THE BALLINCOLLIG PARISHIONER





gentle guidance.

SUNDAY WITHIN WEEK OF PRAYER FOR CHRISTIAN UNITY Jesus came as the Servant of God to serve the deepest needs of people. He offered his life to remove the tragedy of sin from human life and so restore us to peace with God, and each other.

NEW STYLE MISSIONARIES

Last week, Mary and Brendan Daly, of Rosewood Estate, left Ireland to take up missionary duties in South Korea. Brendan will take up a teaching position while both will dedicate their free time to spreading the Faith in that far off country.

Mary and Brendan were both extremely active parishioners in Ballincollig, serving as Ministers of the Word and of the Eucharist as well as being active members of the local Neocatechumenal community. Brendan taught in St. Finbarr's College, Farranferris, for many years, subsequently taking up the post of Principal of the Community School in Castletownbere. This he later exchanged for a teaching position in Bandon in order to be nearer the Neocathecumenal Group. Brendan served on the Parish Council for three years and was elected chairperson at the inaugural meeting of the third Council last September. We will all miss his wise and

Time was when every parish in Ireland was represented on the Foreign Missions by some men or women who had gone to work abroad as priests or Religious. With the fall in vocations to the religious life over recent decades this situation has changed. However, with the advent of the lay Catholic Missionary a new link is being established with fellow Catholic communities in far away places. Ballincollig has another family, the Deasys, working on the missions in Taiwan to which Far Eastern country they transported their large young family.

Other Christian churches, especially in the United States, have been sending out married couples and their families on foreign missions for centuries. They have been very effective in bringing the word of God to pagan lands. With the active involvement of lay people in the Catholic Church at home it is only logical that some enthusiastic families should take the brave step of becoming personally involved in the Missions. What better witness could be given to the Faith in Christ than to show unbelievers the example of Christian values lived out in a family setting!

Our good wishes go with Mary and Brendan in their courageous undertaking. Please keep them in your prayers, especially during the coming months during which they will have to adapt to a strange culture, climate and language in the Far East.

Leonard O'Brien.

PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL

PRIEST:

Let us raise our prayers to God, who stoops down to hear us.

READER:

For unity among Christians, we pray.

Lord, Hear us,

Lord, graciously hear us.

For those preparing for baptism, confirmation or First Communion,we pray. Lord, Hear us,

Lord, graciously hear us.

For all who suffer because of war or famine, we pray. Lord, Hear us,

Lord, graciously hear us.

For those who are ill, at home or in hospital,we pray.
Lord, Hear us.

Lord, graciously hear us.

For our people who have died we pray.

Lord, Hear us,

Lord, graciously hear us.

For our own needs,we pray. Lord, Hear us,

Lord, graciously hear us.

PRIEST

Lord our God, we proclaim your justice and mercy; hear the prayers we make, through Christ our Lord.

Amen.

THOUGHT FOR TODAY

BEHOLD THE LAMB OF GOD (GOSPEL)

An unblemished lamb was killed and eaten on the feast of Passover. Christ, our Paschal Lamb has been sacrificed (I Cor 5:7) and he gave himself to his disciples as food and drink. But Jesus the Lamb who was slain is worthy to receive power and wealth and wisdom and might and honour and glory and blessing.

Here I am, Lord! I come to do your will.

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BAPTISMS

WE WELCOME TO OUR COMMUNITY ALL THOSE WHO WERE BAPTISED RECENTLY: Ciara Elizabeth O'Sullivan, 30 Holly Rd., Muskerry Est Tara Louise Healy, 73 Fernwalk

Niamh Áine O' Brien, 55 The Meadows, Classis Lake

IN SYMPATHY

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE FAMILY AND FRIENDS OF: Michael O' Mahoney, Dublin & Whitethorn Ave

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE REPOSE OF THE SOULS OF

Billy Denieffe, Curraheen Jack Vaughan, Newmarket Michael O'Connell, Ballingulley David & Catherine O'Carroll, Barrack St. Helen Lynch, Innishannon Jerry O'Sullivan, Glasheen Rd. Timothy Cagney, Gardners Hill Thomas Cotter, Passage West Bridget & Michael O'Regan, Carrigarra Eileen O'Connor, Kanturk John Murray, Pouladuff Rd. The O' Regan Family, Carriganarra Daniel Burke, Whitechurch Martin & Josie Murphy, Rockchapel The Murphy Family, Co. Mayo Molly O' Connell, Maglin Jer & Mary Buttimer, Kilmichael John & Catherine McKechnie, Tower, Blarney Hannah & Jeremiah McCarthy, Kerry Pike James O'Donovan, Union Hall Mary Ellen O'Donovan, Union Hall Pat & John Sheehan, Coachford Willie Buckley, West Village Ellen Buckley, Baker's Rd. Sean Crowley, Poulavone Nora Carroll, Millstreet Margaret O'Keeffe, Killeens Patrick O'Riordan, Ballingeary

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JANUARY 2002

20 Sunday

Is. 49:3, 5-6. Ps. 39. 1 Cor. 1:1-3. Jn. 1:29-34.

Lect I: 641

At the beginning of this new century, our steps must quicken as we travel the highways of the world. Many are the paths on which each one of us and each of our Churches must travel, but there is no distance between those who are united in the same communion, the communion which is daily nourished at the table of the Eucharistic Bread and the Word of Life. Every Sunday, the Risen Christ asks us to meet him as it were once more in the Upper Room where, on the evening of "the first day of the week" (Jn 20:19) he appeared to his disciples in order to "breathe" on them his life-giving Spirit and launch them on the great adventure of proclaiming the Gospel. Novo Millennia Ineunte. Pope John Paul II. 2001

21 Monday 1 Sam. 15:16-23. Ps. 49. Mk. 2:18-22.

Lect II: 470

Saul is failing as king because he does not act with authority. He allows the people to male decisions even though he knows they are not according to God's plan. Obedience, he is told, is better than sacrifice.

22 Tuesday 1 Sam. 16:1 -13. Ps. 88. Mk. 2:23-28.

Lect II: 472

The Sabbath was to give freedom to all. The Christian Sunday is a day of joy and celebration of the freedom given by the Risen Christ. It unites all Christians in its observance.

23 Wednesday 1 Sam. 17:32-51. Ps. 143. Mk. 3:1-6.

Lect II:475

In the work for Christian unity it is necessary not to lose confidence in God, who can work through weak human instruments.

24 Thursday 1 Sam. 18:6-9, 19:1 -7. Ps. 55. Mk. 3:7-12.

Lect II:477

Jonathan brings a reconciliation between David and Saul. Jesus brings healing to many afflicted.

SAINTS THIS WEEK

21st - St Agnes, wealthy and beautiful, was martyred for her virginity in the last persecutions in Rome, in the early 4th century. Patron of betrothed couples, gardeners and young girls.

22nd - Saint Vincent d.304, deacon of the church of Saragossa, Spain, martyred in Valencia after prolonged torture.

24th - Saint Francis de Sales, 1567-1622, bishop of Geneva, founder of the Visitation Sisters. He worked with gentleness and love to rebuild the Catholic faith after the Reformation. Patron saint of writers, editors and journalists.

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REHAB FOUNDATION

REHAB WALKS: - TO-SANTIAGO DE COMPOSTELA (JUNE)

AND IN BRAZIL (SEPTEMBER). VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR BOTH

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DETAILS FROM MAUREEN LAWRENCE AT 087-2206679.

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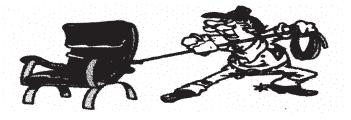
On the 1st, 2nd and 3rd of February, St Patricks Church in Upton
will come alive in the creative hands of flower arrangers.

They will celebrate the Joys of Creation in exhibits based on Biblical themes.

The Festival will be opened at 7.30 pm on Friday 1st Feb by Charlie Wilkins
and will continue on Sat 2nd Feb from 12pm to 9pm
and on Sunday 3rd Feb 12pm to 6pm.

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ST. MARY & ST. JOHN **CHRIST OUR LIGHT EACH SUNDAY** Masses **Masses** ROSARY RECITED AT BOTH CHURCHES **Sunday:** 11.00, 12.30, 5.30pm **Sunday:** 8.30, 10.00, 12.00 **EACH SUNDAY Mon-Fri:** 9.30am **Mon-Fri:** 8.30am. 3.00P.M. **Saturday:** 10.00am, 8.00pm Saturday: 10.00am, 6pm Everyone most welcome (Vigil) (Vigil) SACRISTY SERVICES Confessions Confessions Before and after all Masses Saturday: **Saturday:** after 10am Mass Sundays & Weekdays after 10am Mass before 6pm Mass CHURCH OF ST. MARY & ST. JOHN - Mass Card Signing -**Baptisms Baptisms** Requests for Saturday: 5.00pm Baptism/Marriage Certs, etc. Saturday: 7.15pm **Sunday:** 12.45pm **CHRIST OUR LIGHT** - Mass Card Signing -**PARISH CLERGY**

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The Bible should fill the memory, rule the heart, and guide the feet.

The Bible is meant not to inform, but to transform.

Men do not reject the Bible because it contradicts itself but because it contradicts them.

ST. JOSEPH'S YOUNG PRIESTS SOCIETY

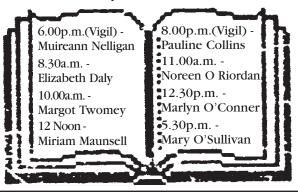
Monthly meeting of the St. Joseph's Young Priests Society will be held in the Community Hall on Monday 21st January at 8p.m.

All members and subscribers welcome

NEXT SUNDAYS READINGS:

Is.8:23-9: 3. Ps. 26. 1 Cor. 1:10-13, 17. Mt. 4:12-23. Lect 1:644

MINISTERS OF THE WORD JAN. 26TH/27TH ST. MARY & ST. JOHN CHRIST OUR LIGHT





MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST 26th /27th January 2002 ST. MARY'S & ST. JOHN'S CHURCH



SATURDAY 26TH 6p.m.
Aisling Kelly
April Ryan
Eileen Murphy
Ted Nelligan
Angela Murphy
Ann O'Connell

SUNDAY 27TH 8.30a.m. Helen Kelly Roddy Martin

10a.m. Miriam Maunsell Mary Buckley Breda Ring Jerry O'Connor

12.00 Noon Louie O'Leary John Walshe Pat Kelleher Irene O'Brien Ellen O'Sullivan Imogen Ryan

CHRIST OUR LIGHT CHURCH

SATURDAY 26TH 8p.m. John O'Donoghue Eleanor O'Donoghue Kathleen Daly SUNDAY 27TH 11a.m. Mary O'Mahony Margaret Brown Rose Cotter Billy Barry Nell Cantillon Murphy 12.30p.m. Mary Twomey Peggy Sheehan Pat Manning Terry O'Driscoll Bernie O'Driscoll

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

WHO SAYS THERE IS NO SUCH THING AS A FREE LUNCH?

Researchers in University College Cork are currently recruiting participants for a large study investigating the changes to food preferences that occur across the life span.

Participants are needed in the following age groups

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BALLINCOLLIG ENTERPRISE BOARD PERSON OF THE YEAR AWARDS 2002

NOMINATION FORM

Name of person being nominated:

Address:-

Reason for nomination:-

Own name:-Address/Tel. No.:

(not for publication)

Anonymous applications will not be considered

Awards will be presented at a Gala Dinner with special guest Mr. Michael Noonan T.D. on Saturday 26th January 2002.

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Categories for Nomination:Sport,
Arts & Culture,
Community,
Employee of the Year,
Business Person of the Year.

BALLINCOLLIG PERSON OF THE YEAR AWARDS 2001

Over the past ten years, the Ballincollig Person of the Year Awards, has honoured the many dedicated individuals and groups within our community that have contributed to the betterment of Ballincollig.

Last year the awards were slightly modified so that the business community would be better represented.

This proved a great success and is continued for this year.

The awards were designed to inspire peoples confidence in our community, to show public appreciation of the contribution made by many business people to the betterment of Ballincollig and to highlight the importance of good service. Ballincollig Enterprise Board supports every effort to market the concept "Ballincollig means Business". Service is the key word in modern business, and this is an opportunity to nurture this.

The categories are open to retail, manufacturing, and service businesses including community businesses such as schools. Nominations may come directly from the business management, other employees and from the general public. The enclosed form may be used but is not essential. (photocopies are allowed).

The Business / businessperson award recognises approaches to business such as; a significant player in the commercial /retail life of Ballincollig; entrepreneurial approach; the quality of service to individuals and to the general community; and the marketing approach, especially where this reflects a positive image of Ballincollig.

The size of a business will not be factor.

The employee award recognises the essential value of a good employee to any business. Criteria for the award includes an employee who; goes the extra mile for the company, and for its customers; is a good timekeeper; is friendly and efficient but not intrusive; is pleasant to work with; and gives positive respect to workmates. We also encourage nominations from individuals and from clubs and societies for the other traditional categories of Community, Sport, and Arts/Culture.

These categories also promote a positive image of Ballincollig and its vibrant community.

The Fine Gael Leader, Mr. Michael Noonan, T.D. will present the certificates and awards before a Gala Dinner at the Blarney Park Hotel on Saturday January 26th, 2001, at 7.30pm sharp.
Tickets at €35, are available from West End Shoes,
(L&N Shopping Centre), and Ballincollig Travel, (The Square).
There is always a strong demand for tickets,
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BALLINCOLLIG BASKETBALL CLUB NOTES AND FIXTURES.

Our Un 13 boys team had two very good wins last weekend, when they played Blue Demons and Midleton on the same day. Their first match on Saturday morning against Demons, was very closely fought, especially in the last quarter when Ballincollig had to pull out all the stops. However with some very accurate shooting, Ballincollig began to increase their lead and took a well-deserved win. Their next game against Midleton on Saturday night was an equally close and fast paced match with the lead changing hands frequently. As in the first game Ballincollig dug deep into the reserves and, tired as they were kept their concentration and took another great win. Our Un 15 men's team had a harder time of it in their game against a very tough

Midleton side. Ballincollig had to fight hard for every basket, but in the end they just managed to take the lead and hold on to it for victory.

None of our ladies teams who played here in Ballincollig last Saturday had any success in their first games after the Christmas break. While they all played with determination and enthusiasim, the Ballincollig girls could not seem to find their pre Christmas form, but no doubt this will return once they get back into full training.

MENS FIXTURES - JANUARY 2002

Saturday 19th Jan- Parochial Hall

- Un.14 Tournament

10 a.m. Ballincollig v Mallow Youth Club 12.00 p.m. Ballincollig v Senan's, Clare 4.00 p.m. Ballincollig v Maree, Galway 6.00 p.m. Ballincollig v Neptune

Saturday 26th Jan- New Hall, Skibbereen

Un-17 8.30 p.m. Skibbereen v Ballincollig

LADIES FIXTURES - JANUARY 2002

Thursday 24th Jan- Parochial Hall

8.30 p.m. Ballincollig v Pandas Sen/Inter

Saturday 26th Jan- B.C.S Ballincollig

3.00 p.m. Ballincollig v Carrigaline Un-12 4.00 p.m. Ballincollig v Carrigaline 2 Un-14 Un-16 5.00 p.m. Ballincollig v Crosshaven 6.00 p.m. Ballincollig v Glanmire 1 Jun 1

Saturday 2nd Feb - Little Island Un.11 Tournament First game 10a.m.

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