

THE BALLINCOLLIG PARISHIONER



St. Mary & St. John
Station Road

Sunday 13-January-2019

The Baptism of The Lord

At his baptism Jesus was revealed as the Son of God and began his work of bringing the vision of God, his justice and his liberation to people. At our baptism each of us is given a share in this mission, so we become children of God.



Christ Our Light
Innishmore

A Word of Thanks!

I would like to take this opportunity to express my appreciation and gratitude to each of you for your generosity and support during the year. Your contribution to the support of the priests of the parish has been outstanding. Thank you very much. Your generosity continues each week in your contributions to the offertory collection. The offertory collection is entirely for the running costs of the parish (including: lighting, heating, insurance, maintenance wages to sacristans and parish secretary). Special thanks to the ministers of the Word, Eucharist, Choirs, and Musical directors at the various Masses and Altar Servers. Thank you to the funeral ministry teams for your support at such difficult times for families. The altar societies in both churches and cleaners do Trojan work week after week. Sincere thanks to the sacristans, Geraldine, Clara and Mary; also to Miriam the parish secretary. Thank you also to Sr. Nan O'Mahony for her help with people who are grieving. Special thanks also to Fr. Gerry Daly for his help and good humour. We wish to thank all those involved in child safeguarding also, especially Maura, Carmel & Joan. The faith community of Ballincollig is also blessed that many committed and gifted people give of their time and talents to the work of the parish council. To the many members of the sub groups of the parish council – a sincere thank you.

Fr. George O'Mahony

Reflection for Parents

Most parents know what it means to be pleased with our children. Even when they do things that annoy, challenge, or disappoint us, we love our children. Although we experience some notion of unconditional love with our own children, it is difficult for us to grasp the magnitude of God's love for us, even when we annoy, challenge, or disappoint Him. Through our baptism, we are members of God's family and will know the unconditional love of a parent.

PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL

Priest

Our Lord prayed after his baptism. As baptised members of Christ, we now pray with full confidence.

Reader

That the Church's sacramental life may be mirrored in the life of charity.

Lord, Hear us,

Lord, graciously hear us.

That our civil leaders may have the wisdom to see the contribution faith can make to our communities.

Lord, Hear us,

Lord, graciously hear us.

For parents who bring infants for baptism; may they bring their children up to know and love the Lord.

Lord, Hear us,

Lord, graciously hear us.

For those who have fallen away from the practice of the faith, that they may rediscover the treasure they were given in baptism.

Lord, Hear us,

Lord, graciously hear us.

May those who have died enter the light of Christ and rejoice forever in his presence.

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

We thank you, Lord, for the gift of our faith. May we always be true to the commitments of our baptism. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Lord Will Bless His People With Peace.

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† IN SYMPATHY †

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

Róisín O'Donovan, Ivy Circle.
 Billy Casey, Macroom.
 Denis Crowley, Limeworth/Kenmare.
 Sr. Elizabeth Lynch, Ovens/Rosary Priory, England.
 Lisa Dineen (nee Cronin), Frankfield/Glincool.
 Daniel (Don) McGovern, Rosewood.

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

Tim Dineen, Ovens.
 May Keohane, Inniscarra.
 Alison Murphy, Wyndham Downs
 Dermot & Nell Cronin, Connolly Park.
 Pat Sheehan Coachford.
 Kitty O'Brien, Friars Walk.
 Dec. members of O'Keeffe, Boyce and Ahern Families.
 Patrick & Margaret Kenneally, Curraheen.
 Joan Summers, Park Road.
 Frank Collins, Ballingulley.
 Dec. Members of the Wilson Family, Carlow.
 Ned Delaney & Eily Hamberger, Model Farm Road.
 John, Ann & Eileen Hogan, Tipperary.
 Jack O'Connell, Main Street.
 Sheila Walsh, Castlepark.
 Maureen, Tadgh & John O'Regan, Poulavone.
 Sheila O'Mahony, Coachford/Ballyvolane.
 Michael O'Mahony, Whitethorn Ave./Inniscarra View.
 Denis Murphy, Sexton Park.
 Rene Lucey, Station Road.
 John & Peggy Duggan, Coachford.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

First Week In Ordinary Time

13 Sunday Is. 42:1-4, 6-7. Ps. 28. Acts. 10:34-38. Mt. 3:13-17. Lect I: 179 or 639
 14 Monday Heb. 1:1-6. Ps. 96. Mk. 1:14-20. Lect II: 3
 15 Tuesday Heb. 2:5-12. Ps. 8. Mk. 1:21-28. Lect II: 5
 16 Wednesday Heb. 2: 14-18. Ps. 104. Mk. 1:29-39. Lect II: 7
 17 Thursday Heb. 3:7-14. Ps. 94. Mk. 1:40-45. Lect II: 9
 18 Friday Heb. 4:1-5/ 11. Ps. 77. Mk. 2:1-12. Lect II: 11
 19 Saturday Heb. 4:12-16. Ps. 18. Mk. 2:13-17. Lect II:13

Next Sunday's Readings 20-January-2019

Is 62: 1-5. Ps. 95. 1 Cor 12:4-11. Jn 2:1-11. Lect I: 838

BAPTISMS

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

Lilly Kay Cotter O'Donovan, Aisling Close.
 James Noah Hogan, Waterfall.
 Cian Alexander Canning, London.
 Fionn Tom Kelly-Murphy, Canada.
 Sophie Muriel Christina Longstaff, Liverpool.
 Ailbhe Sarah O'Keeffe, Australia.
 Saoirse Siún Manning, Rosewood.
 Darragh Alan Owen, Australia.
 Rian Fergus Siddins, Australia.
 Joshua Robert Deane, Highfield Park.
 Saoirse Chandra Ellanti, Poulavone.
 Darragh Patrick O'Keeffe, Wyndham Downs.
 Conor Paul Armstong, Greenfields

Kindness is a language which the deaf can hear and the blind can read

Mark Twain

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.

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THE SUNDAY READINGS

First Reading: Isaiah 42:1-4, 6-7
 "Here is my servant whom I uphold. I, the Lord, have called you for the victory of justice," said Isaiah. "To open the eyes of the blind, to bring out prisoners," and to make you a light for the nations.

Second Reading: Acts 10: 34-38
 God does not play favourites. All who fear the Lord are justified. God anointed Jesus with the Holy Spirit and the power to do good works and heal all in need.

Gospel: Matthew 3:13-17
 Jesus came to the Jordan River to be baptised by John. At first John objected and said that it was he, John, who should be baptised by Jesus. Jesus indicated a future baptism when he responded to John saying that it was fitting for John to baptise Jesus. John acquiesced and at the conclusion of the baptism, the Spirit came down from heaven in the form of a dove and clearly announced Jesus as his son. God was pleased with His son.

Protocol For Children's / Family Mass

Objective: to enhance the experience of the Mass for children.

- Leader arrives approx 15 minutes-before Mass time
- Collect work sheets and pencils from sacristy
- At start of Mass, at least two helpers at altar -one to lead children to room, one to walk at the end of the line
- Priest invites the children up to altar
- Priest blesses the children and sends them with the helpers to room
- Children are seated and worksheets and/or pencils are distributed
- Leader checks number of adults present with respect to number of children. There MUST be one adult per 10 children in the room. (See note 1)
- There must be at least two adults, even if number of children is less than 10
- At no time should any adult helper be left alone with child/children (see note 2)
- If there are very young children present, without an adult chaperone, they should be brought back out to the parents, who can be invited in. We are focusing on junior infants up to 2nd class age group.
- One helper is delegated to monitor the progress of Mass, so children are ready for offertory.
- Leader goes through worksheet with children
- At the end of the Prayers of the Faithful, the children should be ready at the end of the church, for the offertory procession.
- One helper with gift bearers, one at the end of the line. When the priest comes round to the front of the altar, helper starts off the procession
- Procession to altar, priest receives gifts.
- Children are ushered to sit on steps at the altar. Helpers stay in top seats, distributed around the altar to keep an eye on children and encourage their attention to the priest
- At the 'sign of peace', some children shake hands with priest and all are then ushered back to their parents.
- Helpers circulate to make sure all children find their parents, and keep any who can't find parents sitting with them at the top of the church, until the parents come for the child.
- At the end of Mass, tidy up the room, leave any spare work sheets at the church entrances for the following Mass and return pencils etc. to the sacristy.

Notes:

1. In the event of there being more than 10 children per adult, leader returns to the altar (leaving door of room open), brings to priests attention that insufficient adults are present for 1:10 ratio. Priest asks for more adults. Leader remains at altar until correct ratio reached. If insufficient volunteers, leader returns to room, and bring children back into church
2. If a child needs the toilet – he/she should be brought, back to the parent / guardian in the church.
3. Children under the age of 5 should be chaperoned by parent. If these children want to take part in the offertory and/or sit at the altar, the chaperone must go with them and be responsible for their behaviour.

Bulletin Board

Quarterly Diocesan Collection

This first collection for 2019 will be undertaken at all Masses next weekend January 19th & 20th

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.

Confirmation Dates 2019

Scoil Eoin	Tuesday, 12th March
Scoil Barra	Friday, 15th March
Our Lady of Good Counsel	Friday, 15th March
Gaelscoil Uí Ríordáin	Monday, 25th March
Scoil Mhuire	Friday, 5th April

First Holy Communion Dates 2019

Scoil Barra	11th May
Our Lady of Good Counsel	11th May
Gaelscoil Uí Ríordáin	18th May
Scoil Eoin	25th May
Scoil Mhuire	8th June

Family Mass

The next Children's Mass for children in second class preparing for their first Holy Communion will take place on Sunday 20th January 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.

Offertory Collection Boxes

The boxes of envelopes for the Offertory Collection are available in both churches. Families are asked to take one box. Please use the envelopes for the Offertory Collection for the Vigil and Sunday Masses during the year. The Offertory Collection is solely for the upkeep, maintenance, insurance, lighting, heating and related expenses of both churches.

Parishioners who gave their name and offertory box number for Tax Rebate to the Church will have their boxes delivered to them. Thanks for your generosity and we look forward to your support for the coming year.

Fr. George

Muskerry Local History Society

Explosions in Ballincollig Gunpowder Mills
 Frank Donaldson will give an illustrated talk on Explosions in Ballincollig Royal Gunpowder Mills at 8.00pm on Monday, 14 January in Ballincollig Rugby Club.
 Contact: Dermot Lucey 0879331135.

Thought for Today

"I encourage you to bear witness to Christ in your personal life and families: a witness of gratuitousness, solidarity, spirit of service."
 Pope Francis

MINISTERS OF THE WORD

Jan-19 & Jan-20-2019

St. Mary & St. John

Christ Our Light

6:00 pm (Vigil)

Sean Collins
Patricia O'Riordan
8:30 am
Pat Fennell
Kate Healy
10:00 am
Ashling O'Shea

12:00 Noon
Emer Wiseman

7:30 pm (Vigil)

Nonyi Ebili
Yago Greaux
11:00 am
Ciara Healy
Luke Telford
12:30 pm
Joseph Manning

5:30 pm
Tom Reck

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

14-Jan-2019 to 20-Jan-2019

Michael O'Leary
Kay O'Sullivan

Winter Time Crime Prevention

Crime prevention for your home

- ◆ Break-ins at wintertime occur mostly in hours of darkness - lock up and light up.
- ◆ Replace any broken or loose window handles.
- ◆ Have an alarm in place, use it when away from your home.

Crime prevention for vehicles.

- ◆ Lock vehicles at all times especially at hours of darkness and overnight. Most thefts of property from vehicles take place when vehicles are left unlocked.
- ◆ Park vehicles in well-lit areas.
- ◆ Never leave property in vehicle, remove property before making your journey.

Anthony Mc Sweeney Community Garda,
Ballincollig Garda Station

*The Bible should fill the memory, rule the heart, and guide the feet.
The Bible is meant not to inform, but to transform. Men do not reject
the Bible because it contradicts itself but because it contradicts them.*



MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST

Jan-19 & Jan-20-2019

St. Mary & St. John

Christ Our Light

6.00 pm Bernadette Bell
Betty Casey
Frank Riordan
Siobhan Riordan
Pauline Quane
Aisling Leahy

8:30 am Mary Buckley
Mary B. Murphy

10:00 am Betty Flavin
Anne Spillane
Anne O'Connell
Con O'Connell

12 Noon Seamus O'Donovan
Eleanor Knowles
Catherine Greene
Joan Barrett
Frances Hogan
Mary O'Leary

7:30 pm Sheila O'Connor
Brid Healy-Harris
Kit Cahill
Mary Murphy

11:00 am Angela Cunningham
Laurence Cunningham
Eileen Byrne
Bernadett Spillane
David Mahony

12:30 pm Eileen Garvey
Breda Callanan
Betty Walsh
Theresa O'Driscoll

5:30 pm Olan O'Mahony

Irish Blood Transfusion Service

The Irish Blood Transfusion Service will hold Blood Donor clinics 5pm – 8.30pm each day on Monday 4th & Tuesday 5th February in Ballincollig GAA Pavilion
Wednesday 6th & Thursday 7th February in OVENS Eire Og GAA Hall

*Make all the friends you can.
Keep all the friends you make.
And when you meet a stranger,
give his hand a hearty shake.
For all the countless treasures
which in time may come your way,
there'll be nothing quite as precious
as the friends you make today.*

Ernest Sidwell