

THE BALLINCOLLIG PARISHIONER

Sunday 09-November-2003



St. Mary & St. John
Station Road



Dedication of Lateran Basilica
We commemorate today not the dedication of a building but the reality for which it stands - God's presence in the lives of his people gathered as a community. The most perfect meeting-point between God and man took place in Jesus Christ. We come to Church to deepen our share in that meeting.



Christ Our Light
Innishmore

Ordinary Saints

If asked, have we been talking to any saints recently, our immediate reply would probably be "Of course not, we don't know any saints!" After all saints are generally figures from the past. However, this is not entirely correct. Blessed Mother Theresa, from our own time, is on the way to becoming a saint. Also saints are always regarded as people who have suffered great privations, or worked some great miracles, or who otherwise stood out from those around them. Saints also have among their ranks many who were martyred for the faith, so sainthood would not appear to be for the faint hearted! But is sainthood reserved only for the people who fulfill these high standards? I think not. How about ordinary people? Those who make the difficult tasks of life appear ordinary. Take for example carers who day after day look after their charges with love and consideration, or those who are suffering terminal diseases and who bear their suffering in an uncomplaining way, or those whose families have been wiped out in genocide attacks, or missionaries who have spent their lives apart from families and friends bringing the Good News of the Gospel to others. The list could go on and on with each example appearing more deserving of sainthood than the next. The church commemorates 'Ordinary Saints' on 1st November each year and it is on this day that those who live their lives extraordinary well are remembered. Hopefully, one day with God's help, we will be commemorated on this day – after all, we all aspire to be saints.

Tom Murray

Thought for Today

Building our families is much like constructing a building in that you need a solid foundation in order to build a worthy structure. There are many things we might name that help build the foundation such as love, and essentials including food, clothing and shelter. Some quality time and holidays may help, too. But the main ingredient, indeed, the cornerstone, is Jesus. Not much else we offer our children will impact their lives as much as the religious foundation we provide. The most important time to remember this valuable lesson is when we feel least like living it ourselves--maybe on Sunday morning when we're too tired to go to mass, or when we get irritated with a neighbour or another driver. We want a solid foundation for our children and need to work continually on building up our family.

PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL

Priest

As we gather in prayer on this special anniversary, let us pray for our needs and the needs of the universal church.

Reader

For the Christians of Rome and their bishop, Pope John Paul, that the Church of Rome may continue to follow in the footsteps of Peter, its first bishop.

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

For our diocese of Cork & Ross and our bishop John, that all the Christians of this place may stay in close communion with the Christians of Rome.

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

For those who build and design churches, and re-order them, that their work may give glory to God and may give Christians a house fit for worship.

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

For people who feel they are on the margins of life, that the welcome they receive in their church may remind them that they are indeed part of a community.

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

For prisoners and their families, that the support of their neighbours and friends may show them that God has not forgotten them.

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

For people who died in jail and for all the dead, that having passed through the waters of baptism, they may share Christ's victory over death.

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

Priest

God of heaven and earth, you reward those with clean hands and pure hearts: in our unworthiness we bring our prayers to you, through Christ our Lord.

The waters of a river give joy to God's city, the holy place where the Most High dwells.

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BAPTISMS

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

Gillian Ruth White, Clash Cross, Carrigrohane.
 Jodi Marie O'Mahony, 16 Island Way, Muskerry Estate.
 Adam John Karl O'Callaghan, 61 Woodberry, Greenfields.
 Eric John Delaney, 60 Willowfield.

MARRIAGES

CONGRATULATIONS TO:

Jason Cahill, 25 Westcourt Heights & Louise Donnelly, Tullersarren, Armagh.

† **IN SYMPATHY** †

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

John & Una Murphy, Avondale Park, Ballintemple.
 Betty Ryan, Wexford.
 Kitty Murphy, Kilmichael.
 Anna Denny, Clonmel.

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

Dan McSweeney, Inniscarra.
 Nora Burns, Carrigrohane.
 Ellen Murphy.
 Tom McGrath.
 Richard Hourigan, Limerick.
 Frank Devaney.
 John & Hannah O'Connor, Dingle
 May O'Regan, Poulavone.
 Nora & Michael Keating.
 Patrick, John & Noel O'Mahony.
 John & Bertha Moriarty.
 John Keating.
 Denis Moran.
 Lucey & John Henley.
 Mary Herlihy.
 Phil Jordan.
 Joan and Tom Murphy.
 Mary O'Keefe, Green Street.
 Edward Hogan, Ballinlough.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

THIRTY SECOND WEEK IN ORDINARY TIME

09 Sunday Ez. 47:1-2, 8-9, 12, Ps. 45. 1 Cor.3:9-11,16-17. In. 2:13-22. Lect II: 1250 or Lect I:1006
 10 Monday Wis. 1: 1-7. Ps. 138. Lk. 17: 1-6. Lect II:412
 11 Tuesday Wis. 2:23-3:9. Ps. 33. Lk. 17:7-10. Lect II:414
 12 Wednesday Wis. 6:1-11. Ps. 81. Lk. 17:11-19. Lect II:416
 13 Thursday Wis. 7:22-8: 1. Ps. 118. Lk. 17:20-25. Lect II:478
 14 Friday Wis. 13: 1-9. Ps. 18. Lk. 17:26-37. Lect II:420
 15 Saturday Wis. 18: 14-16, 19:6-9. Ps. 104. Lk. 18: 1-8. Lect II:422

Advent Lecture

Fr. E. Gould will give us an overview of the Advent Readings in the Community Centre at 8.00 pm on Tuesday 11th November. He will focus on the link between the Old and New Testament Readings with particular emphasis on the readings for Advent. All welcome. New readers are welcome to join the Christ Our Light group. There will be a short informal meeting of this group immediately after the talk

Ballincollig Secular Franciscan Order

The Monthly Mass and Meeting will be held on Thursday 13th November at 11.00 am in St. Mary and St. John's Church.
 Rosary will be recited at 10.40 am sharp.
 A meeting of the Council will take place after the mass.

Part Time Course

Are you interested in up-dating your skills to return to the workplace?
 Would you like to learn about computers?
 Places still remaining on part-time morning course (Wednesday – Friday)
 For further details contact St. Johns Central College at (021) 4276410

HOLY SOULS NOVENA

Concludes on Monday November 10th with Mass at 6.30 pm. in Christ Our Light and Candle Mass at 8 pm. in St. Mary & St. John.

Before Jesus says 'Go' in the Gospels, he says 'Come'



THE ARTHRITIS FOUNDATION OF IRELAND

2003 Arthritis Foundation Of Ireland Lecture Series
 'Diagnosis And Treatment of Rheumatoid Arthritis'

Speaker: Dr. Brian Mulcahy, Consultant Physician

Rheumatologist, Shanakiel, Cork
 Date: Tuesday 18th November 2003
 Venue: The Kingsley Hotel, Victoria Cross, Cork
 Time: 8.00 pm
 Admission Free – All Are Welcome

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THE SUNDAY READINGS

First Reading: Ezekiel 47:1-2,8-9.12
 For the King of Israel, Solomon, the temple was a place of God's presence, a place where he would dwell. So it is today.

Second Reading: Cor. 3:9-11. 16-17
 The universal Church is a new temple in Christ. God's people are where God is dwelling.

Gospel: John 2:13-22
 It is not clear what precipitated Jesus' reaction at the temple. In what would appear to be a fit of anger, Jesus used a whip to drive out the animals, and overturned tables sending coins, people, and animals scurrying in all directions. The people took Jesus' words literally and because of their immature faith, they were looking for signs. That is why in this Gospel where Jesus says he will destroy the temple but raise it back up in three days, people were dumbfounded. The temple had been under construction for over forty years and was still not complete. It is no wonder when they heard that Jesus would raise it up in three days, that they could not comprehend his meaning. They lacked the faith to understand that Jesus referred to the raising of his own body in three days, a temple they did not recognise.



SAINT OF THE WEEK

St. Laurence O'Toole 14-November-2003
 For many centuries, until the canonisation of Oliver Plunkett, Laurence O'Toole was the only Irish Saint who had been officially canonised. Descended from two ancient Irish families, the O'Tooles and O'Byrnes, Laurence was born in Co. Kildare about 1128, A.D. As a boy he entered the monastic school of Glendalough where he studied for thirteen years in that beautiful lakeside sanctuary. So great was his reputation for holiness and learning that he was unanimously chosen as Abbot of Glendalough. Six years later he was chosen as Archbishop of Dublin.

Up to then Dublin was a Scandinavian city with an Archbishop chosen from among the settlers and under obedience to the See of Canterbury. The appointment of a native born Irishman who was consecrated by the Archbishop of Armagh marked the emancipation of the Dublin Catholics from foreign rule.

The new archbishop soon set himself to numerous reforms of the Church and the foundation of monasteries. He negotiated the Treaty of Windsor with King Henry II of England securing good terms for the Irish from the new Lord of Ireland.

In his personal life St. Laurence followed the strictest observance of rules and wore a hair shirt beneath his Episcopal dress. Seeking better terms for the Irish he went to England to meet the King and followed him to Normandy. Here he was taken ill at the Abbey of Eu where he died on November 14, 1180.

ANNUAL CEMETERY MASSES

St. Oliver's

Will take place on Saturday 15th November 2003 at 2 pm

St. Mary & St. John's (adjoining cemetery)

Will take place on Saturday 22nd November 2003 at 2 pm

The Ten Commandments

You Shall Not Commit Adultery

Have I engaged in sexual activity outside of marriage? Have I given my mind over to lustful thoughts or fantasies? Have I read pornography or watched indecent movies or television shows? In conversation, have I told or enjoyed lewd or obscene jokes and stories?

(Next week a reflection on the seventh commandment)

Baby Alert

2,300 Babies poisoned in Irish homes last year.

Startling but true - the bathroom is especially dangerous; it usually contains **medicines, drugs, and other potential poisons.**

1. Keep all medicines and drugs in a locked cabinet out of your baby's reach. **Aspirin is one of the most common causes of childhood poisoning.** Be careful to return all medicines to the cabinet after you use them.
2. A baby will find the waste bin full of interesting things. Be aware of what you throw away and put pills, razor blades, etc. in a special waste bin that is out of baby's reach.
3. Cleaning products and all other toxic substances should be stored in a high cupboard with a lock or safety latch.

**The Annual Diocesan Collection for the
 Cork Marriage Counselling Centre**

will take place on November 22nd & 23rd

CMCC is a service of Cork & Ross Social Services Ltd., and supported through grant aid from the Department of Social & Family Affairs and the Diocesan Collection.

CMCC provides services that encourage couples in new marriages, counsel couples in distressed marriages, support couples in broken marriages and enable couples in healthy marriages.

If you would be interested in any of the following courses please contact the centre @ 0214275678

- Maintaining a Christian Marriage
- Parents in Marital Breakdown
- Marriage Enrichment
- Marital Separation Adjustment
- Marriage Health Check

Ballincollig Parish Pastoral Council

The 42nd meeting of the council will be held in the Community Centre, on Monday November 17th at 7.45 pm

*You are writing a Gospel,
 A chapter each day,
 By the deeds that you do
 And the words that you say.*

MINISTERS OF THE WORD

Nov-15 & Nov-16-2003

St. Mary & St. John

Christ Our Light

6:00 pm (Vigil)
Sandra Walsh
8:30 am
Annette Collins
10:00 am
Dave Murphy
12:00 Noon
Tony Hegarty

8:00 pm (Vigil)
Pauline Collins
11:00 am
Margaret Healy
12:30 pm
Marlyn O'Connor
5:30 pm
Christine O'Brien

MASS TIMES

St. Mary & St. John

Christ Our Light

8:30am, 10am & 12 noon	Sunday	11am, 12:30pm & 5:30pm
9:30 am & 8 pm	Monday	8:30 am & 6:30 pm
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	9:00 am & 8 pm (Vigil)

CONFESSIONS

After 10:00 am Mass & before 6:00 pm Mass **Saturday** After 9:00 am Mass

BAPTISMS

5:00 pm **Saturday** 7:15 pm
12:45 pm **Sunday**

MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST

Nov-15 & Nov-16-2003

St. Mary & St. John

Christ Our Light

6.00 pm Vera Allen
Ber Bell
Oliver Delaney
Betty Casey
Frank Riordan
Siobhan Riordan

8:30 am Mary Buckley
Theresa Lucey

10:00 am Anne Cahill
Pat Lee
May Delaney
Seamus O'Shea
John O'Donovan

12 Noon Joan Barrett
Sheila Carroll
Marsie Curling
Will Casey
Geraldine Graham

8:00 pm Geraldine Lynch
Charlie Vaughan
Joan Stephenson

11:00 am Marie Ui Chrualaof
Neil Jeffers
Eileen O'Donoghue
Mary Coleman
Dan Coleman

12:30 pm Con O'Connell
Denis O' Mahony
Christine O'Mahony
Tom Murray
Maura Lombard

5:30 pm Patsy Galvin
Margaret Murphy
Phil O'Donnell

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Fr. Michael O'Mahony C.C. 021-4877161
Fr. Paul O'Donoghue 021-4876055
Fr. John O'Donovan C.C. 021-4870434

Are YOU Seeking Healing, Peace, Happiness In Your Life?

Emmaus Men's Fellowship Cork
Invites you to a weekend of
Searching, Prayer, Healing and Celebration
at The Sacred Heart Hall, Western Road, Cork
Saturday 15th November from 10.30 am to 6.00 pm
Sunday 16th November from 10.30 am to 6.00 pm
Theme: "The Law of the Lord is my Strength"
Speaker: Fr. Thaddeus Doyle (of The Curate's Diary)
Coffee and Tea provided



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