

THE BALLINCOLLIG PARISHIONER



St. Mary & St. John
Station Road

Sunday 07-April-2019

Fifth Sunday of Lent

Men and women are judged every day - often too quickly condemned by whispering calumny and over-righteous indignations. Today's gospel is a reminder that judgement belongs to God and not to human persons. We cannot expiate our own guilt by pointing the finger at others.



Christ Our Light
Innishmore

Blessing of a Child On-Line

Angels of God,
Swift messengers of heaven,
Guide my flight through
cyberspace.
May this screen before me light up
my mind,
and bless my journey.



The Redemptorist Fathers

PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL

Priest

Let us turn to the Lord with confidence in his power, as we pray.

Reader

That the Church may proclaim the Gospel, in all its fullness.

Lord, Hear us,

Lord, graciously hear us.

That the Lord may continue to lead his people from captivity to freedom.

Lord, Hear us,

Lord, graciously hear us.

That our Lenten efforts may bear fruit in our own lives and in the lives of others.

Lord, Hear us,

Lord, graciously hear us.

For those preparing for baptism at Easter, and for those who are accompanying them. May this be a time of grace for each of them.

Lord, Hear us,

Lord, graciously hear us.

That the Lord's mercy may enfold all the faithful departed, and that those who are in mourning may take comfort in the hope that their loved ones are at peace.

Lord, Hear us,

Lord, graciously hear us.

We pray for the needs of all here present.

Lord, Hear us,

Lord, graciously hear us.

Priest

We praise and thank you, God our merciful Father, as we confidently make our prayers. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Today's Gospel

John 8:1-11

Jesus went to the Mount of Olives. At daybreak he appeared in the Temple again; and as all the people came to him, he sat down and began to teach them.

The scribes and Pharisees brought a woman along who had been caught committing adultery; and making her stand there in full view of everybody, they said to Jesus, 'Master, this woman was caught in the very act of committing adultery, and Moses has ordered us in the Law to condemn women like this to death by stoning. What have you to say?' They asked him this as a test, looking for something to use against him. But Jesus bent down and started writing on the ground with his finger. As they persisted with their question, he looked up and said, 'If there is one of you who has not sinned, let him be the first to throw a stone at her.' Then he bent down and wrote on the ground again. When they heard this they went away one by one, beginning with the eldest, until Jesus was left alone with the woman, who remained standing there. He looked up and said, 'Woman, where are they? Has no one condemned you?' 'No one, sir' she replied. 'Neither do I condemn you,' said Jesus 'go away, and do not sin any more.'

What marvels the Lord worked for us! Indeed we were glad.

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† IN SYMPATHY †

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

John Wall, Toames, Macroom.
 Seanie Sexton, Blarney.
 Don McGovern, Rosewood.

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

Tadgh Kearney, Westcourt Heights.
 Con & Eileen Bradley, Leemount.
 Mary Kelly, Kilmichael.
 John & Annie Kavanagh, Wicklow.
 Paddy Kirstein, Inniscarra View.
 Michael & Mary Daly, Farranfore.
 Christy O'Donovan, Castlevew House.
 Danny McCarthy, The Crescent.
 Catherine McSweeney, Cathedral Road.
 Jerry Moynihan, Inniscarra View.
 Seamus & Mary O'Shea, Park Road.
 Patricia O'Donovan, Raheen.
 Dec. Mem's of the O'Donovan Family, Raheen.
 Dec. Mem's of the Ring Family, Blarney Road.
 Dec. Mem's of the O'Shea Family, Kenmare.
 Dec. Mem's of the Murray Family, Model Farm Road.
 Kitty Murphy, Powdermills/Bishopstown.
 Tom O'Donoghue, Inniscarra View.
 Morgan O'Donovan, Classis Lake.
 Helen Coughlan, Clash.
 Donnacha Gleeson, Ovens/London.
 Margaret O'Connor, Carrigrohane.
 Rita Kinsella, Carrigrohane.
 Mai Murphy, Carrigrohane.
 John O'Mahony, Carriganarra.

Save the Date

Ballincollig Darkness into Light 2019
 Saturday 11th May , 4.15 a.m.
 Registration is now open on dil.pieta.ie

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

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Fifth Week Of Lent

07 Sunday Is. 43:16-21. Ps 125. Phil. 3:8-14. Jn. 8:1-11. Lect I: 313
 08 Monday Dan. 13:1-9, 15-17, 19-30, 33-62. Ps. 22. In. 8:12- 20. Lect I: 319
 09 Tuesday Num. 21:4-9. Ps. 101. In. 8:21-30. Lect I: 326
 10 Wednesday Dan. 3:14-20,24-25,28. Ps. Dan. 3. In. 8:31-42. Lect I: 328
 11 Thursday Gen. 17:3-9. Ps. 104. In. 8:51-59. Lect 1:331
 12 Friday Jer. 20:10-13. Ps. 17. In. 10:31-42. Lect I: 333
 13 Saturday Ez. 37:21-28. Ps. Jer. 31:10-13. In. 11:45-56. Lect I: 336

Next Sunday's Readings 14-April-2019

Is. 50:4-7. Ps 22. Phil. 2:6- 11. Mt. 26:14-27,66. Lect I: 346

BAPTISMS

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

Carianne Christina O'Sullivan-Both, Old Fort Road
 Kyle Liam Murphy, Castlepark,
 Clare Quinn Durbán, Fionn Laoi.

THE SUNDAY READINGS

First Reading: Isaiah 43:16-21
 Let the past be put aside. By destroying the enemy, God saved us; he set us free. This is why we pay attention to the present: God is doing something new!

Second Reading: Philippians 3:8-14
 Because of faith, we look to the future. We look to Jesus Christ. We look to the Resurrection. Everything else is less important.

Gospel: John 8:1-11.
 Although most scholars believe that this story of the woman caught in adultery was not part of John's original writings, it is nevertheless an excellent example of Jesus' style. First of all, some of the religious leaders tried to trick Jesus into going against the Law of Moses by not having the woman stoned or going against the Roman law that did not allow the Jewish people to impose the death sentence. Again, Jesus seemed trapped, but drew in the sand with his finger until he presented his answer. In an effort to demonstrate the forgiveness God had for his people, Jesus challenged the Pharisees to throw a stone if they were without sin. Of course, none could throw a stone and slowly the crowd drifted away. When only the woman remained, Jesus showed mercy toward her and told her to resist further sin.

Information Session

Is God calling you to be a priest in our diocese? Come to our information session on Sunday 12th May from 3:00pm to 6:00pm at the Pastoral Development Office, Parochial House, Ballyphehane. Contact Fr Charlie Kiely 021-4537474.

**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)

Pilgrimage to Knock

Legion of Mary annual Pilgrimage to Knock will take place on
Sunday, 26th May 2019. Bus leaving from outside Garda Sta-
tion at 7.30am sharp.

For more details contact: Sally 021-4870954
or Cathleen 021-4874730.

A Prayer to Christ the Healer

In the comfort of your love
I pour out to you my saviour,
The memories that haunt me,
The anxieties that perplex me,
The fears that stifle me,
The sickness that prevails upon me,
And the frustration of all the pain that weaves about within me.
Lord help me to see your peace in my turmoil,
Your compassion in my sorrow,
Your forgiveness in my weakness,
And your love in my need.
Touch me, O Lord, with your healing power
and strength. Amen.

Help the Homeless

Cork Simon's Coffee Morning is back, and we need your
help. Organise a coffee morning during March in your
workplace, school or home and help fight homelessness in
Cork. Don't like coffee – no worries organise an Afternoon
Tea instead. We have everything you need to help you or-
ganise your gathering. Please contact Margaret 021
4929415 to receive your pack.

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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 Family Mass for parents with children in second
class preparing for their first Holy Communion will take place
on Sunday 7th April 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.

Confirmation

Congratulations to the girls of Scoil Mhuire who received the
sacrament of Confirmation on Friday, 5th April. Sincere
thanks to the parents and dedicated teachers who work
diligently preparing young people for the sacrament.

Spring Dues

The priests of the Parish would like to thank you for
returning the Spring Dues Envelopes. Your continued
support is much appreciated.

Trocaire Boxes

Trocaire boxes are available at the back of both churches.
Parishioners are asked to please take one and to make a
weekly contribution during Lent. Boxes will also be
distributed to the schools.

Diocesan Envelope Collection

The quarterly envelope collection in aid of the Diocesan
Funds will be taken up this weekend 7th & 8th April at all
masses.

Chrism Mass

The Chrism Mass will take place in the Cathedral on Holy Thursday
18th April at 10.00am. The oils for the Celebration of the
Sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation and the Anointing of the Sick
are blessed during this mass. All are invited and are welcome to
take part.

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

Flight of the Bremen

Muskerry Local History Society are organising an interesting lecture
on the Flight of the Bremen, the first plane to cross the Atlantic
from east to west. Included in the 3-man crew was Irishman, Cap-
tain James Fitzmaurice. The exciting story of the Three Musketeers
of the Air, as they called themselves, will be presented by Liam
O'Brien at 8.00 pm on Monday, 8 April, in Ballincollig Rugby Club.

MINISTERS OF THE WORD

Apr-13 & Apr-14-2019

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
Margot Twomey
Kaylyn Lordan
12:00 Noon
Sean Hennessy
Shane Lehane

7:30 pm (Vigil)
Nonyi Ebili
Yago Greaux
11:00 am
Joseph Buckley
Rory Doherty
12:30 pm
Joseph Manning
Michelle McCarthy
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 & 6:30 pm
9:30 am	Tuesday	8:30 am & 6:30 pm
9:30 am	Wednesday	8:30 am & 6:30 pm
9:30 am	Thursday	8:30 am & 6:30 pm
9:30 am	Friday	8:30 am & 6:30 pm
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

08-Apr-2019 to 14-Apr-2019
Michael O’Leary
Kay O’Sullivan

Passover Meal

16th April Tuesday of Holy Week

The Ballincollig Parish Pastoral Council are holding a “Passover Meal” at 7pm in the Community Hall, Station Road, Ballincollig on Tuesday 16th April. The Passover meal is the meal Christ had with his disciples before he gave us the Eucharist. The Passover celebrates God’s presence with the chosen people on their journey to freedom from slavery: the destroying angels pass by the homes of the chosen ones. All are welcome. Please book at Parish Office on 021-4871206 or the sacristy.

Reflection for Parents

Of course we will never fully know what Jesus drew in the sand. Whether his drawing was with purpose or not has been lost to history and most likely would not change the story. As parents, an important lesson we can gain from his action is that he took the time to gather his thoughts before speaking. How often do we say the first thing that comes to mind and end up regretting it? Thinking first helps us present a Christ-like presence to our children even if we are dealing with serious misbehaviour. In today’s Gospel we are given an insight into the completeness of God’s forgiveness. We pray today in thanksgiving for that forgiveness and for the grace not to judge others



MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST

Apr-13 & Apr-14-2019

St. Mary & St. John

Christ Our Light

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

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

8:30 am Mary Buckley
Mary B. Murphy

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

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

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

5:30 pm Olan O’Mahony

Irish Heart Foundation

FREE CPR Training: The Irish Heart Foundation is on a mission to save lives through our Hands for Life programme. We are offering Free One Hour CPR training courses in Ballincollig GAA Club, Powder Mills Tuesday 30th April at 10.00, 11.30 & 1.00. To secure your place on these courses please visit our website at www.irishheart.ie/handsforlife or ring 01 6685001. Places are limited.

Lourdes 2019 - Young Adult Helpers

The Diocese of Cork and Ross invites young adults 18-25 to join the pilgrimage to Lourdes as helpers from 10th to 15th June. As helpers you will assist with the sick and be involved in the full pilgrimage programme – time for prayer, sharing in the story of Lourdes and making new friends. Limited number of places – for further Details contact Fr Charlie Kiely on 021 4537474