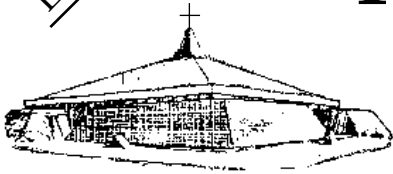


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EDITION

THE BALLINCOLLIG PARISHIONER



CHRIST OUR LIGHT
INNISHMORE



ST. MARY & ST. JOHN
STATION ROAD

SUNDAY 1ST JULY 2001

THIRTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

To be Christian we must be ready to make sacrifices for Christ. To make others welcome, to care for them in the name of Christ involves sacrifice, but Jesus promised that such sacrifice would be rewarded.

"THE PARISHIONER"

During the months of July and August the editorial team of this weekly publication takes a well earned rest. Every Wednesday night from September through June some five volunteers spend up to two hours preparing the weekly newsletter. Meeting deadlines is one of the great stress factors of modern living. Doing so for material reward, as happens in a paid job is understandable; doing so for the love of God in spreading His word and building up our parish community is commendable in the extreme. To each of the volunteers: Patricia Healy, Mary McLean, Tom Murray, Oliver O'Donovan and Con O'Sullivan, we offer our sincerest thanks. Because of recent illness (from which, thank God, she has recovered) Patricia will not be returning to the editorial board in September. Instead, she plans to get involved in some parish voluntary work during the daytime. Thank you again, Patricia.

We should like to thank our Advertisers. Their financial contribution has been of enormous help. Members of the Parish Council have helped in distribution. The Bishop has been most supportive and has praised the publication during his Confirmation visits. We are greatly appreciative of the generous financial support given by the parishioners at last Sunday's exit collection.

At a time when the commercial Press is almost totally concerned with secular matters, except, of course when there is some opportunity for denigrating the Catholic Church, it is imperative to provide the faithful Mass attender with some comment on the Sacred readings and the liturgical feasts as well as parish news of births, marriages and deaths. "The Parishioner" also keeps an eye on social events and publicises good causes and local achievements.

Recently "The Parishioner" expanded from the medium of print into the exciting world of electronic communication. Suttons Oils sponsored the purchase of equipment to enable the publication to set up its own web site expanding its audience literally world wide. During the year up to 6000 people made contact with the Web Site (www.ballincolligparish.ie) We do not know who these people are but we do know from where the viewers came. Ten per cent of these viewers live in Ireland, the rest come from places as diverse as Australia and Egypt, Iceland and Singapore, Chile and Canada, Japan and South Africa. In the month of June these was a significant increase in viewers from Portugal. Ballincollig holidaymakers in the sun obviously keep in touch with home through our web site.

The section of the web site dealing with weddings has been of the greatest assistance to couples planning their wedding ceremony especially when they live abroad as frequently happens. During the months of July and August the web site will be updated weekly, so keep keyed in.

May you all enjoy the annual holidays. God bless you all.

Leonard O'Brien

PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL

PRIEST

We turn to God on whom we rely.

READER

That those who lead and challenge in the Church may have the gift of courage.
Lord, hear us;

Lord, graciously hear us.

That Christian men and women may be spared from half-heartedness.
Lord, hear us;

Lord, graciously hear us.

That those on holidays may find refreshment and that those who travel may journey safely.
Lord, hear us;

Lord, graciously hear us.

That people weighed down by worry, fear and anxiety may know the support of good friends.
Lord, hear us;

Lord, graciously hear us.

That all we have lost to death may find the fullness of joy in God's presence.
Lord, hear us;

Lord, graciously hear us.

PRIEST

O God, our refuge and our strength,
hear the prayer we make this day,
through Christ Our Lord. Amen.

NO ONE WHO LOOKS BACK IS FIT (*Gospel*)

The request to 'bury my father first' sounds very reasonable, but in all likelihood the man's father was not dead or even dying. He wanted to wait until his inheritance came through! But Jesus makes a very firm demand. Following him is not something to be fitted in among all one's other obligations. It means leaving everything.

Visit Our Website: www.ballincolligparish.ie

O Lord, it is you who are my portion

BAPTISMS

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



Darragh Edward O'Brien, Pine Lodge, Carriganarra
Desmond Thomas Lee, 27, Woodberry, Greenfield

MARRIAGES



CONGRATULATIONS TO:

Michael O'Sullivan, Rylane, Co. Cork &
Ann O'Sullivan, Carrigrohane, Co. Cork

Damien Leonard, Greystones, Ballincollig &
Angela Healy, Maglin, Ballincollig



IN SYMPATHY

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE FAMILY AND FRIENDS OF:

David Scannell, Kiskeam

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE REPOSE OF THE SOULS of

Annie Kane, Galway
Thomas O'Callaghan
Tim Hassett, Station Road
John Ryan
James McNamara, Powdermills
Jim & Jimmy Barrett, Magazine Road
Kathleen O'Connor, Innishmore
Golden Jubilee for Fr. McCarthy
Thomas & Kathleen O'Riordan, Lower Friars Walk
Rose O'Neill, Friars Walk
Denis Clifford, Fair Hill
Patrick & Mary O'Mahony
John & Nora Forde, Corbally, Waterfall
Mary Lynch, Kilkee
Kieran Dwyer, Coachford
David Power, Monkstown
Michael Hickey, Greenfield
Kathleen Daly, England
Neil O'Leary, Romford
Con & Julia Harrington, Adrigole
Maureen Cuddihy, Coolroe

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

1 Sunday 1 K. 19:16,19-21. Ps. 15. Gal. 5:1,13-18. Lk. 9:51-62. *Lect I:872*
 The Scripture readings today all encourage us to practice fortitude. By it we will conquer our many fears, and be able to face trials, persecutions and even death itself.

2 Monday Gen. 18:16-33. Ps. 102. Mt. 8:18-22. *Lect II:163*
 Abraham bargains with God to save the just among the sinners of Sodom. He trusts in a God who is compassion and love. Can the goodness of a few win mercy for all?

3 Tuesday Eph. 2:19-22. Ps. 116. Jn. 20:24-29. *Lect II:1087*

4 Wednesday Gen. 21:5, 8-20. Ps. 33. Mt. 8:28-34. *Lect II:167*
 Abraham's faith is stressed in this version of the story of Hagar's child. The power of Jesus over evil is stressed in the strange gospel story. That power he gives to us: we must not reject him as the people did through fear.

5 Thursday Gen. 22:1-19. Ps. 114. Mt. 9:1-8. *Lect II:169*
 The sacrifice of our father Abraham. In being prepared to sacrifice his son Isaac, Abraham's faith is tested. He is proved loyal and faithful and is rewarded with the promise of many descendants who will become a great nation.

6 Friday Gen. 23:1-4. 19; 24:1-8. 62-67. Ps. 105. 2 Mt. 9:9-13. *Lect II:172*
 After the death of Sarah, Abraham provides a wife for Isaac by bringing Rebekah back. Jesus speaks of his coming as one of mercy for sinners.

7 Saturday Gen. 27:1-5, 15-29. Ps. 134. Mt. 9:14-17 *Lect II:175*
 The mysterious ways of God are seen in the supplanting of Esau by Jacob. "The Lord does whatever he wills". His ways are not our ways.

SAINTS THIS WEEK

3 Tuesday - St. Thomas is said to have preached the gospel in India, where he was martyred. The faith that led him to know Christ in his wounds also sent him to the farthest places to preach Christ.

4 Wednesday - St. Elizabeth of Portugal 1271-1336, of the House of Aragon, had an unhappy marriage with the King of Portugal. She persevered in prayer and good works and as a widow lived in poverty as a Franciscan Tertiary. She is invoked in time of war.

5 Thursday - St. Anthony Maria Zaccaria 1502-1539, was first a medical doctor before becoming a priest in Milan. He founded the Barnabites.

6 Friday - St. Maria Goretti 1890-1902, was stabbed to death in defence of her virtue.

7 Saturday - St. Maelrain (Maolruain), bishop and abbot, founded the monastery of Tallaght, Co. Dublin, in 774, which introduced a reform. Important liturgical and spiritual writings emerged from this movement known as Céili Dé reform. He died in 792.

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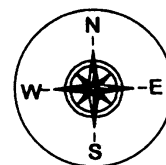
Please note that the Peter's Pence Collection will be made at all Masses this weekend Saturday 30th June & Sunday 1st July



BALLINCOLLIG TIDY TOWNS

CORK COUNTY COUNCIL

Inter Town Challenge 2001



Competition commenced on May 17th and will continue until July 4th

Area 1 (Town Centre) (will be judged every week)

Main St. from Westpark Hotel to Roundabout near McNamara Supervalu Shopping Centre at Western End. To include area behind Main St. - Station Road up to Church, across and behind Church including Scoil Eoin, Scout Hall & Cemetery - Northern end of Car Park (incl. Car Park) and Time Square.

Area 8 (from 28th June to 4th July)

Carriganarra, Castleknock, Glincoool & Maglin Estates. Kilumney Road from Muskerry Est. to Leo Murphy Road junction. Maglin Road from Kilumney Road to River

Ballincollig versus Youghal

For the final week of the competition
"We need assistance from everyone"
Again we appeal to each and every member of the Ballincollig Community to play their part and lend a hand. For the remaining week there will be a Community Clean-Up each Tuesday starting at 7.30p.m. The meeting venues will be Moremiles, Scoil Eoin Car Park and L & N Car Park

After week 5 of the Cork County Council Inter Town Litter Challenge, Ballincollig has moved up to Second Place in the league. This is very good news for those who have been working very hard over the last number of weeks. As we have said over the last few weeks it is very disappointing to see people having total disregard for the efforts of other people. We took photographs last weekend of the Main Street at 7.30a.m. You would not believe the dirt and filth on the street. These photos will be published in the press in the coming weeks. To clean up around these premises took 2 to 3 minutes, what can we say. It was also sad to watch a Trader kick a bottles away from the front of his premises on Sunday morning instead of picking it up and putting it in the nearby bin.

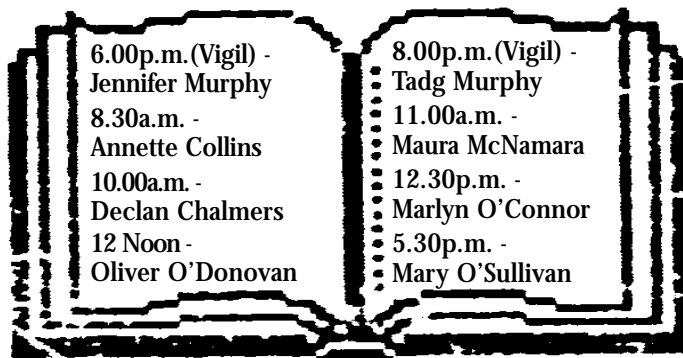
Town	Matches	Marks Cur. Week	Total Marks
Youghal	5	60	299
Ballincollig	5	59	283
Fermoy	5	56	280
Cobh	5	46	272
Midleton	5	50	258
Charleville	5	55	251
Mallow	5	48	241
Mitchelstown	5	47	221

**SOCIETY OF
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Monthly Collection
This Weekend
30th June & 1st July 2001
Please Support

**EXIT COLLECTION FOR
PARISHIONER & MISALETTES**
We would like to thank all those
who contributed so generously

MINISTERS OF THE WORD 7TH/8TH JULY

ST. MARY & ST. JOHN CHRIST OUR LIGHT



MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST 7th/8th July 2001 ST. MARY'S & ST. JOHN'S CHURCH

SATURDAY 7TH
6p.m.
Patsy Murphy
Breda Foley
Geraldine Graham
Jim Healy
Geraldine Hegarty
Cathy Horgan

SUNDAY 8TH
8.30a.m.
Mary Buckley
Josie Halligan

10a.m.
Anne Cahill
Pat Lee
May Delaney
Seamus O'Shea

12.00 Noon
Joan Barrett
Sheila Carroll
Marsie Curling
Brendan Daly
Mary Daly
Pat Keenan



CHRIST OUR LIGHT CHURCH

SATURDAY 7TH
8p.m.
John O'Donoghue
Eleanor O'Donogue
Kathleen Daly

SUNDAY 8TH
11a.m.
Robert Wade
Mary O'Mahony
Margaret Brown
Rose Cotter

12.30p.m.
Brid Dolan
Peggy Sheehan
Pat Manning
Terry O'Driscoll
Bernie O'Driscoll

5.30p.m.
Garreth Irish
Sheila Curran
Statia O'Callaghan

ST. MARY & ST. JOHN	EACH SUNDAY	CHRIST OUR LIGHT
<p style="text-align: center;">Masses</p> <p>Sunday: 8.30, 10.00, 12.00 Mon-Thur: 9.30am Fri: 9.30am, 8.00pm Saturday: 10.00, 6pm (Vigil)</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">ROSARY RECITED AT BOTH CHURCHES EACH SUNDAY 3.00P.M.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>Everyone most welcome</i></p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Masses</p> <p>Sunday: 11.00, 12.30, 5.30pm Mon-Thur: 8.30am Fri: 8.30am, 6.30pm Saturday: 10.00am, 8.00pm (Vigil)</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">Confessions</p> <p>Saturday: after 10am Mass before 6pm Mass</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">FRIDAY 6TH JULY 2001 (First Friday) EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT <i>Church of St. Mary & St. John</i> <i>Following 9.30a.m. Mass</i> Concluding with Rosary & Benediction at 7.40p.m. & Mass 8.00p.m.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Confessions</p> <p>Saturday: after 10am Mass</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">Baptisms</p> <p>Saturday: 5.00pm Sunday: 12.45pm</p>		<p style="text-align: center;">Baptisms</p> <p>Saturday: 7.15pm</p>

PARISH CLERGY

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Fr. Paul O'Donoghue  021-4876055

SUMMER 2001

THE BALLINCOLLIG PARISHIONER

The publication of the Ballincollig Parishioner will resume after the summer break on Sunday 2nd September. All contributions and notices should be handed in to the Sacristy of St. Mary & St. John's Church by Wednesday 29th August 2001.

www.ballincolligparish.ie

The Website will continue to be updated during the summer break, showing baptisms, weddings, recently deceased and death anniversaries.

The rotas for the Ministers of the Word and Eucharist of both churches will also be published.

Over 5,600 visitors have visited the website.



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- For further details and an application form, please contact Ann on 087-9603826 or Louise on 087-2238747

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SKIING TIMES

THURSDAY	6.30P.M. - DARK
SATURDAY	2.P.M. - 6.00P.M.
SUNDAY	2P.M. - 6.00P.M.

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Words and Wounds

Did you hear about what's-his-name? or 'Wait till I tell you...' is usually the preamble one uses when they are going to talk about a colleague or neighbour. It is usually the beginning of a scandalous account concerning someone else's misfortunes or mishaps and like most people, our eyes widen perceptibly as we wait eagerly to hear the latest gossip. Of course, we do not encourage scandal but we cannot stop other people talking, can we? And, we rationalise, it is probably the truth anyway, and what harm is it in listening? We may wish that they would finish but we do not really try to interrupt them, nodding our heads in absent-minded agreement. Being good Christians, we do not actively encourage them and may offer feeble excuses that we have to go. We try to intrude by making half-hearted suggestions that perhaps one ought to sympathise with those less fortunate than ourselves, but our weak attempts are blithely ignored as the litany of public reproach continues unabatedly. The speaker knows that you are a receptive audience, a person who is not strong enough to defend someone else's character...that you will listen meekly...and will continue to do so until they decide that they are finished. It is only when you walk away that you tell yourself: I should have said this or that.....but I did not..... Indeed, you did not seriously try to dissuade the other person from hurting someone else with words, words that not only wounded the unfortunate person who was spoken about, but which also impaired your own integrity. You might call to mind that not only evil actions cause pain, that 'Sharp words can wound as deeply as any sword, but wisely chosen words can heal' PROVERBS 12:8

E. Chandler

CORK COUNTY COUNCIL requires Part-Time Firefighters- Ballincollig

Age Limit: Candidates should be at least 18 years of age on 1st June 2001. Retirement age for Firefighters is 55 years of age.

Only applicants who reside in the town or within one mile of same and whose ordinary activity does not take them away from the town will be considered.

Wages: Annual Retainer £4,309-£5,377

Hourly Rate of Attendance

Drill	Fire			
	Day		Night/Weekend	
Rate per Hour	1st Hour	Subsequent Hour	1st Hour	Subsequent Hour
£10.36	£20.72	£10.36	£41.44	£20.72

These positions are open to both male and female candidates. Application forms and further particulars may be obtained from the Personnel Officer, Room 1404, County Hall, Cork or email: recruit@corkcoco.ie, with whom completed application must be lodged not later than 5.00p.m. on Friday 20th July 2001

Attention.....all Leaving Certificate Students

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who are resident in the Ballincollig area.

Information packs and entry forms are available from
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directly from Ballincollig Credit Union

Closing Date Friday 6th July 2001

Any further details or queries can be referred to:
John Smyth or Maura Ballard at 4872305 (Ballincollig Credit Union)
or Pat Buckley at 4871551

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Commences:

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EARLY BOOKING IS ESSENTIAL AS PLACES ARE LIMITED

My life is in your hands

Lord, I have passed through tough times.
The props that I would sustain me,
Have been knocked from beneath me:
I have collapsed like a tent unpegged.
Now my health is broken from sorrow.
I have become weak from grief,
My years drained away in sadness.
I feel like a broken crock.
Now there is nowhere else to go,
Nothing to cling to,
No foothold to balance,
My faltering steps.
I recall that in past times,
You took pity on my weakness.
You took note of my affliction,
Heeded my soul's distress.
Be now a cave of refuge for me,
A mighty stronghold to save me.
For your name's sake,
I will rejoice and be glad of your kindness.
I look only for your guidance, My fate is in your hand.
'Cheer up! Be brave!
Take courage if you trust in the Lord.'

Reflection from Psalm No. 31