

THE BALLINCOLLIG PARISHIONER



St. Mary & St. John
Station Road

Sunday 27-January-2019

Third Sunday In Ordinary Time

We come together on Sunday to listen to the scriptures and to have them explained. Here it is God who speaks to us through his Son. His Spirit continues to work on us to inspire us with his message of freedom and encouragement for all in need.



Christ Our Light
Innishmore

Friend of God

The opening lines of the Gospel by St Luke sets out the sources and purpose of this Gospel, Luke writes for Theophilus, whose name in Greek suggests lover of God. Theophilus may have been a patron of Luke's, we also take it that Luke writes for all lovers of God; i.e. all of us.

They handed him the scroll from the prophet Isaiah at Nazara in the Temple, His neighbours and relations welcomed Jesus as not only a prophet but the Messiah, He read "The Spirit of the Lord is given to me, to bring good news, to set captives free and proclaim the Lord's year of favour." Help me Lord to welcome your Spirit and be guided by the Spirit. "To set captives free" when and where and how am I captive?

This passage is the manifesto of Jesus. This passage is as relevant in our world today as it was at the time of Christ. Individuals, families and communities await liberation from oppression. This passage is not read in past, it is for our time and very much alive as a vision for all Christians to have. Just as the scriptures are fulfilled in Jesus so they are fulfilled in our lives.

Though they heard you Lord they failed to listen. Help me to listen Lord.

Fr. George O'Mahony

Reflection for Parents

Our children are really all the things listed in what Jesus read from Isaiah. They are poor because they really depend on us for their every material need. They are not free because they are too young and inexperienced to live on their own. While they're not completely blind, much of what they do see has been shaped by our own vision. When we think of all we do for our children, it becomes clearer all that Jesus is for us. As we gather around the table of the Lord to celebrate Eucharist together, we celebrate that we together are Christ's body, each forming a different part, rejoicing in our diversity.

PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL

Priest

We turn to God for strength in our weaknesses, for light in our darkness and for hope in our struggles.

Reader

For the Church; that she may be purified of anything that would prevent her from being a credible witness to Christ and his Gospel.

Lord, Hear us,

Lord, graciously hear us.

For those who have suffered as a result of sinfulness, indifference or harshness within the Church, that they may find healing.

Lord, Hear us,

Lord, graciously hear us.

As we begin Catholic Schools Week, we pray for our parish schools; that they may be places where our Catholic faith is loved, learned and lived.

Lord, Hear us,

Lord, graciously hear us.

For our Bishops; that they may discern the best way to offer a Catholic education to children growing up in a secularized world.

Lord, Hear us,

Lord, graciously hear us.

For the dead; that their sins may be forgiven and that they may enter into eternal life.

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

May the gift of gratitude increase in us, Lord, as we make these and the unspoken prayers of our hearts. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Your words are spirit, Lord, and they are life.

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† IN SYMPATHY †

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

Kathleen Kiely, Glincool.
Margaret Horgan, Carriganarra Estate.
Fr. Jerry McCarthy, Sacred Heart.

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

Paul Murphy, Coolroe Meadows.
Michael Canty, Daffodil Fields.
John Cotter, Wyndham Downs.
Mary Coranan.
Mary/May O'Reilly, Birchley, Model Farm Road.
Dec. Mem. of the Cunningham Family, Waterford.
Trevor Philips, England.
Jack & Teresa Goulding, Ballyshoneen.
Noel Hourihan, Rosewood.
Christy Lucey, Beech Park.
Denis Cremin, Bishopstown.
James, Catherine & Eddie O'Dwyer, Limerick.
Kitty Whooley, Skibbereen.
Dec. Mem's of the Reilly & Hanney Families.
Martin & Eily Murphy, Hodders Villas.
Thomas & Elly Scully, Castlemartyr.
Seán Coakley, Muskerry Estate.
Catherine O'Donnell, Drimoleague.
Donal O'Leary, Curraheen.
Daniel Cronin, Rathmore.
Tom, Margaret & Judy Enright, Banteer.
Mary Sheahan, Camden Road, Crosshaven.
Ann Hilliard, Douglas.
James & Margaret O'Mahony, Skibbereen
Michael O'Mahony, Castlepark.
Michael Carroll, Coolroe Heights.

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READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Third Week In Ordinary Time

27 Sunday Neh. 8:2-6, 8-10. Ps. 18. 1 Cor. 12: 12-30. Lk. 1: 1-4, 4:14-21. Lect I: 841
28 Monday Heb 9:15, 24-28. Ps 97. Mk 3:22-30. Lect II: 27
29 Tuesday Heb 10:1-10. Ps 39. Mk 3:3135. Lect II: 29
30 Wednesday Heb 10:11-18. Ps 109. Mk 4:1-20. Lect II: 31
31 Thursday Heb. 10:19-25. Ps. 23. Mk. 4:21-25. Lect I: 34
01 Friday Job 31:16-20, 24-25, 31-32 or Eph 3:14-21. Ps 106. Lk 6:32-38. National Proper
02 Saturday Mal. 3: 1-4 or Heb. 2: 14-18. Ps. 23. Lk. 2:22-40. Lect I: 967 or II: 940

Next Sunday's Readings 03-February-2019

Jer 1:4-5, 17-19. Ps 70. 1 Cor 12:31-13:13. Lk 4:21-30. Lect I: 845

BAPTISMS

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

Kalina Renata Bowler, The Quadrants.
Noah Eóin O'Mahony, Classes Lake
Robin Brendan McCartan, Daffodil Fields
Ciara Anne O'Connell, Ballingulley.

Pilgrimage to Fatima

On 28th Sept to 4th Oct.
6 nights. Flights from Cork.
€609 if booked before Feb 1st (€50 discount).
Price includes trips to Eucharistic Miracle of Santarem
St Anthony's birth place in Lisbon
and Blessed Alexandrina Da Costa in Balasar.
Spiritual Director Fr Marius O'Reilly.
Limited places! Contact Damien on 087 204 9048

THE SUNDAY READINGS

First Reading: Nehemiah 8:2-4,5-6,8-10
We become witnesses to a Sabbath service at which Ezra preaches on the law and reminds the congregation to rejoice and celebrate the Lord's Day.
Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 12:12-30
Paul tells the people of Corinth that Jesus came to unite the entire world into one family of faith. He wants them to understand the special part given to each in the Body of Christ.
Gospel: Luke 1:1-4. 4:14-21.
The first part of today's Gospel introduces Luke's Gospel and Acts. Luke recalled for his readers that stories had been handed down by eyewitnesses and written down by others. He intended, however, to improve on the order of these earlier accounts. The lectionary moves us to another beginning and that is the beginning of Jesus' ministry. He had travelled throughout Galilee teaching in the synagogue. This day, he was in his home town of Nazareth where he unrolled a scroll and proclaimed the words of Isaiah. The Spirit of the Lord will come upon one who will free captives, favour the poor, and give sight to the blind. After Jesus rolled up the scroll, he told his listeners that those words had been fulfilled in him.

World day of Prayer for the Sick

Monday February 11th is the feast of Our Lady of Lourdes and is World day of Prayer for the sick. To mark this day a prayer service with Liturgy of the Word and blessing of the sick will take place at 12noon in the Church of St. Mary & St. John. Sick and infirm are welcome, family, neighbours and friends might help people to get to the church.

Feast of St Blaise

Sunday 3rd February is the feast of St Blaise. Throats will be blessed after 10.00am mass in the church of St Mary & St John.

Follow The Footsteps of Jesus From Galilee To Jerusalem 2019

Take the TRIP of a LIFETIME to the HOLY LAND, May 28th- June 7th 2019.

Group Leader, Mícheál de Barra and Spiritual Director, Fr. John Newman (Bible Scholar) In association with Premier Travel, Cork

Contact Mícheál at 0868337681/
emailculturaltoursireland@gmail.com

What former pilgrims have said about this tour:

'Masada was awe inspiring but I was moved by Calvary in a way I could not imagine or describe' (Mike)

'Keep it up, the happiness you brought to your pilgrims will never be forgotten,' (Alice)

'We will now read and hear the gospels in a very different light since our pilgrimage', (Lucille)

Anam Cara Cork Meeting

Anam Cara Cork the organisation that supports bereaved parents, is holding a Bereavement Information Evening on Wednesday 6th February at 7:20pm in the Clayton Hotel, Silver Springs, Tivoli, Cork. This is a free event and open to all bereaved parents. As Anam Cara will need to confirm numbers for teas, coffees, etc, please RSVP to info@anamcara.ie before Tuesday 5th February or call the Information number on 085 2888 888.

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

Music Morning

Music Morning in the Ballincollig Library on next Tuesday morning, 29th January at 11.00am will be presented by John Henderick. Everyone is welcome and a cuppa will be served.

Prayer is not a burden, but a gift; it is not a constraint, but a freedom; it is not a millstone round our neck, but a source of joy.
Pope John Paul II

Bulletin Board

Diocesan Envelope Collection

The quarterly collection in aid of the Diocesan Funds which was taken up last weekend 19th/20th January at all masses amounted to €3,236.00. We appreciate your generosity.

First Friday

Friday 1st February 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.

Family Mass

The next Children's Mass for children in second class preparing for their first Holy Communion will take place on Sunday 3rd February 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.

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

Fr. George

MINISTERS OF THE WORD

Feb-02 & Feb-03-2019

St. Mary & St. John

Christ Our Light

6:00 pm (Vigil)

Niamh O'Riordan
Ciara O'Sullivan

8:30 am

Triona downey / Miriam Healy
Riain Brennan

10:00 am

Margot Twomey
Kaylyn Lordan

12:00 Noon

Sean Hennessy
Shane Lehane

7:30 pm (Vigil)

Fiona Feely
Thalia Greaux

11:00 am

Joseph Buckley
Rory Doherty

12:30 pm

Bernard Valley / Colm Walsh
Ponny Sebastian

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

Priest on Duty

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021-4871206

Fr. Cian O'Sullivan C.C.

021-4876171

Funeral Pastoral Team Rota

28-Jan-2019 to 03-Feb-2019

Laurence Cunningham

Virginia Harrington

**A Winter Road Safety Message
Primary Road Safety Winter Hazards**

- Reduced visibility
- Glare of sun due being lower in the skyline
- Shorter days/ lower levels of daylight,
- Fallen leaves, rain and ice creating wet and slippery surfaces.

Pedestrians & Cyclists

- Be Seen - Light Up
- Wear Bright Reflective Clothing
- Stay on designated cycle and pedestrian pathways where possible
- Take extra care crossing at road junctions

Driver Safety

- Allow more Time for your Trip
- Reduce Speed / Slow Down
- Check and Switch on Lights (even during day time)
- Check Your Tyre Grip & Air Pressure
- Carry De-Icing Materials

Prayer in time of Bereavement

Lord, you are close to the broken-hearted. Be with me now
in my grief and loneliness.

Give me the courage to face my loss and not to grieve in
silence. Be with me as I struggle

With many different and painful feelings.

Ease the hurt in my heart. Encircle me in your love.
Help me to believe that one day

I will no longer have this deep sorrow. May I find comfort
in sharing my grief

With those who understand the strong bonds of love.

Stay with me, Lord, support me.

Help me to know that your power is at work within me

As I deal with my grief. Amen.



MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST

Feb-02 & Feb-03-2019

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

Anne O'Regan
Mairead Murphy
Finbarr Murray
Lettie Kelly

8:30 am

Helen Kelly
Michael Crowley
Eileen Corkery

11:00 am

Seamus O'Connell
Mary O'Connell
Alan O'Riordan
Geraldine Keohane
Gerard Murray / Ciaran
Kellehr

10:00 am

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

12:30 pm

Lucy O'Callaghan
Jackie Sheehan
Michael O'Leary
J.P.O'Leary
Ewelina Kudzynska

12 Noon

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

5:30 pm

Margaret Kelly
Noelle Buckley
Mary Breen
Valerie Barry