# THE BALLINCOLLIG PARISHIONER



# Sunday 04-April-2010

#### **Easter Sunday**

Today we face the greatest mystery of our faith, the mystery of how God works among us, bringing new life where before was only death. With a sense of wonder and with joy, we come today to thank God for the risen life of Jesus.

St. Mary & St. John **Station Road** 

# **Easter 2010**

Good Friday is dominated by the Gospel of St. John. John is one of the longest serving disciples, he followed Christ from early in his public life. He is a close friend to Christ. He is also the reliable friend, with Christ on Mount Tabor, being present with others in the garden of Gethsemane and walking nearby on Christ's final journey as He carried the cross to Calvary.

The passion according to John reveals the power of Christ, He healed the wounded during his trial, Christ took time to comfort those who were grieving and broken hearted as they saw him struggle to Calvary. To witness and read of such heroic love can ease our fears and awaken a commitment to unconditional love which is the goal of every Christian. God sent his Son to love us and lead us to everlasting joy which begins today.

The passion according to St. John tells us that "Jesus went out carrying His own Cross". There are many in our midst carrying there own cross. Crosses come in all sorts of shapes, sizes and colors. Some crosses are sickness, others worries about family, some about work and business and there are many more including addictions and anger with church authorities about the abuse of children by clergy. Thanks to the victims of abuse who have come forward to tell of the suffering inflicted on them and their families and friends. This torment of Child abuse has to be exposed so that healing and a change of heart can take place. This Easter day may it be a time when each of us will remember those carrying their own cross, pray for them and support them on this lonely journey.

Christ asked St. John to take of His mother "Son behold your mother" may we hear those words anew and really care for one another.

George O'Mahony

# 0000000000 00000 **Best Wishes for a Happy Easter**

The priests of the parish join in sending their Easter greetings to all members of the parish and to all readers of The Ballincollig Parishioner. George O'Mahony, Michael O'Mahony,

Billy O'Sullivan & James McSweeney.



**Christ Our Light** Innishmore

PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL

Let us present our needs to the Lord with

We pray for all those who proclaim the gos-

pel; that they will proclaim the risen Jesus to

Lord, graciously hear us. We pray for our political leaders; that they may be guided by the virtues of wisdom and integrity in difficult times. Lord. Hear us. Lord, graciously hear us.

Priest

confidence.

Reader

the world. Lord, Hear us,

We pray for those who are sick: that the risen Lord might bring them comfort in their pain.

Lord, Hear us, Lord, graciously hear us.

We pray for people who, like the disciples confronted by the empty tomb, are confused and struggling with their faith; that the risen Lord will appear to them and give them guidance and direction. Lord, Hear us, Lord, graciously hear us.

We pray for all who mourn; that they may be comforted by the power of God who raised Jesus from the dead. Lord, Hear us,

Lord, graciously hear us.

We pray for those who have died; that they will be received into heaven and revealed in all their glory with Christ.

Lord, Hear us, Lord, graciously hear us.

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Priest Heavenly Father, you raised Jesus from the dead. Look with kindness on our petitions today. We make these and all our prayers in the name of Jesus, your Son, our Lord. Amen.

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This day was made by the Lord; we rejoice and are glad.

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#### BAPTISMS

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

Zaak Finley Andrew Lecointe, Bishopstown. Aoife Juliette Wohlgemuth, Harringay Road, London. Sadhbh Jsobel White, Daffodil Fields. Chloe Mary Carey, Hazel Grove, Muskerry Estate. Aiden John Nolan, The Green Coolroe Meadows. Liam Anthony O'Brien, The Meadows, Classes Lake.

#### MARRIAGES

#### **CONGRATULATIONS TO:**

James O'Donovan, Leap & Leah Hillgrove, Greystones. Thomas O'Hara, Kilkenny & Lisa Tuohy, Castle Avenue. Edward Sexton, Blarney & Lisa Nolan, Beech Park.

#### † IN SYMPATHY †

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

Maureen Ring, Carrigadrohid. Mary O'Callaghan, Aherla. Mary Carmel Shanahan, East Gate, Ballincollig. Joseph (Joe) Thornton, Ballincollig & Berrings.

#### PLEASE PRAY FOR THE REPOSE OF THE SOULS OF THE FOLLOWING WHOSE ANNIVERSARY OCCURS:

Deceased members of the O'Regan & Horgan families. Paddy Keohane, Inniscarra. John & Kitty Harte, Clonakilty. Deceased members of the Harte family, Clonakilty. Paddy Deasy, Model Farm Road. Paddy & Norah Barry, Redemption Road. The Harrington Family, The Square. Kevin Reck, Farran. Kevin Shields, Castleknock. Barry Kelly, The Crescent. Dan McCarthy, The Crescent. Tom O'Leary, Maglin View. Denis Walsh, Model Farm Road. Vincent McLoughlin, Sligo. Daisy Downing, Bandon. Ellen O'Sullivan, Inniscarra. Richard Hourigan, Limerick. Joseph & Margaret Kavanagh, Powdermills. William Walsh, Galway. Cornelius O'Regan, Carriganarra. Paddy Kirstein, Inniscarra View. Sean & Jack Murphy, Kiskeam. Nellie & Mai Murphy, Kiskeam. Baby Edel- Elizabeth Murphy, Kiskeam. Rose O'Shea, Model Farm Road. William O'Brian, Fairhill. Sean O'Leary, Dublin Hill.

#### Knock

Legion of Mary Annual Pilgrimage will take place on Sunday May 30<sup>th</sup>. Bus leaving village at 7 am sharp. Early booking advised For details contact Sally 021-4870954 or Cathleen 0214874730

#### READINGS FOR THE WEEK

#### The Easter Octave

04 Sunday Acts 10:34,37-43. Ps. 117. Col. 3:1-4 or 1 Cor. 5:6-9. In. 20:1-9. Lect I

05 Monday Acts 2: 14, 22-32. Ps. 15. Mt. 28:8-15. Lect I: 423

06 Tuesday Acts 2:36-41. Ps. 32. Jn. 20: 11-18. Lect I: 425

07 Wednesday Acts 3: 1-10. Ps. 104. Lk. 24: 13-35. Lect I: 427

08 Thursday Acts 3: 11-26. Ps. 8. Lk. 24:35-48. Lect I: 430

09 Friday Acts 4:1-12. Ps. 117. Jn. 21:1-14. Lect I: 432

10 Saturday Acts 4:13-21. Ps. 117. Mk. 16:9-15. Lect I: 435

**Next Sunday's Readings** 11-April-2010 Acts 5:12-16. Ps. 117. Apoc. 1:9-13, 17-19. Jn. 20: 19-31. Lect I: 444

## **Reflection for Parents**

Most parents have discovered by now that things aren't always, as they seem. A poured out bottle of laundry detergent wasn't really mischievous behaviour, but rather an attempt to surprise you with a generous gift of service. Or secret whispers are not an attempt to hide some wrongdoing but rather an effort to plan a surprise for you. Things weren't, as they seemed to Mary Magdalene either that first Easter morning. Our errors in perception often work to remind us that God's plan is not always obvious, but that we are challenged to trust in the promise of the resurrection.Today we celebrate Easter, the central mystery of our faith. Christ, through his resurrection has triumphed over death. We are an Easter people and alleluia is our song.

### The Pyke Theatre - Ballincollig

Are holding their monthly social on the 13th April 2010 in Tanner Park. Music is by Jim Calnan and starts at 9 pm . As its Easter the theme for the night is the annual Easter Bonnet competition. All are welcome

Happy Easter to all parishioners and readers of The Ballincollig Parishioner. Have a safe and enjoyable weekend

#### Ennis Padre Pio Pilgrimage

Ennis Padre Pio Pilgrimage to San Giovanni, also visiting Rome and Loreto. Audience with the Holy Father. Leaving Cork Airport, September 5 - 15. Please contact Mrs. Maire Coll, 086 8804603.

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#### THE SUNDAY READINGS

First Reading: Acts 10:34. 37-43

Peter preaches to some of the early converts and tells them of Christ's death and Resurrection. That message is still preached today, within the Church. We yearn to hear the truth, the Gospel, the Word of life.

Second Reading: 1 Cor. 5:6-9

Paul speaks of union with Christ. If we stay united with Christ, in his human nature, we will someday share his glory.

#### Gospel: John 20:1-9.

On Friday afternoon when Jesus died, the women had not been able to finish the customary preparation for burial. The Sabbath began at sundown on Friday, so Mary of Magdala hurried to the tomb Sunday morning to complete her task. She found the tomb empty. Certain that Jesus' body had been stolen, she ran back to get the other disciples. Peter and the other disciple also found an empty tomb but with Jesus' clothing rolled neatly and placed where his body had been. The disciples still didn't understand about the resurrection and Mary wept. As she cried, two angels appeared asking why she was crying. She then saw a gardener and asked him where the body might be. When he called her by name, Mary immediately recognised Jesus

#### Scout news

Last weekend both the Macoimh sections and some of the Scouts from the two Scout sections went to Mount Melleray Scout Centre. The Macoimh sections stayed in the Scout Centre, over the weekend both the Macoimh sections were very active, the Friday nights climbed to the cross while the Tuesday nights cooked backed backwoods at the centre , then went on the zip wire and went on the commando course. Both sections came together for the Campfire. On Sunday the sections played soccer, shoot the laser rifles and attended mass. They then cleaned their dorms, packed their bags and returned to Ballincollig.

Both the Scout Sections were taking part in the County Survival Weekend, They had to hike from Melleray to the Glen, build a water proof shelter, cook without any pots and pans on an open fire and sleep in the shelter they had built. They also had to go around to four different bases and where they had to gut, fillet and cook a Mackerel, Build a platform and get all their patrol up on it. After a cold night out in the woods the Scouts returned to the Scout Centre and packed their gear onto the bus and returned to Ballincollig. The Wednesday nights Scouts won the Spirit of Scouting Trophy, for their friendliness, scouting spirit and all round jolliness over the weekend.

The dictionary is the only place where the word success comes before work.

# **Ballincollig** Parish **Bereavement** Support

There will be a Bereavement Support Programme commencing in Ballincollig on Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> April. It will continue each Tuesday night for 8 weeks (7.30-9.30 pm). Anyone who is experiencing the grief and loss of a loved one, is very welcome to attend. For further information, please contact:

Sr Colette O'Leary: 086.3557375 or Parish Office: 4871206.



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## **Bulletin Board**

Easter collection for the Priests of the Parish

According to the Diocesan custom, the collection at Easter Masses is one of two collections during the year when the offertory collection goes to the priests of the parish.

#### **Bank Holidav Mondav**

Monday 5th April 9.30 am Mass in Church of St Mary & St John.

#### Spring Dues

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

#### **Penitential Service**

Thanks to everybody who came to take part in the Penitential Service

in Christ Our Light on Monday March 29th .

#### Franciscan Missionaries of Mary

Franciscan Missionaries of Mary will be visiting the parish on 17<sup>th</sup> & 18<sup>th</sup> April, 2010. There will be a special collection for the Missions at the church doors after each Mass.

#### **Confirmation**

Congratulations to the Boys to the Boys and Girls of Scoil Barra and Our Lady of Good Counsel school who were recently confirmed. Congratulations also to the Parents and Teachers for their great efforts in preparing the children for the Sacrament. Please keep in your prayers all the children preparing for their Confirmation and First Holy Communion.

#### Fr. George



A inter-church Alpha course begins after Easter. This is an opportunity to explore the meaning of life in an informal, fun and friendly environment. The course starts on Thursday April 8<sup>th</sup>, and continues in the Carrigrohane Alpha Parish Centre on each Thursday evening from

8.00 pm to 10.00 pm for ten weeks. The course explores some of the basic truths of the Christian faith – "Who is Jesus?" "Why Did Jesus Die?" "How does God guide us" and "What about the Church?" During the programme there is an option of a day away to explore the

work of the Holy Spirit. This course is relaxed, nonthreatening, low key and friendly. We meet weekly and listen to a talk lasting 40 minutes, followed by a tea/coffee break and small group discussion to discuss the talk and questions arising from it. Alpha is for everyone; no question is out of bounds and you are free to discuss as much or as little as you wish. Carrigrohane Parish Centre is on Church Hill: come off the Model Farm Road at Nangles Garden Centre and the Parish Centre is about 500 yards down the hill, on the right. Further information from Rev Ian Jonas (021 4871106, office: 4877260) or Fr Billy O'Sullivan (086 8235291).

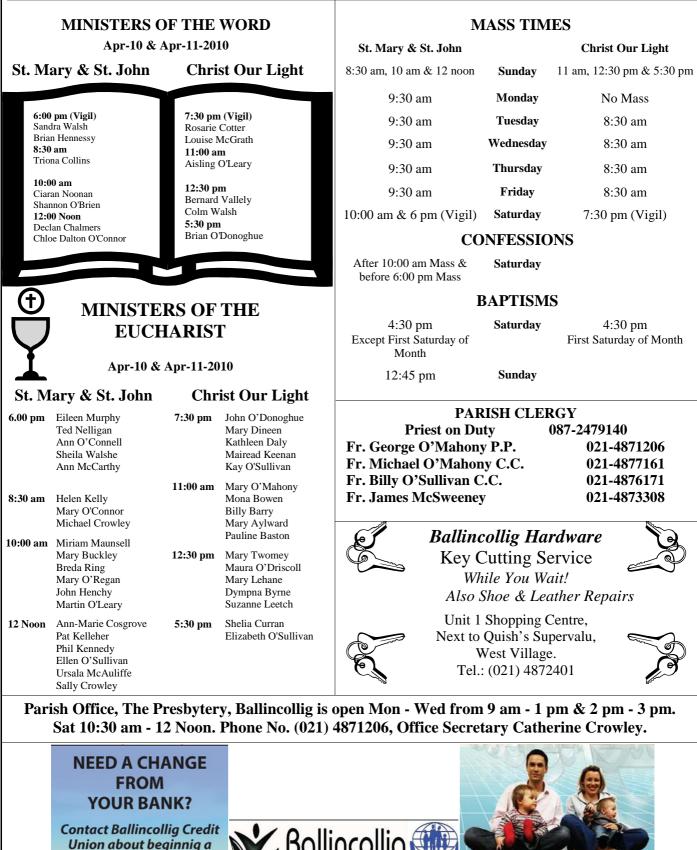
## Family Fun Day Fundraiser

Dripsey Sunday 9th of May Lee Valley Vintage Rally and Auto Jumble at Kilblafer Dripsey All proceeds raised in aid for Childrens Leukaemia Unit Mercy Hospital Cork and Our Ladys Childrens Hospital Crumlin Dublin Motor Bike run on day finishing at Ralley Contact Denis Dineen (087)7460807 or (021)7334421

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