THE BALLINCOLLIG PARISHIONER



Sunday 09-May-2010

Sixth Sunday of Easter

The night before He died Jesus promised the gift of the Spirit to his disciples. God the Father sends the Spirit to keep the word of Christ and for those who keep that word there is the great promise of Christ's peace - being at home with the Father and the Son.

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

Jesus' Farewell Gift

The setting of today's Gospel is the night before Jesus' own suffering and death. He is preparing his disciples for his return to his Heavenly Father. All of us experience at some time in our lives the sadness and difficulty of 'letting go' of a loved one who is dying. The disciples are now facing the reality that Jesus will not be with them much longer. Jesus is very aware of their sadness, anxiety and fear and tells them 'do not let your hearts be troubled or afraid'. He goes on to reassure them that they will never be alone; that when he is no longer physically present with them, his Father will send the Advocate, the Holy Spirit, who will always be with them to help them and to remind them of all Jesus had said to them.

Jesus' farewell gift and wish for his disciples is a message of peace. "Peace I leave with you; my own peace I give to you." As Jesus prepared to return to his Father, and in spite of the suffering he knew he was facing, he received the strength to face the cross. He was at peace knowing he had accomplished the mission for which he was sent. When we remain faithful to God, during the times we face the cross in our own lives, we too will experience his peace.

Jesus also says, 'whoever loves me will keep my word, and my Father will love them and we shall come to them and make our home with them'. I can ask myself in what ways do I love God? I love God by keeping his commandments; by nurturing my relationship with him - spending time in daily prayer; receiving the Sacraments; 'pondering his word' by setting aside time each day to read and reflect on a passage from the Bible; I love God by recognizing his presence in those I meet each day and by reaching out to those in need. It makes me realize if I'm really aware of God's indwelling in others, I will treat them with more reverence and respect. Let us invite God the Father, Son and Holy Spirit to come to us and to make their home in each of our hearts.

Jesus continues to offer us his gift of peace, a peace 'that the world cannot give'. Let us pray today for this gift of peace in our hearts, our homes and in our world.

Sr. Colette

Reflection for Parents

Today's Gospel is especially helpful when we have to explain death to our children. Jesus told his disciples that if they truly loved him, they would be happy that he was going to be with his Father. While the words are sometimes hard, even for us as we face a loss through death, our faith lets us know that Jesus and our loved ones are truly happy in a way we can't fully understand. Jesus offered the Spirit to the disciples because he knew the days ahead would be hard for them. It is that same Spirit that helps our families and us when we face hard days following a death. The greatest news in this reading is that Jesus will be back for us!



Christ Our Light Innishmore

PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL

Priest

Let us offer our prayers to the Lord who rules the world with justice.

Reader

We pray for the Church; that the Holy Spirit may enlighten it and guide it on its way through the world. Lord, Hear us,

Lord, graciously hear us.

We pray for our political leaders; that they may rule the world with justice.

Lord, Hear us, Lord, graciously hear us.

We pray for peace; that the peace of Christ may rest on each of us and on the world

Lord. Hear us. Lord, graciously hear us.

We pray for each of us present today; that the holy Spirit may come and teach us everything and remind us of the words of Jesus.

Lord, Hear us, Lord, graciously hear us.

We pray for those who are sick; that they may receive comfort in their illness and be restored to full health.

Lord. Hear us. Lord, graciously hear us.

We pray for our dead; that they may be welcomed into the holy city with the angels in heaven.

Lord. Hear us.

Lord, graciously hear us.

Priest

Father in heaven, you sent your Holy Spirit to guide us on the way of truth. Hear our prayers today, which we make in the name of Jesus, your Son, our Lord. Amen.

Let the peoples praise you, O God; let all the peoples praise you. Visit Our Website: www.ballincolligparish.ie

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BAPTISMS

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

Cillian Patricio O'Donoghue, Rosewood. Norah Gabriel Collins, Riverview Gardens, Ballyvolane. Fionn Daniel McCarthy, Rosewood. Saidhbhin Imelda Susan Burke, Oldcourt Drive, Greenfields. Patrick John Likely, Coopers Grange, Old Quarter. Abbie Margaret Healy, The Heathers Classes Lake. Conor Michael Murphy, Berryfield, Classes Lake. Keelin Mary O'Leary, Kilnaglory. Millie Abina O'Leary, Kilnaglory.

† IN SYMPATHY † PLEASE PRAY FOR THE FAMILY AND FRIENDS OF THE **RECENTLY DECEASED :**

Michael McEvoy, Castle Park. Johnny Curtin, Youghal. Michael Linehan, Inniscarra. Margaret Sexton, Manor Hill. Arthur Roche, Whites Cross & Carrigrohane. Jimmy Bell, England & Ballinora. Baby Danny Coakley, Drinagh. Rena O'Leary, Conna. Leslie Holbinson, Wigan, England. Raymond Collins, Clontibret, Co Monaghan.

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

Mary Lee, Kilfinane. John Murphy, Powdermills. Paul Dillon, Sunday's Well. Josephine Cuddihy, Tipperary. Michael Hayes, Clonmult. Raymond & Lilian Nagle. Noel O'Sullivan, Friars Walk. Paddy O'Sullivan, Friars Walk. Michael & Helen Byrnes Peggie & Mick McCarthy, Dripsey. Hannie Buckley. Trevor Kelleher, Rosewood. Dec Members of Ballincollig Credit Union. Nellie Crowley, Kilmichael. John Shanahan, Fr Sexton Park. Jeremiah & Hannah Henchy, Carrigrohane. Dr Jim O'Neill, Poulavone. Michael O'Regan, Shamrock Drive. Josie Murphy, Rockchapel. Abina Murphy, The Lough. Nora Murphy, Eyeries, Beara. Maureen & Jim Curran, Cahirciveen. Patricia Ginty, Hawthorn Ave, Inniscarra View. Neil Barrett, Dripsey, Inniscarra. Nell McSweeney, Classis, Ovens. Daniel & Mary O'Mahony, Bandon. Jeremiah & Catherine Cunningham, Dillons Cross.

Msza Św. Mass in Polish

w jêzyku polskim w Ballincollig 15 maja-15 May sobota - 19:00 - Saturday 19:00 Zapraszamy Powiadom znajomych **READINGS FOR THE WEEK**

Sixth Week Of Easter

09 Sunday Acts 15:1-2,22-29. Ps. 66. Apoc. 21:10-14,22-23. Jn. 14:23-29. Lect I: 539

10 Monday Acts 16:11-15. Ps 149. Jn 15:26-16:4. Lect I: 542

11 Tuesday Acts 16:22-34. Ps. 137. Jn. 16:5-11. Lect I: 544

12 Wednesday Acts 17:15,22-18:1. Ps. 148. Jn. 16:12-15. Lect I: 546

13 Thursday Acts 18:1-8. Ps. 97. Jn. 16:16-20. Lect I: 560

14 Friday Acts 1: 15-17. Ps. 112. Jn. 15:9-17. Lect I: 1023

15 Saturday Acts 18:23-28. Ps. 46. Jn. 16:23-28. Lect I: 564

Next Sunday's Readings 16-May-2010

Acts 1: 1-11. Ps. 46. Eph. 1: 17-23 or Heb. 9:24-28, 10: 19-23. Lk. 24:46-53. Lect I:

Ballincollig Parish Gospel of John

Following our series of talks of the life and letters of Paul the Apostle last year, a series of eight talks on St John's Gospel will be presented this year. As before, the talks will be held in the St Mark Centre, opposite the Church of Christ Our Light in Innishmore. These will include presentation of the material by Fr Billy O'Sullivan followed by tea and group discussion. Copies of information leaflets will be available for everybody. Four meetings will be held before the summer and four in the autumn/winter period before Christmas. The schedule of meetings for May and June is as follows.

	Mon, 7.30 pm	Wed, 10.00 am
Talk 1	10 th May	12 th May
Talk 2	17 th May	19 th May
Talk 3	31 st May	2 nd June
Talk 4	14 th June	16 th June

Happy Heart Weekend Weekending 13th, 14th and 15th of May 2010. We collect all around Ireland in shopping centres and on street collections. We aim to raise €50,000 to improve by stander CPR. This year for Happy Heart Weekend we are raising money for our CPR

programme to promote emergency lifesaving skills in every community in Ireland. Our message is simple – the more people who know how to perform CPR, the more lives we can save.

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THE SUNDAY READINGS

First Reading: Acts 15:1-2. 22-29

One problem in the early Church was whether Christ meant his message for the Gentiles or only for the Jews. The apostles met in council at Jerusalem and decided to preach to the whole world.

Second Reading: Apoc 21:10-14. 22-23

The ancient Jews loved the city of Jerusalem, the site of the temple and the centre of their religion. In the Second Reading for today, John describes the Church as triumphant as a new and glorious city, the New Jerusalem. That new city is a symbol of the Church as she is today and she will be in the future.

Gospel: John 14:23-29.

In this Gospel, Jesus prepared his disciples for his return to God. Jesus promised them that the Holy Spirit would live within them and provide strength and courage. The Spirit would always be available to help them as a counsellor and advocate. Through the Spirit, they would recall the words and teachings of Jesus and even come to understand these things in a way that they could not before. In addition the disciples would receive peace from the Spirit. The peace of the Spirit would be a "shalom" kind of peace which provided a special inner serenity.

Irish Blood Transfusion Service Next Blood Donor Clinic:

Next Blood Donor Clinic: Eire Og GAA Hall, Ovens Tuesday 11th May, 2010 5 pm – 8pm Wednesday & Thursday 12th & 13th May, 2010 3 pm – 5 pm & 7 pm – 9 pm.

Muskerry Local History Society

Field trip to Knockavilla 1200 B.C. hilltop fort and Gurrane ring fort near Templemartin on Tuesday May 11th at 7 p.m. Talk will be delivered by Professor William O'Brien, Professor of Archaeology, UCC. Assemble at Centra Supermarket Crossbarry at 6.45 p.m.

Society of African Missions

SMA Novena / Retreat in honour of Our Lady. Celebration of the Sacraments and Reflections: Fri. 14th – Fri 21st May at 7.30 pm in SMA Parish Church, Blackrock Rd., Cork Novena closes with SMA National Pilgrimage to Knock on Sat 22nd May

The Pyke Theatre Ballincollig

Will be holding their Annual Mass for Deceased members and friends on Tuesday 11th May 2010.
The Mass is at 7 pm sharp in Tanner Park, Rugby Club and will be followed by the monthly social . Music is by Pat Clohessy. Everybody Welcome!

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Bulletin Board

Mass Envelope Collection

This weekend 8th & 9th May for Parish Pastoral Services. *Franciscan Missionaries of Mary*

Sister Nuala Glynn has written to the parish to thank you for your generosity during her recent visit to the parish with Sister Sheila. A total of €12,584.50 was collected. Your generosity was very much appreciated

Confirmation Dates

Gaelscoil Ui Riordain Scoil Mhuire Tuesday 18th May

First Holy Communion 2010

Scoil Mhuire Scoil Eoin Our Lady of Good Council Scoil Barra Gaelscoil Ui Riordain Saturday 29th May Saturday 15th May Saturday 8th May Saturday 8th May Saturday 22nd May Fr. George

Trip to Pallotti in Tanzania

On the 28th of June 2010 four 5th year students from Ballincollig will be travelling to Pallotti in Tanzania to work in an Orphanage and teach young children how to play Basketball and Ladies Football.

To make this a success we must raise €4000 each. The money raised will be going towards a :

- Women's Development Centre
- Kindergarten
- Centre for HIV Support Group
- Mother and Child Healthcare Unit

In Pallotti there is extreme poverty, unemployment, poor housing, lack of sanitation and a high incidence of HIV/ Aids.

We would like to better serve the whole community and to build on what has already been achieved.

On 8th and 9th of May we are holding a cake sale in the church of St Mary and St John after all Masses and on the 12th and 13th of June in Christ Our Light.

Knock

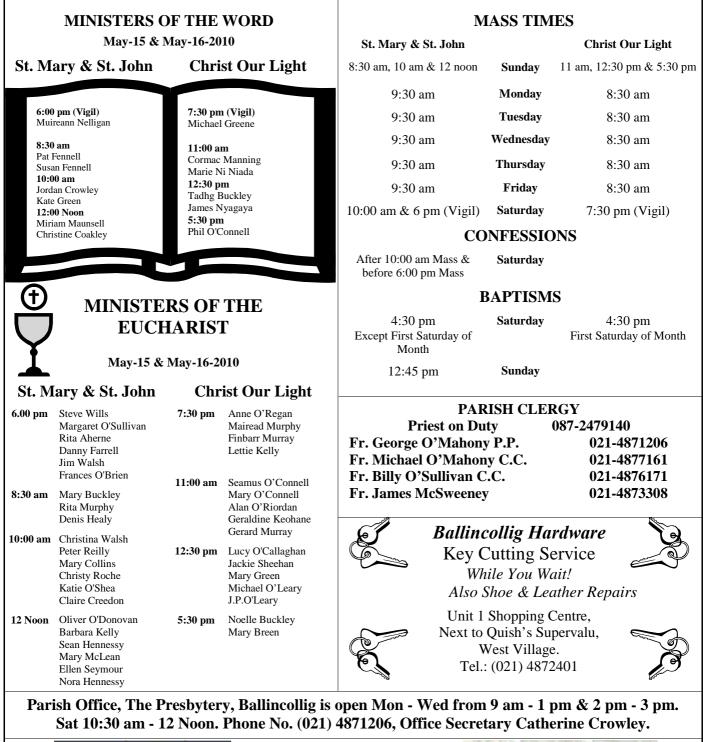
Legion of Mary Annual Pilgrimage will take place on Sunday May 30th. Bus leaving village at 7 am sharp. Early booking advised For details contact Sally 021-4870954 or Cathleen 0214874730



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