THE BALLINCOLLIG PARISHIONER



St. Mary & St. John Station Road

Sunday 18-October-2009

Twenty Ninth Sunday In Ordinary Time

By its nature, the Church is missionary. Christ sent her to let her light shine to the whole human race. We cannot leave this task to the professionals. The prophets and the apostles were ordinary lay people when chosen to speak and act in God's name. As the result of our baptism, each of us has a duty to work for the missions in our own special way and in our own particular place.

Mass For The Spread Of The Gospel - THEME: Make His Face Shine



Christ Our Light Innishmore

Mission Sunday

As we pray for Fr Michael Sinnott, the Co Wexford missionary priest kidnapped in the Philippians last Sunday, we are conscious that this is Mission Sunday, when we are asked to give spiritual and material support to churches in mission countries. In its preferential option for the poor the Church works among the poorest people and, as we have often seen, in dangerous circumstances. The great tradition of missionary activity in the Irish church continues today as 1,976 Irish missionaries help young churches in many parts of the third world.

Just as Jesus experienced opposition and suffering in his mission, so the missionary church experiences opposition and suffering. Paul and Barnabas were among the first ever "foreign missionaries" and in the reading from the Acts of the Apostles, we see them speak out boldly against the opposition they were experiencing in Antioch in Pisidia. The first reading for the twenty ninth Sunday of the Year is from the fourth song of the servant in Isaiah, the song of the suffering servant who gives his life in atonement and takes the faults of many on himself. This is echoed in the Gospel reading as Jesus says the Son of Man came to serve and give his life as a ransom for many.

Over eight hundred Irish missionaries have died overseas in the last hundred years. Many have suffered violence and forty nine have died violently. They have faithfully followed their Lord in his mission, his service and his suffering. Jesus tells us that he came not to be served, but to serve, he is the Servant King. We share that kingship by virtue of our baptism, and we too are called to serve others. And we share in his mission as we allow our own faith to be deepened and as we spread the light of Christ by example, by the witness of a Christian life. The kingdom of God is built up as ordinary things and actions are made holy by ordinary people. We share in Christ's mission as we help our missionaries by encouragement, by prayer and by material support. And as we thank God for the life giving gift of our faith, we are anxious to share that gift with a world that needs it so badly, both at home and abroad

Billy O'Sullivan

Ballincollig Parish Council

Nominations are invited from Parishioners for membership to the Ballincollig Parish Council. The Council meets 5/6 times a year. The Council Members deal with a wide range of activities in the parish. They discuss the needs of the parish faith communities as well as dealing with ongoing parish liturgies and various programmes. Volunteers are also welcome.

Nomination forms are available in both churches; please note closing date is 31st October 2009.

PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL

Priest

That Christians at home and abroad may reach out to those hungry for God.

Reader

That missionaries may be strengthened in their reaching out by our prayers and sacrifice.

Lord, Hear us, Lord, graciously hear us.

That many may generously respond to the call to be missionaries.

Lord, Hear us, Lord, graciously hear us.

That the Holy Spirit may draw people of other religions to dialogue with minds and hearts open to the light of the gospel.

Lord, Hear us, Lord, graciously hear us.

That those amongst us from other nations may experience the gospel in action.

Lord, Hear us, Lord, graciously hear us.

For our own needs...

Lord, Hear us,

Lord, graciously hear us.

That missionaries who have died may have the reward of their labours, along with the people of this community who have died.

Lord, Hear us, Lord, graciously hear us.

Priest

Father, you desire all people to be saved. Hear the prayers we offer with all our hearts. We ask this through Christ our Lord.

Amen.

May your love be upon us, O Lord, as we place all our hope in you.

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BAPTISMS

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

Cian Peter Browne, Parknamore Heights.

Niamh Stefanie Corcoran, Oaklands.

Dearbhla Cathy Lynch, Ballyburden, Waterfall.

Keegan Taylor Spillett, Leecourt.

Claire Isobella Woodhouse, Westcourt.

Abigail Nicola Breen, Chestnut Grove, Classes Lake.

Roisin Gretta Barry, Old Court, Greenfields.

Oliver Tass, The Brambles, Classes Lake.

Darragh Joseph Woods, Willowgrove, Coolroe Heights.

Danielle Louise Flanagan-Browne, Innishmore Drive.

Cian Thomas Rogers, Greystones.

Rachel Freeda Lacheiner, The Heathers, Classes Lake.

Daithi Conor Murphy, Old Court, Greenfields.

Connor James Pert, Park Rd, Muskerry Estate.

† IN SYMPATHY †

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

Barry Walsh, Castleknock, Dublin.

John Horgan, Douglas.

Michael O'Donovan, U.S.A.

Sonny Sheehan, Ballyphehane.

Marie O'Callaghan, Castlepark.

Michelle McGoveran, Douglas.

Teresa Canning, Church View.

Denis Kidney, Ballyphehane.

Sile Kelly, Toames, Macroom.

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

Con Murphy, Healy's Bridge.

Jerry O'Leary, Knockburden.

Mary Teresa Kelleher, Inniscarra.

Denis Callanan, The Court.

George Osborne, Blarney.

Jim Kavanagh, Powdermills.

Matthew & Mary Brennan.

Joseph Walsh, Ballyphehane.

Jack Foley, Waterfall.

Mary Greene Dwyer, Cranford Pines.

Nicholas Tarrent, Inniscarra View, & Millstreet.

Catherine Aherne, Capwell.

Alan Daly, Castlepark.

Rita Cullinane, Ballyphehane.

Tim & Nora Maverley, Quaker Road.

Mary O'Regan, Carriganarra.

Joan O'Keeffe, Bantry.

Lill O'Mahony, Bandon.

Gertie & Michael Riordan, Glasheen Road.

Deceased Members of the Ring Family, Blarney Road.

Jerry O'Keeffe, Newmarket.

Mary Dunne, Blarney.

Rita Fouhy, East Gate.

Ballinora /Waterfall Garden and Lifestyle Club

Meeting on Monday 19th of October at 8 pm in The Scout Den. Brian Perrott of West Cork Daffodils will speak on Bulbs.

Table Quiz in aid of Cork Simon Community.

Table Quiz in aid of Cork Simon Community will be held in NEMO GAA Club on Friday the 30th of October at 8pm. Tables of 4 at €40 per table. For more information call Nora on 021 4929410 or email nora@corksimoncommunity.ie

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Twenty Ninth Week In Ordinary Time

18 Sunday Is 53:10-11. Ps 32. Lect I: 814. Acts 13:46-49. Lect I: 1016. Mk. 10:42-45. Lect I: 816

19 Monday Rom. 4:20-25. Ps. Lk. 1: 69- 75. Lk. 12: 13-21. Lect II: 376

 $20 \; \text{Tuesday Rom. } 5:12,15,11\text{-}19. \; \text{Ps. } 39. \; \text{Lk. } 12:35\text{-}38. \; \text{Lect II:} 378$

21 Wednesday Rom. 6:12-18. Ps. 123. Lk. 12:39-48. Lect II: 380

22 Thursday Rom. 6:19-23. Ps. 1. Lk. 12:49-53. Lect II: 382

23 Friday Rom. 7:18-25. Ps. 118. Lk. 12:54-59. Lect II: 384

24 Saturday Rom. 8:1-11. Ps. 23. Lk. 13:1-9. Lect II: 386

Next Sunday's Readings 25-October-2009 Jer 31:7-9. Ps 125. Heb 5:1-6. Mk 10:46-52. Lect I: 817

History Society

The Muskerry Local History Society in Ballincollig will be represented at a major exhibition celebrating Cork's past at the City Hall on Tuesday October 20th. The Society, together with the Ballincollig Heritage Association, is among close on 40 heritage groups and societies that will have stands at the event. Details of the exhibition will be announced at a press launch by Lord Mayor Councillor Dara Murphy at Cork City Hall next Tuesday.

The Ballincollig Annual Drama Festival

Takes place this year on the 21st, 22nd and 23rd of October in the Ballincollig Community Hall, Station Road @ 8 pm.

There is a Cheese and wine reception on the 21st at 7 pm.

Ballincollig is represented by the Pike Theatre Group who are putting on 2 plays this year for judging, "The Ferret" and "Panic at Nutgrove Place", both of which were a great success at the Briery Gap in Macroom recently.

Judging for the Drama festival will take place on the Friday night 23rd after the shows. Tickets available on the night!! "

Calling all Tenors and Basses!

Cantairi Mhuscrai, Ballincollig's local choir, is looking for bass and tenor singers to join them for their coming season. One highlight of their programme for 2009-2010 is a visit to the Royal Albert Hall next May to take part in a massed choral performance of Vivaldi's *Gloria*, a wonderfully uplifting work. The choir's musical director, Mary O'Brien will be teaching a varied repertoire of music to appeal to all tastes. The choir meets every Wednesday at Ballincollig Community School from 7.30-9.30 pm. For further information, please contact the Chair, Marjorie Boyd on 4875847.

Missionaries of the Sacred Heart

As part of Mission Alive 2009 Niamh Brennan, Kimmage Institute will deliver a public lecture on "The Role of Faith in Development Countries" in the MSC Centre, Sacred Heart Church, Western Road on Wed. 21st Oct at 7.30 pm. All are welcome.

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THE SUNDAY READINGS

First Reading: Isaiah 53:10-11

In today's reading, we hear how the Messiah will give His life as an offering for sin; His suffering will bring people to God.

Second Reading: Acts 13:14-49

People will come from the east and west, north and south to feast in God's kingdom. Paul and Barnabas preached to the Jews with little success. It was time to reach out and bring the light of the Gospel to other nations. Missionaries continue this reaching out to the ends of the earth. The widespread enthusiasm of the new pagan believers for the Gospel is repeated today in many mission lands.

Gospel: Mark 10:42-45

We can often recognise those who are considered great in the world by the number of people they have serving and protecting them. Jesus teaches his disciples that it cannot be like that with them. He has come not to be served but to serve others, especially the poor and those who need healing. His greatness is seen most clearly in his laying down his life for others.

Scout News

Over the summer months the scouts went on camp and also took part in the Phoenix Challenge, which is the All Ireland Scout Comptation. We will have a full report on camp next week. The Phoenix was held in Mount Melleray Scout Centre, the weather been so bad they had to move the standing camp 10k away on the other side of Cappoquin. This was the second year that they had 8 on the standing camp and 4 on the Mountains.

The event got under way on the Thursday morning when all of the patrol started putting up the site. The Expedition team went off in the afternoon to hike to Glenshelane Campsite where they would be based for the next two days. The programme for the following two days was rich and varied. The standing camp patrol had sub camp Olympics on Thursday night followed by sub- camp campfires which this year included a patrol Haka . Friday and Saturday saw the patrol rotate four bases, pioneering, Scouting survival, Rafting and scout skills. Friday evening saw the patrol take part in a series of environmental projects. Meanwhile the expedition part of the patrol had, hike preparation and a campfire in Glenshelane on Thursday night. On Friday they spent the day hiking in the Knockmealdown's. Along the way they had a series of challenges. On Saturday they had a more Bases in the Glen. They were then reunited with the rest of the patrol after which there was the main Campfire. Sundays morning's programme was curtailed as bad weather moved in overnight. Once all the hard work was completed the closing ceremony took place in Mount Melleray Scout Centre where Ballincollig archived Silver.

We Scouters judge ourselves by what we feel capable of doing, while others judge us by what we have already done.

Silver Jubilee Christ Our Light Church Request for Photos / Mementos

On 22nd November we celebrate the Silver Jubilee of Christ our Light Church. We are presently looking for any mementos / photographs of the opening of the Church in 1984 so as to put them on display at the Church in November. If you have any memorabilia of this occasion which you would like to donate or loan, we would be very grateful if you'd please hand them in to the Parish Office as soon as possible. Thank you!

Writings of St Paul

Talk 6 in our series on the writings of St Paul will be held in the St Mark Centre this week as follows.

	Monday 7.30 pm	Wednesday 10.00 am	Thursday 7.30 pm
Talk 6	19th October	21st October	22nd October

Bulletin Board

Baptism Preparation

The next Baptism preparation will take place Saturday 31st October, 2009 at 1.00 pm in the Library Room, Community Hall, Station Road. The presentation lasts for approximately forty minutes. The following questions are addressed, What is Baptism? What are the symbols used in the Sacrament of Baptism? How can the family become involved in the ceremony? Parents might book the baptism a few weeks in advance to give ample time to take part in the preparation.

Novena for the Dead – November 2nd to 10th, 2009

November is a month dedicated to our dead relatives and friends. It is the time of year when we are asked to pray for our dead and thank God for their efforts and goodness to us. Christ's prayer to his Father is "I want those you have given me to be with me where I am, so that they may always see the glory you have given me."

We encourage everyone to make a special effort to come to daily Mass during the Novena for the Dead and maybe even keep up the effort for the month of November.

Envelopes are available in both Churches

There will be two evening Masses (morning Masses as usual) during the Novena- 6.30 pm Christ Our Light and 8 pm St Mary & St John.

Special Mass

There will be a Special Mass to remember all our loved ones who died during the past year on *November 11th at 8.00 pm in St Mary & St John.* All those who died from the Parish will be remembered at this Mass. Families who wish to have deceased family members (who died during the past twelve months) included in this Mass are invited to hand in their names to the Sacristy or Parish Office during the week and please include a contact name and an address.

Envelope

Mission Sunday Collection for the Propagation of the Faith will be taken up at all Masses this weekend the 17th and 18th October, 2009

Parking

Parking spaces for the disabled are available in both churches. Other drivers please respect these spaces and leave them to people who need them.

Annual Graveyard Masses

Mass in St Oliver's Cemetery Saturday 14th November at 2 pm Mass in St Mary & St John's Cemetery Saturday 21st November at 2 pm

Autumn Dues

Envelopes are currently being distributed to homes throughout the parish of Ballincollig, contribution of the dues is for the support of the priests of the parish. Please return it by placing it in the basket at Mass. Should your home be missed spare envelopes are available from the back of the church.

Fr. George.

Are you looking for more from your marriage? A Winning Investment

Whether you have been married one year or forty years, it is possible to recharge the batteries of your marriage. Like everything else in life, marriage goes better if it receives a little care and attention, but, with the pace of modern life, we find it difficult to take time out for our marriage.

We assume things will always be well between us and perhaps they are. It may also mean sweeping things under the carpet and hoping they will go away. But that is settling for good when we have the opportunity to have a great marriage.

Marriage Encounter runs weekend events for couples that really deliver the goods. The next weekend will take place in the Lake Hotel Killarney on the 13th – 15th November '09. You could find out more by looking at their website www.marriageencounter.ie, or by contacting 064 6644319, 086 8334382 087 6670418. If you have the wisdom to invest in your most important relationship it will provide an excellent return.

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MINISTERS OF THE WORD

Oct-24 & Oct-25-2009

St. Mary & St. John

Christ Our Light

6:00 pm (Vigil) Brendan Collins Michael Collins 8:30 am Triona Collins 10:00 am Grace Buttimer Orla Horgan 12:00 Noon Tomas Miller Niall Hartnett

7:30 pm (Vigil) Rebecca Feely Jessica Lingard 11:00 am Aisling O'Leary Amy McCarthy 12:30 pm Cathy Naughton Una Lynch 5:30 pm Christine O'Brien



MINISTERS OF THE **EUCHARIST**

Oct-24 & Oct-25-2009

7:30 pm

12:30 pm

St. Mary & St. John

Christ Our Light

6.00 pm	Eileen Murphy Ted Nelligan Angela Murphy Ann O'Connell Sheila Walshe
	Ann McCarthy
8:30 am	Helen Kelly Mary O'Connor Michael Crowley
10:00 am	Miriam Maunsell Mary Buckley

Breda Ring Mary O'Regan John Henchy Martin O'Leary Ann-Marie Cosgrove

12 Noon Pat Kelleher Phil Kennedy Ellen O'Sullivan Ursala McAuliffe Sally Crowley

11:00 am Mary O'Mahony Mona Bowen Billy Barry Mary Aylward Pauline Baston

> Mary Twomey Maura O'Driscoll Mary Lehane Dympna Byrne Suzanne Leetch

5:30 pm Shelia Curran Elizabeth O'Sullivan

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		First Saturday of Month
Month		

12:45 pm Sunday

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