THE BALLINCOLLIG PARISHIONER

Sunday 29-June-2003

SAINTS PETER AND PAUL, APOSTLES

Peter the apostle and Paul the teacher of the Gentiles have brought us to know the law of the Lord.



Christ Our Light Innishmore

St. Mary & St. John Station Road

A Move to the Country

Last week we said 'good bye' to our Parish Priest, Fr. Leonard O'Brien, and we welcomed his successor Fr. George O'Mahony.

While diocesan clergy live with the possibility of transfer, it is never the less, a traumatic event for all. We feel that we have just become used to a new Parish Priest when it is time for him to minister to others. It is difficult to believe that Fr. Leonard was with us for more than eleven years.

When he came to Ballincollig, it was hard act to follow. But Fr. Leonard was instrumental in setting up the council gives a voice to the laity in the

When RTE featured our parish with Donnybrook studio, Fr. Leonard was folk group providing the music.

to replace Dr. Carthach McCarthy, a soon put his own stamp on things and Parish Pastoral Council in 1995. The running of the parish.

the celebration of Mass in the the celebrant with our much acclaimed



When the Parishioner was launched, Fr. Leonard not alone supported our efforts, but also wrote many interesting articles, which featured many historical and educational themes. These themes also came through in his weekly homilies.

His continued support and vision now means that we print the Parishioner weekly from our office, over the sacristy, and update our website which was launched in June 2000, it has over 14,000 hits to date.

He oversaw the re-dedication of the Church of St. Mary & St. John in November 1997 and also the refurbishment and new layout of the Church of Christ our Light in 2002.

As well as having to deal with 'ever – changing' transfers of curates, he also saw the appointment of a new 'boss', when John Buckley was installed as Bishop of Cork and Ross in 1998.

Now he has passed the baton to Fr. George and we have no doubt that the people of Ballincollig will give him all the support that he will need in a busy, ever-growing parish. May Fr. George be blessed with a happy and fruitful ministry in Ballincollig.

We wish Fr. Leonard every success and hope that he will be very happy in his new surroundings in Clonakilty.

Many of us have experienced Fr. Leonard's 'quick wit', and his sense of humour has helped us to willingly carry out the various tasks involved in the successful running of the Parish Pastoral Council.

Thank you Leonard for your work in Ballincollig, and may you have an equally fruitful ministry in Clonakilty.

Parish Pastoral Council

Thought for Today

Peter said: You are the Christ, the Son of the living God. Jesus answered: You are Peter, the rock on which I will build my Church.

PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL

Priest

From all our terrors the Lord sets us free, so we pray with confidence.

Reader

For Pope John Paul, the Bishop of Rome - and all those in leadership positions, that their lives may be marked by loving service.

Lord, Hear us, Lord, graciously hear us.

For men and women who, like St Paul, work as missionaries, that they may have his enthusiasm in spreading the Gospel

Lord, Hear us,

Lord, graciously hear us.

For those who feel unworthy of the name of Christian, that remembering the failings of Peter and Paul, they may rely all the more on God's grace.

Lord, Hear us, Lord, graciously hear us.

For all who claim Peter and Paul as their patrons: those named after them -and fishermen, tent-makers and the people of Rome and Malta, that the inspiration of the saints may urge them on.

Lord, Hear us, Lord, graciously hear us.

For the Special Olympics athletes and their families and friends, as the Games finish, that their efforts may leave a legacy of inspiration for those who face difficult challenges.

Lord, Hear us, Lord, graciously hear us.

For all our friends whose lives on earth are over that having fought the good fight, they may receive the crown of righteousness.

Lord, Hear us,

Lord, graciously hear us.

Priest

Almighty God, you called Peter and Paul to be our leaders in faith: Hear the prayers we make on their feast, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

The angel of the Lord rescues those who revere him.

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BAPTISMS

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

Callum Richard O'Leary, 25 Castle Park Jemma Louise Hogan, Powdermills

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

John Joe McCullagh, Beech Road.

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

Margaret & Timothy O'Brien, Banteer

Martin Murphy, Banteer

Miah Murray, Bishopstown

Patrick, Marie, Eleanor & Catherine O'Sullivan, Kealkil

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Jerry O'Sullivan, Ministers Cross

Neil O'Leary, Romford, England

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Maureen Cuddihy, Coolroe

Patrick & Catherine Howard, Ballinlough

Tom & Ellen Scully

Seamus Kearney, Parknamore Rise.

OPEN GARDEN

In aid of St. Mary Church, Innishannon—Renovation Fund

Garden of Alice Taylor Sat. 5th & Sun. 6th July Located behind red house at traffic lights in Innishannon Parking in church grounds.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

THIRTEENTH WEEK IN ORDINARY TIME

29 Sunday Acts 12:1-11. Ps. 33.2 Tim. 4:6-8, 17-18. Mt. 16: 13-19. Lect 1:981 or Lect II: 1082 Saints Peter and Paul

30 Monday Gen 18:16-33 Ps 102. Mt. 8:18-22. Lect ll:163

01 Tuesday Gen. 19: 15-29 Ps. 25 Mt. 8:23-27 Lect II: 165

02 Wednesday Gen. 21: 5,8-20. Ps. 33. Mt. 8:28-34. Lect ll: 167

03 Thursday Eph. 2:19-22. Ps. 116. In. 20:24-29. Lect ll: 1087

04 Friday Gen. 23: 1-4, 19. 24: 1-8, 62-67. Ps. 1 05. Mt .9:9- 13. Lect ll: 172

05 Saturday Gen. 27:1-5,15-29. Ps. 134. Mt. 9:14-17. Lect II: 775

THE APOSTOLATEOF OUR LADY OF FATIMA, CORK MONTHLY DEVOTIONS, MASS AND HOLY HOUR IN REPARATION TO

The Sacred Heart of Jesus and The Immaculate Heart of Mary ST. MARIES OF THE ISLE CHAPEL

Date: Monday 30th June 2003 **Time:** 7.30 p.m.

Conducted by:

Rev. John Power O.S.A New Ross

All Welcome

"IN THE END MY IMMACULATE HEART WILL TRIUMPH" [OUR LADY OF FATIMA]

SUMMER 2003

THE BALLINCOLLIG PARISHIONER

The publication of the Ballincollig
Parishioner will resume after the summer
break on Sunday 7th September 2003.
All contributions and notices should be
handed into the Sacristy of St. Mary & St.
John's Church by Tuesday 2nd September
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THE SUNDAY READINGS

First Reading - Acts 12: 1-11

The first part of today's first reading reminds us that right from its early days the Church did not have a smooth sailing, things were difficult and the church suffered persecution. King Herod had James the brother of John beheaded and then arrested Peter and put him in prison. We sometimes tend to believe that since we are doing God's work, God should make things easy for us and yet in the history of the Church we see that discipleship necessarily implies the cross. If we are not ready to accept the crosses along the way of life we cannot really follow in his footsteps.

Second Reading - 2 Timothy 4: 6-8, 17-18

In the second reading from the letter of Paul to Timothy, Paul describes his vision of what it means to follow Jesus in life and in death. He is clear in his vision and thinking and knows that following Jesus demands that his life has to be lived not for himself but for others. As he nears his end he knows what is coming and is prepared not because of his own power and strength but because he believes in the mercy and power of the Lord Jesus Christ. "I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race. I have kept the faith. From now on there is reserved for me the crown of glory...not only for me but for all who longed for his coming." Paul was very much aware of his own frailty, while at the same time fully aware of the presence of the Lord in his life. "The Lord stood by me and gave me strength. To him be glory for ever..."

Gospel Reading - Matthew 16: 13-19

Today's gospel centre's on Peter's confession of faith. Peter had been chosen to lead the apostles so it was fitting that he should be the first to proclaim his faith in the Lord. What was important to Peter was not his failings and weaknesses but rather his faith in the Lord Jesus. Faith was not his acquisition but rather a gift given to him and hence he could openly confess and proclaim the Lord Jesus. When Jesus asked: "Who do you say that I am?" He did not hesitate to answer on behalf of others, "You are the Christ, the son of the living God." Upon Peter's confession Jesus made it quite clear that 'flesh and blood has not revealed this to you but my Father in heaven." After accepting Peter's profession of faith, Jesus affirms Peter and gives him his mission: "You are Peter and on this rock I will build my Church and the gates of hell will not prevail against it. I give you the keys of the kingdom...."

Like Peter each and every one of us has to answer that question: "Who do you say that I am?" Who is Jesus to you and me? Our answer cannot be what we have read or heard about Jesus, what others have told us about him, but what we have discovered in the depth of our heart.

SAINT OF THE WEEK

St. Oliver Plunkett 01-July-2003

St. Oliver Plunkett came from Irish nobility whose family supported King Charles I. Ordained in Rome in 1654 he became a Professor of theology from 1654 through 1669. He was appointed Archbishop of Armagh in 1669. He was forced to conduct a covert ministry during the suppression of priests.

He was arrested and tried at Dundalk in 1679 for conspiring against the state. It was seen that Oliver would never be convicted in Ireland, and he was moved to Newgate prison, London. St. Oliver Plunkett was found guilty of high treason "for promoting the Catholic faith," and was condemned to a gruesome death. He was martyred 1 July 1681 at Tyburn by hanging, disemboweling, quartering and beheading. He was the last Catholic to die for his faith at Tyburn, and the first of the Irish martyrs to be beatified.

His body was initially buried in two tin boxes next to five Jesuits who had died before; his head is in Saint Peter's Church at Drogheda, Ireland; most of his body is at Downside Abbey, England; some relics in Ireland

EXIT COLLECTION FOR PARISHIONER & MISALETTES

We would like to thank all those who contributed so generously.

Eucharistic Procession

Saturday 21st June 2003

The priests of the parish wish to thank all those who participated in this year's procession and those who decorated the fronts of their homes and businesses on the procession route.

A special thanks to those who helped in putting up the bunting; the public address system; arranging the altar; canopy bearers; marshals and the Garda under Sgt. Tim Bowe for the traffic control.

Also, a special thank you to the First Holy Communicants and the Scouts for participating.

THANK YOU

The editorial team of the Parishioner would like to thank our advertisers and contributors for their support during the year.

We would be delighted to have your ideas and suggestions to improve our publication.

Please write to us at the Sacristy,

or e-mail us at: parish@ballincolligparish.ie *Con, Mary, Con, Oliver, Pauline, Tom & Karen*

AL-ANON Open Public Meeting Dominican Centre Popes Quay

Wednesday next July 2nd 2003 8.30pm – 9.30pm People whose lives are affected by someone else's drinking are invited to attend

Friday 4th July 2003
(First Friday)
Church of St. Mary & St. John
EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACREMENT

Following 9:30 am Mass, concluding with Rosary, Benediction at 7:45 pm and Mass 8:00 pm.

86 children perish in a decade of accidental drownings

Eighty-six children aged fourteen and under drowned accidentally in the last ten years, so we particularly call on parents to ensure that their children are properly supervised near water. Children are naturally curious around water – be it a pool, slurry pit, bath or open water so spot the dangers Water may look safe, but it can be dangerous. Learn to spot and keep away from dangers. You may swim well in a warm indoor pool, but that does not mean that you will be able to swim in cold water. *IWS*

MINISTERS OF THE WORD

Jul-05 & Jul-06-2003

St. Mary & St. John

Christ Our Light

6:00 pm (Vigil) Muireann Nelligan 8:30 am Martha Barry 10:00 am **Declan Chalmers** 12:00 Noon Oliver O'Donovan

8:00 pm (Vigil) Michael Greene 11:00 am Liam Hayes 12:30 pm Con O'Connell 5:30 pm Brian O'Donoghue



8:30 am

MINISTERS OF THE **EUCHARIST**

Jul-05 & Jul-06-2003

12:30 pm

5:30 pm



St. Mary & St. John		Christ Our Light	
6.00 pm	Patsy Murphy	8:00 pm	Jim Cahill

Breda Foley Mary Walsh Sr. M. Carmody Geraldine Hegarty Cathy Horgan

Theresa Lucey Rita Murphy

10:00 am Tadgh Murphy Mary Murphy Joan Tobin Betty Sheehan

12 Noon Michael Crowley Breda Lenihan Noel Hennessey Marie O'Callaghan Rena O'Connor Angela Roche

Kit Cahill Sheila O'Connor

11:00 am Maura McNamara Angela Cunningham Laurence Cunningham Bridie O'Donnell

> Anne O'Connell Eileen Garvey Sally Power Breda Callanan

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MASS TIMES

St. Mary & St. John		Christ Our Light	
8:30am, 10am & 12 noon	Sunday	11am, 12:30pm & 5:30pm	
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 & 8 pm	Friday	8:30 am & 6:30 pm	
10:00 am & 6 pm (Vigil)	Saturday	9:00 am & 8 pm (Vigil)	

CONFESSIONS

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

BAPTISMS

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

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Peters Pence This Weekend 28th & 29th June

FIRST FRIDAY'S

4th July – 1st August – 5th Sep-EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED *SACRAMENT* IN THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY& ST. JOHN

FOLLOWING 9.30 am. MASS CONCLUDING WITH ROSARY & BENEDICTION AT 7.45 pm.

MASS AT 8.00 pm. CHURCH OF CHRIST OUR LIGHT extra MASS AT 6.30 pm.

Friday 15th August HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION

MASS TIMES

St. Mary & St. John 6.00 pm (Vigil) 8.30 am; 10.00 am; 12 noon. 8.00 pm

Christ our Light

8.00 pm (Vigil) 11.00 am; 12.30 pm 6.30 pm







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