

THE BALLINCOLLIG PARISHIONER



St. Mary & St. John
Station Road

Sunday 29-April-2018

Fifth Sunday Of Easter

Part of the great revelation of the New Testament is the notion that God is coming among us to make all things new; that means removing all the causes of guilt and grief in human life. We show our acceptance of this renewal of our lives by our love for one another.



Christ Our Light
Innishmore

An Invitation to Prayer with the Churches of Ballincollig and District

“Thy Kingdom come” the prayer of Jesus for all Disciples of Christ.

“That they maybe one,” the prayer of Jesus for the unity of all Disciples of Christ.

This is why we encourage all our church members to make a personal commitment to pray daily from Friday, 11th May to Saturday, 19th May, i.e. between Ascension Day and Pentecost Sunday for the ancient Novena (9 days) of Prayer for Pentecost. Every day guidelines for prayer will be available on social media, by signing up for emails and information on websites etc.

From this island of Ireland to the global village, the call to prayer is urgent. We would love you to join us as individuals and groups, or come together to pray in twos or threes. More details will be available next week.

Fr. George O'Mahony and Rev. Canon Ian Jones

Thought for Today

As with all good vine growers, God cares for his crop, nurturing it, pruning it, giving it all it needs so that it can grow and reach its full potential. We are no doubt the branches. What does it mean to be a branch? Branches must be connected to the vine or they bear no fruit. Even those branches that do bear fruit need pruning so that they can grow and bear even more fruit. As we are all too well aware, productivity seems to be the measure of success in the world today, in our education system, in the workplace, in economics; we are measured by what we produce. Is Jesus really adding to the pressure by telling us that he wants to see results or else!? Perhaps we can read this passage in terms of connectivity. Think of your most intimate friendships and relationships. You don't measure their weight in terms of productivity, do you? But you do want to stay connected right?

It is this closeness, this intimacy that Jesus calls us to: 'abide in me'. Are you connected or disconnected? If the connection is strong, then fruit-bearing comes naturally and people will see the gospel in our lives and in the way we respond to the world. If we are connected, all manner of things are possible for us.

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 couples for whom the birth of a child may create particular challenges, that they may find within themselves and in the wider family circle the resources they need to welcome their child with joy and love.

**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 all who are involved in medical research – that they may seek new and better ways to heal the sick and prevent disease and that they may always respect the dignity of each human life from its beginning to its natural end.

**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.

You, Lord, are my praise in the great assembly.

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† IN SYMPATHY †

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

Phyllis Butler, Glincool.
 Sarah Danaher-Greene, Model Farm Road.
 Terence O'Brien, Ballincollig.
 Dan McAuliffe, Shamrock Lawn, Douglas.
 Paddy O'Sullivan, Ovens.

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

Noel Murphy, Model Farm Road,
 Kieran Collins, West Village.
 Cornelius & Eileen Bradley, Carrigrohane.
 Andy & Mollie Nolan, Wicklow.
 Edmond & Frances O'Donovan, Cloyne.
 Daisy Downey, Castle Road.
 May Murphy, Blarney.
 William Murphy, Blarney.
 Noreen & Elmer Layman, Inniscarra/U.S.A..
 Sally O'Sullivan, Carriganarra.
 Dec. Members of the Murphy Family Beara.
 Denis Mannix, Doneraile.
 John Meehan, Cork & Glasgow.
 Ellen Ryan, , Waterfall.
 Vera Walsh, The Maltings.
 Margaret & Michael Murray, Greenfield Est., Douglas.
 Phil Collins, , West Village.
 Jack Hurley, Hawthorn Avenue.
 Frank Brennan, Grange/Ovens.
 Val, Mary & Finbarr Riordan, Glasheen/Oxford.
 Rita Lacey, , Ballineen.
 Ann Murphy, Muskerry Estate.
 Fr. Denis Dullea, Windsor, Ovens.
 Thomas & Mary Delaney, Maglin.

First Holy Communion Dates 2018

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

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READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Fifth Week Of Easter

29 Sunday Acts 9:26-31. Ps 21. 1 Jn 3:18-24. Jn 15:1-8. Lect I: 514
 30 Monday Acts 14:5-18. Ps 113B. Jn 14:21-26. Lect I: 519
 01 Tuesday Acts 14:19-28. Ps 144. Jn 14:27-31. Lect I: 522
 02 Wednesday Acts 15:1-6. Ps 121. Jn 15:1-8. Lect I: 524
 03 Thursday 1 Cor. 15:1-8. Ps. 18. Jln. 14:6-14. Lect II: 1017
 04 Friday Acts 15:22-31. Ps 56. Jn 15:12-17. Lect I: 528
 05 Saturday Acts 16:1-10. Ps 99. Jn 15:18-21. Lect I: 531

Next Sunday's Readings 06-May-2018

Acts 10:25-26, 34-35, 44-48. Ps 97 1 Jn 4:7-10. Jn 15: 9-17. Lect I: 536

BAPTISMS

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

William Mortimer Murray, Carrigrohane Road.
 Stephen Thomas Browne, Willowgrove.
 Kayla Margaret Buckley, Classes Lake.
 Mark Richard Walsh, Westcliffe.

THE SUNDAY READINGS

First Reading: Acts 9: 26-31
 When St. Stephen was stoned to death because of his preaching Paul (then known as Saul) was in charge of the execution. Now, however, after his conversion on the road to Damascus, he returns to Jerusalem and takes up where Stephen left off: preaching the same message. Again this preaching arouses the same fury and the Disciples, fearing for his life, sent him away to his home town of Tarsus.

Second Reading: 1 John 3: 18-24
 Love of God and of the neighbour are inseparable. In practising either we must not rest satisfied with expressions of devotion and good will. Only when charity is active does conscience assure us that we are leading sincere Christian lives. Two things sum up what is most pleasing to God; faith in the divine personality of Jesus Christ and brotherly love according to Christ's instructions.

Gospel: John 15: 1-8
 In this allegory the cultivation of the vine is attributed to God the Father. A fruitless branch is lopped off like Judas. The pruning clean of the Apostles is the result of the words Jesus spoke to them. A separated vine branch is useless. It is destined for the fire. Fruitfulness and discipleship go together.

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

DEFIBRILLATOR NOW AVAILABLE IN BOTH CHURCHES
 Trained Personnel, please identify yourself to Parish Office / Sacristan
 Also required Personnel willing to be trained...
 Certified training will be organised and provided in the Parish.
 Please give name if interested to Parish Office / Sacristan.
 PARISH OFFICE 021 4871206

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!.

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. .

Public Rosary.

A public rosary will be recited in the Square, Ballincollig on Saturday, 12th May at 4pm in honour of Our Lady of Fatima, seeking Her intercession for the protection of life.
 Please join us..

Protect the 8th Conference.

Protect the 8th Conference at the Silver Springs Hotel, Cork on Monday April 30th at 7:30pm. Speakers: Declan Ganley, Patricia Casey, John Waters, Becky Kealy and Vicky Wall of Every Life Counts. All welcome!.
 Contact: Róisín Bradley – Email: roisin@familyandlife.org.

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.

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

First Friday.

Friday May 4th 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.

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 the boys and girls in the Gaelscoil who received 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 boys and girls in Scoil Barra and Our Lady of Good Counsel who will receive the sacrament of Holy Communion on Saturday 12th May. Sincere thanks to the parents and dedicated teachers who work diligently preparing young people for the sacrament.

Diocesan Collection.

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

Fr. George

MINISTERS OF THE WORD

May-05 & May-06-2018

St. Mary & St. John

Christ Our Light

6:00 pm (Vigil)

Chloe O'Neill
Ailish O'Reilly

8:30 am

Tom McDonagh
Sean Casey

10:00 am

Margot Twomey
Kaylyn Lordan

12:00 Noon

Tony Lynch
Shane Tully

7:30 pm (Vigil)

Pauline Collins
Dylan Ebili

11:00 am

Michael Buckley/ Jamie O'Sullivan
van

Cillian O'Cathasaigh

12:30 pm

James Nyagaya
Laura O'Leary

5:30 pm

Marlyn O'Connor

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

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Fr. Cian O'Sullivan C.C. 021-4876171

Funeral Pastoral Team Rota

30-Apr-2018 to 06-May-2018

Tim Murphy

Siobhan Glavin

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

May-05 & May-06-2018

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

**Ballincollig
Darkness Into Light 2018**



Please join us in the Castlewest Shopping Centre where we will be onsite to help you register online and to answer any questions you may have.
(Please ensure you bring your debit / credit card to complete registration)

14 th April	Saturday	2 pm – 4.30 pm	Castlewest Shopping Centre
21 st April	Saturday	2 pm – 4.30 pm	Castlewest Shopping Centre
28 th April	Saturday	2 pm – 4.30 pm	Castlewest Shopping Centre
5 th May	Saturday	2 pm – 5 pm	Castlewest Shopping Centre
6 th May	Sunday	2 pm – 5 pm	Castlewest Shopping Centre

There will be no t-shirt collection this year as t-shirts will be posted directly to your address once you have registered online.

Wake up and walk with us on
Saturday 12th May, Coláiste Choilm @ 4.15 a.m.

Register online at: dil.pieta.ie/Ballincollig and follow us on Facebook at Darkness Into Light Ballincollig