

THE BALLINCOLLIG PARISHIONER



St. Mary & St. John
Station Road

Sunday 06-October-2019

Twenty Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

Day for Life

Our faith is so often put to the test not just by intellectual doubts but by the difficulties of life. The paradox is that it is only faith that will bring us to life through these trials. It is only faith that allows us to see beyond what we give to what we have already been given by God himself.



Christ Our Light
Innishmore

Bishop Fintan Gavin

Bishop Fintan Gavin was ordained Bishop of Cork and Ross on Sunday June 20th at the North chapel in Cork. Bishop Fintan is very welcome as Bishop of Cork and Ross. During the past three months, Bishop Fintan has been busy getting to know the priests of the diocese, the people of God as well as the religious of the diocese.

The priests of the diocese met with Bishop Fintan on September 25th for six hours. He listened to the priests and responded to our comments and contributions. The time was well spent and Bishop Fintan was made very welcome to Cork and the beginnings of a positive and collaborative working relationship was put in place.

Bishop Fintan is prioritising meeting and getting to know the people of the diocese. He plans to make a pastoral visit to Ballincollig during the weekend of the 15th, 16th & 17th November we are looking forward to the visit of Bishop Fenton.

Fr. George O'Mahony

Second Collection for Diocesan Needs

I write in regard to the forthcoming Quarterly Collection for Diocesan Needs that will be held on October 12th and 13th next. The collection will continue to assist the Diocese as it helps to support parishes through central services and resources. These costs include Diocesan Office personnel, Parish Pastoral Development expenses, professional fees, Diocesan Education Office expenses, and levies through the Irish Bishops' Conference, utilities as well as repairs and maintenance. I understand that each Quarterly Collection usually generates in the region of €56,000 for necessary costs and expenditure.

I also realise that it is the generosity and loyalty of parishioners, which continues to ensure the success of these collections. I am also aware of the ongoing needs of this Diocese and the reliance of the Diocese on the generosity of parishioners and parishes.

The fourth Quarterly Collection for 2019 is due to be taken up on October 12th and 13th next. I would ask that you liaise with your Parish Finance Committee to renew awareness around this collection so that vital Diocesan needs continue to be funded.

I thank you and the people of your parish for your continued support.
Yours sincerely,

Fintan Gavin

Bishop of Cork and Ross

PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL

Priest

Let us turn in prayer to our God who strengthens us for the challenges of discipleship.

Reader

On this Day for Life, may God bless the Church, scattered throughout the world. In her words and her example, may she never fail to be a courageous witness to the dignity and value of human life.

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

For politicians and legislators; that they may be open to reviewing and changing unjust laws.

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

May this, our parish community, be a place where the vulnerable are safe, the sad are consoled, the weak are strengthened and the light of Christ shines for all to see.

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

We raise up to the Lord all those who have died. May they be cleansed of all sin and enter into eternal life with God and all the saints.

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

For a blessing on all who serve in medical and health-care professions, and on all who care for the sick and suffering.

**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

Father, may our faith grow ever more lively and ever more authentic, as we make our prayers. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

O that today you would listen to his voice! Harden not your hearts.

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† IN SYMPATHY †

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

Con Cagney, Beech Park.
 Cecylia Kuczynska, Poland.
 Owen O’Callaghan, Innishmore Drive.
 Anne O’Sullivan (Mansfield), Ardmore.
 Helen Cleary, Mayo.

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

Christy Buckley, Bakers Road.
 Bridget Cotter, Wyndham Downs.
 Pat Casey, Westcliffe.
 Michael Murphy, Rosewood.
 Margaret (Peg) Collar, Manor Hill.
 Audrie Wiseman, Cranford Pines.
 Oliver O’Donovan, Beech Park.
 Michael Barry-Murphy, Carriganarra.
 Rita Aherne, Clash.
 Paddy & Esther Walsh, Bishopstown.
 Sheila Walsh, Ballyvourney.
 Con Murphy, Macroom.
 Joe Guerin, Knocknagree.

Taize Prayer

Group meeting will take place on Friday 11th October at 7pm in Church of St. Mary & St. John.

Historical Event

Newcestown Historical Group wish to invite you to the UNVEILING of the Newcestown Ambush Memorial - in remembrance of the Ambush that took place in October 1920. The event will begin in the Parish Hall at 3pm on Sunday, 6th October - with historical background on the War of Independence, followed by the Unveiling. Everyone is invited back to the Hall to enjoy tea/coffee, look at displays & review names of local Volunteers and Cumann na mBan and meet the speakers.

All are Welcome

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READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Twenty Seventh Week In Ordinary Time

06 Sunday Hab. 1 :2-3, 2:2-4. Ps. 94. 2 Tim. 1: 6-8, 13-14. Lk. 17:5-10. Lect I: 917
 07 Monday Acts 1: 12-14. Ps. Lk. 1. Lk. 1: 26-28. Lect II: 1217
 08 Tuesday Jon. 3:1-10. Ps. 129. Lk. 10:38-42. Lect II:353
 09 Wednesday Jon. 4:1-11. Ps. 85. Lk. 11:1-4. Lect II:355
 10 Thursday Mal. 3: 13-20 Ps. I. Lk. 11 :5-13. Lect II:357
 11 Friday Joel 1:13-15. 2:1-2. Ps. 9. Lk. 11:15-26. Lect II:359
 12 Saturday Joel 4:12-21. Ps. 96. Lk. 11:21-28. Lect II:362

Next Sunday’s Readings 13-October-2019

2 K. 5:14-17. Ps. 97. 2 Tim. 2:8-13. Lk. 17:11-19. Lect I: 919

BAPTISMS

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

Faye Nicole Sharpe, Cathedral Road.
 Saoirse Dori O’Connell, Westcourt..
 Emma Maria Hallissey, Rosewood
 Anna Grace O’Driscoll, Glincool Grove.
 Heidi Elizabeth Kavanagh Ross, Highfield.
 Tiernan Patrick Burke, Innishmore.
 Miah Catherine Kelleher, Classes Lake.
 Nicola Lisa Donnelly, Willow Court.
 Ethan Carter Fehilly, Greenfields.
 Kyle Nathan Harte, Fionn Laoi

THE SUNDAY READINGS

First Reading: Habakkuk 1:2-3; 2:2-4
 In the first reading, Habakkuk cannot understand why God does not intervene to save his chosen people from their enemies. God himself gives the answer: they need faith.

Second Reading: 2 Timothy 1:6-8, 13-14
 In the second reading, Timothy, a bishop in the early Church, is told to bear witness to his faith.

Gospel: Luke 17:5-10
 Parents often live this Gospel well. Better than most people, they know what it means to "serve" without expecting a reward. For many, parenthood is reward enough. Jesus explained to the disciples in this passage that service was a requirement of discipleship. When the disciples asked how they could have more faith, Jesus explained that faith was a gift. Faith is not something we control, but only something we can appreciate as a gift from God. To show our appreciation, however, Jesus demonstrated through a lesson of service how we could show our thankfulness to God for the gift of faith. When we share our faith with others and demonstrate it by showing the love of God to those we meet, we proclaim our gratitude.

World Mental Health Day

Wednesday, October 9th, 11am

Emmet Stones (Health Promotion Unit, HSE) will visit Ballincollig Library to talk on - Compassion - Managing Stress - Boosting Resilience & other topics on Well-Being - All Welcome!

Rosary for Faith & Life

The Rosary for Faith and Life will take place on the 13th of October 2019. We are asking you to find a location in your area and join us in praying the Rosary there at 2.30pm on the 13th of October. We are joining with countries all around the world on that day to pray for a return to the Faith and for the protection of the unborn. For further information or to register your location please go to:

www.coastalrosaryireland.ie

Ballinhassig Parish Assembly

Fundraising 6K Walk

In aid of Ballinhassig Parish Debt will be held on Sunday, 6th October at 2.00pm starting at the Marian Hall, Ballinhassig. It will be guided by local historian John L. O’Sullivan. No registration fee – donation only. Refreshments in Marian Hall.

Contact: parish office on 021-4885062.

Feast of Our Lady of Fatima

Rosary in the Church of St. Mary & St. John

Sunday, 13th October at 3 o’clock.

All welcome.

Holy Rosary

The Holy Rosary will be recited at 7.30pm every Monday night for the month of October at the grotto in Curraheen.

All are welcome.

About Day For Life

Day for Life is celebrated annually by the Catholic Church in Ireland, Scotland, England and Wales. It is a day dedicated to raising awareness of the meaning and value of human life at every stage and in every condition.

This year’s Day for Life will be celebrated in Ireland on today Sunday October 6th and will focus on the theme:

‘The Scourge of Domestic Abuse’.

Day for Life Pastoral Message for 2019

‘The Scourge of Domestic Abuse’

Jesus said:

‘The Spirit of the Lord has been given to me,
for he has anointed me.

He has sent me to bring the good news to the poor,

To proclaim liberty to captives

And to the blind new sight,

To set the downtrodden free,

To proclaim the Lord’s year of favour.’

Luke 4:18-19

Bulletin Board

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.

First Holy Communion Dates 2020

Scoil Barra	Saturday 25th April
Our Lady of Good Counsel	Saturday 25th April
Scoil Eoin	Saturday 9th May
Scoil Mhuire	Saturday 16th May
Gaelscoil Uí Ríordáin	Saturday 23rd May

Confirmation Dates for 2020

Scoil Barra	Wednesday 4th March
Our Lady of Good Counsel	Wednesday 4th March
Scoil Mhuire	Tuesday 24th March
Gaelscoil Uí Ríordáin	Wednesday 1st April
Scoil Eoin	Tuesday 21st April

Cemetery Masses

Mass in St Oliver’s Cemetery Saturday November 2nd at 2pm

Mass in St Mary’s & St John Cemetery Sat. November 9th at 12 noon

Fr. George & Fr. Cian

Safeguarding

Safeguarding seeks to be proactive and covers both children and vulnerable adults. Education and training are key in keeping the safeguarding message current and not allowing for complacency.

We hold regular training days, conferences and information sessions, which can be found by clicking on www.corkandross.org/safeguarding.

9th of October safeguarding talk with key speakers are Kevin Hyland OBE- Child Trafficking in Ireland and Dr Maureen Griffin-Online Solicitation of Minors. To book a place please download booking form on www.corkandross.org or contact Diocesan Office (€10 booking fee).

SVP Appeal for Church-Door Collectors

Dear Parishioner

We are looking for your help as we are finding it very difficult to maintain the monthly church-door collections due to a shortage of volunteers.

This is a very important source of SVP funds which enables us to continue our ongoing support to those in need in our community. Would you be willing to help us for 15 - 20 minutes before Mass once a month? This is all we ask.

If you can help us at all, please contact Ms Anne McKernan on 021 4270444 / 086-0249518.

Ballincollig Tidy Towns

Congratulations on another great result for our town, eight consecutive Gold Medal and first place in Cork South region. Well done to all concerned.

MINISTERS OF THE WORD

Oct-12 & Oct-13-2019

St. Mary & St. John

Christ Our Light

6:00 pm (Vigil)

Chloe O'Neill
Ailish O'Reilly
8:30 am
Riain Brennan
Miriam Healy
10:00 am
Oisín Morin
Emer Conway
12:00 Noon
Tony Lynch
Dia Harry Thomas

7:30 pm (Vigil)

Fiona Feely
Thalia Greaux
11:00 am
Jamie O'Sullivan
12:30 pm
Gretta Fleming
Kate O'Brien
5:30 pm
Christine O'Brien

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

07-Oct-2019 to 13-Oct-2019
Laurence Cunningham
Virginia Harrington

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The Lake Hotel, Killarney
From 15th-to 17th-November-2019
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MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST

Oct-12 & Oct-13-2019

St. Mary & St. John

Christ Our Light

6.00 pm	Eileen Murphy Ted Nelligan Maurice Bunyan Sheila Walshe Katie Collins Aisling Leahy
8:30 am	Helen Kelly Michael Crowley Eileen Corkery
10:00 am	Fionnuala McDonagh Mary Buckley Fiona Kelly Martin O'Leary Andrej Janukowicz
12 Noon	Ann-Marie Cosgrove Phil Kennedy Ellen O'Sullivan Ursula McAuliffe Sally Crowley Helena Buckley

7:30 pm	Anne O'Regan Mairead Murphy Finbarr Murray Lettie Kelly
11:00 am	Seamus O'Connell Mary O'Connell Alan O'Riordan Geraldine Keohane Gerard Murray / Ciaran Kellehr
12:30 pm	Lucy O'Callaghan Jackie Sheehan Michael O'Leary J.P.O'Leary Ewelina Kudzynska
5:30 pm	Margaret Kelly Noelle Buckley Mary Breen

A Prayer for those who suffer from Depression

Dear Jesus, I walk in the valley of darkness for I suffer from depression. I feel unloved, rejected, useless to myself and useless to others. I feel lost in a world I no longer understand. At times, I want to sleep and never wake up again. Lord, I believe that your love is a transforming love. Jesus, Son of David have pity on me.

Out of the depths, I cry to you. Lord, even though I feel nothing, I still praise you for the wonder of my being. You have formed me in my mother's womb and watched over me to this moment. I am precious in your eyes and you love me. On the Cross, you shed your blood for me. You have carved me on the palm of your hand. For all this I give you thanks and praise. May your precious blood give new life to me and to all those who suffer as I do. Take each one of us and hug us to your sacred and loving heart. Through your glorious wounds may we be healed.

Dear Jesus, when you fed the crowd in the desert, you wished to gather up the fragments lest anything be lost. As I wander through a desert and darkness of my own, I ask you to gather up the fragments of this shattered being, lest anything be lost. Through the prophet, Joel, you promise to restore the years that the locusts have eaten. I ask you, lay your hands gently on my weary head and restore me. Let your face shine upon me and give me back the peace, the joy that has been lost.