Michael, Mary & Kieran McNulty, Fr. Sexton Park.
 Jean Kearney, Muskerry Estate.
 Dec. Members of the O'Driscoll & Sisk Families.
 Jeremiah & John O'Leary, Sunningdale & Cloghroe.
 Maureen & Con Cremin & son Con, Glasheen.
 Patrick O'Leary, St. Enda's Road.
 Seamus Keating, Youghal.
 Hannah & Peter Crowley, Leemount.
 Elizabeth & Seán Crowley, Poulavone.
 Emily Moynihan, Rathmore.

Annual Eucharistic Procession

Will take place on Saturday June 2nd 2018

The Procession will leave the church of St. Mary & St. John immediately after the 6pm Vigil Mass (approx. 6.40pm) and proceed down Station Road, on to the Main St as far as Castlepark and back to Church View for Benediction. You and your family are invited to take part in the Eucharistic Procession. Families of children who received their First Holy Communion and who celebrated the sacrament of Confirmation recently are especially invited to take part. Please make every effort.

Down Syndrome Ice Cream Sunday

27th MAY

Ice Cream will be available after mass on Sunday 27th May, all donations will be given to Down Syndrome Ireland.
 Christ Our Light Church 11am and 12.30 Masses
 St Mary and St John 10am and 12 noon Masses

Music Morning.

The monthly Music Morning in the Ballincollig Library next Tuesday, 29th May at 11am will be the final one of the season and will be presented by Joan Kenneally. Everyone is welcome and a cuppa will be served.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Eleventh Week In Ordinary Time

27 Sunday Deut 4:32-34. 39-40. Ps 32. Rom 8:14-17. Mt 28:16-20. Lect I: 613
 28 Monday 1 Pet 1:3-9. Ps 110. Mk 10:17-27. Lect II: 549
 29 Tuesday 1 Pet 1:10-16. Ps 97. Mk 10:28-31. Lect II: 551
 30 Wednesday 1 Pet 1:18-25. Ps 147. Mk 10:32-45. Lect II: 553
 31 Thursday Zeph. 3: 14-18 or Rom. 12:9-16. Ps. Is 12. Lk. 1 :39-56. Lect II: 1040
 01 Friday 1 Pet 4:7-13. Ps 95. Mk 11:11-26. Lect II: 557
 02 Saturday Jude 17:20-25. Ps 62. Mk 11:27-33. Lect II: 560

Next Sunday's Readings 03-June-2018

Ex. 24:3-8. Ps. 115. Heb. 9: 11-15. Mk. 14: 12-16. 22:26. Lect I:622

THE SUNDAY READINGS

First Reading Deuteronomy 4: 32-34. 39-40
 There is always a unique sense of vocation at the Baptism Ceremony. God calls us by name. The parents and the Godparents, their family and the Baptism Team all give a sense of family and community, of being part of an incredible and evolving story, salvation history. We walk in the footsteps of those who lived the 'laws and commandments' and sacrificed so much so that we 'may prosper' today. There is always a unique sense of vocation at the Baptism Ceremony. God calls us by name. The parents and the Godparents, their family and the Baptism Team all give a sense of family and community, of being part of an incredible and evolving story, salvation history. We walk in the footsteps of those who lived the 'laws and commandments' and sacrificed so much so that we 'may prosper' today.

Second Reading Letter from St. Paul to the Romans 8: 14-17
 We are children of God: created by our Abba, heirs with Christ, and led by the Spirit. We have been chosen because of great love.

Gospel Reading Matthew 28: 16-20
 From a great mountaintop, Jesus commissions the disciples to go forth and baptize in the name of God as Trinity. A little bit of hesitation can be a good thing. It's like a safety valve that stops a boiler from overheating. That some of the disciples were hesitant gives us all hope. The problem with the hesitation in our modern world is that there is a fear of proclaiming any message at all. The truth gets strangled in order not to offend. It is the age of the intolerant tolerant.

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Permanent Deacons.

Bishop Buckley invites applications from men interested in serving as Permanent Deacons in the Diocese of Cork & Ross. The minimum age for ordination as a permanent deacon is twenty-five years for a celibate man, and thirty-five years for a married man. The maximum age is sixty years. While married men may be ordained, deacons who are widowed may not remarry. The four-year programme of preparation is part-time, as is the subsequent ministry. Initial contact should be as soon as possible as the application process must be completed in June for a course of preparation beginning in September 2018. It is probable that a course will not commence again in Munster until 2021. Those interested should contact their local priest or the Diocesan Director of the Permanent Diaconate for Cork and Ross, Canon Bertie O'Mahony, PP, Parochial House, Model Farm Road, phone (021) 4346940 or (087) 2519940, or Fr Billy O'Sullivan PP, Turner's Cross, phone (021) 4313103 or (086) 8235291.

Bulletin Board

First Friday

Friday 1st June 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.

Family Mass

The next Family Mass for parents with children in second class preparing for their first Holy Communion will take place on Sunday 3rd June 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 San Giovanni Rotondo

The holy places associated with Padre Pio and the highlights of Puglia

Remembering the fiftieth anniversary of the death of St Padre Pio

29-September to 5 October 2018

Group leader: Mrs Eleanor Lynch
Spiritual Director: Fr Ben Hodnett

Full details and itinerary from Marian Pilgrimages
01-8788159 or www.marian.ie
or Mrs Eleanor Lynch 087 2190410

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.

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

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..

Balance Summer Camp Fundraiser

Pop concert with MUSICA Orchestra and Keith Hanley in aid of Balance Summer Camp will take place on Thursday, 31st May at 8pm in Christ our Light Church. Tickets available from Balance Shop and Café and Stalks and Stems, Tramore Road.
Contact: Annette O'Sullivan 4874883

First Holy Communion.

Congratulations to the boys of Scoil Eoin who received the sacrament of Holy Communion on Saturday 26th May. Sincere thanks to the parents and dedicated teachers who work diligently preparing young people for the sacrament.

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.

Mass Diaries

Mass Diaries to book Mass intentions for July, August & September will open in both churches on Saturday June 9th. Priority will be given to those booking 1st Anniversary Mass.

Defibrillator Training

Training will commence in July
All volunteers will be contacted nearer the date

Fr. George

MINISTERS OF THE WORD

Jun-02 & Jun-03-2018

St. Mary & St. John

Christ Our Light

6:00 pm (Vigil)

Sean Collins
Ben Purcell
8:30 am
Triona Downey/Riain Brennan
Miriam Healy
10:00 am
Shannan O'Brien
Erin Holmes
12:00 Noon
Sean Hennessy
Shane Lehane

7:30 pm (Vigil)

Pauline Collins
Dyan Ebilli
11:00 am
Kristian Calvert
Amy Ni Chearbhaill
12:30 pm
Aisling Dore
Sarah O'Connell
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	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

28-May-2018 to 03-Jun-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

Jun-02 & Jun-03-2018

St. Mary & St. John

Christ Our Light

6.00 pm Steve Wills
Bernadette Bell
Jim Walsh
Frances O'Brien
Eileen Coughlan

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

8:30 am Mary Buckley
Denis Healy
Tom Butler

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

10:00 am Christy Roche
Mary O'Regan
Elaine Crowley
Anna Buckley
Claire Creedon
Jim Lordan

12:30 pm Lucy O'Callaghan
Jackie Sheehan
Michael O'Leary
J.P.O'Leary
Eweelina Kudzynska

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

5:30 pm Noelle Buckley
Mary Breen
Valerie Barry

A Joy for All the Earth

Love bears all things, endures all things
Love longs for all things good, love never ends
Spirit, Love is patient, and love is kind
Love is not resentful; it is not rude.
Love is not arrogant, nor boastful, nor jealous
but love rejoices, rejoices in the truth

Refrain

**Here in Gods family all find their home.
All can find salvation troubled souls find peace.
Here is found tenderness, compassion and justice
Here God reaches down to us and touches us with grace.**

Love is our origin, our constant calling.
Love is our fulfilment, in God's dwelling place.
Love is the mystery of Father, Son and
Love is communion of blessed Trinity.

Refrain

This is what God asks of us, to act with justice,
to love with tenderness, to walk humbly with God,
to give our lives in service to others.
The joy of the Gospel is the joyful love of Christ!

Refrain

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