

# THE BALLINCOLLIG PARISHIONER



St. Mary & St. John  
Station Road

Sunday 13-May-2018

## The Ascension of The Lord

*(World Communications Day)*

*Jesus ascended to heaven so that his influence and power might be felt not just in one place but in all the world. Today he is present everywhere through his Church, bringing all people to God.*



Christ Our Light  
Innishmore

### **Thy Kingdom Come**

From Ascension Day to Pentecost  
Friday 11th May to Saturday 19th May 2018

A GUIDE TO DAILY PRAYER

A Novena of Prayer with  
The Churches of Ballincollig and District

Thy Kingdom Come

With Daily Updates of Bible Readings  
And intercessions on Facebook:  
Church of St Mary & St John Ballincollig  
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@ requests to: [ian@cupcork.ie](mailto:ian@cupcork.ie)

Need space?

Come and pray in our local churches:  
St. Mary & St. John, Station Rd., Ballincollig  
Every day from 7.30 am to 7.00 pm.

St. Peter's Church, Church Hill, Carrigrohane  
ASCENSION DAY

Thursday 10th May from 8.00 am to 8.00 pm.  
Prayer Together at 8.00 am, 12 Noon, 4.00 pm. & 8.00 pm.

*Fr. George O'Mahony and Rev. Canon Ian Jones*

### **A Prayer for Communications Sunday**

O God, whose word is truth  
and in whose light we see light,  
guide those who tell the story of our times through word and image.  
Make them seekers after truth and advocates of human dignity.  
Grant discernment to all who rely on their labours,  
and, as we confront the pain and promise of this world,  
awaken in us a sense of wonder at your presence  
and of longing for your peace.

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*World Communications Day was established by Pope Paul VI in 1967 as an annual celebration that encourages us to reflect on the opportunities and challenges that the modern means of social communication (the press, motions pictures, radio, television and the internet) afford the Church to communicate the gospel message.*

### PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL

#### Priest

We pray for a growing respect for the life of each human person from conception to natural death, and we pray that this respect may be protected in our laws.

#### Reader

We pray for couples for whom the birth of a child may create particular challenges, that they may find within themselves and in the wider family circle the resources they need to welcome their child with joy and love.

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

We pray for doctors and nurses that they may always see themselves as protectors of human life.

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

We pray for all who are involved in medical research – that they may seek new and better ways to heal the sick and prevent disease and that they may always respect the dignity of each human life from its beginning to its natural end.

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

We pray for the sick and those who live with fear and anxiety.

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

We pray that all who work in communications and in the media may be blessed in their work; may they search for the truth in order to share it with others.

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

We pray for those who have died; that the Lord may bring them to paradise.

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

#### Priest

Lord God, through the resurrection of your Son, you have kindled in our hearts the hope of eternal life. Guard this hope with your grace, and bring it to fulfilment in the kingdom of heaven. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

**God goes up with shouts of joy; the Lord goes up with trumpet blast.**

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† IN SYMPATHY †

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

Liam O'Donnell, Mallow.  
 Michael Creed, Inniscarra View.  
 Nora Forrest, Willows/Youghal.  
 Tadhg Considine, Blarney.  
 Helen Coughlan, Clash.

**PLEASE PRAY FOR THE REPOSE OF THE SOULS OF THE FOLLOWING WHOSE ANNIVERSARY OCCURS OR OTHERWISE REMEMBERED:**

Frank & Nan Kavanagh, Leemount.  
 Paul Dillon, Sundays Well.  
 Neil Hallissey, Muskerry Estate.  
 James O'Donoghue, West Village.  
 Timothy Murphy, Rockchapel.  
 Ann Murphy, Muskerry Estate.  
 John Kelleher, Rosewood.  
 Johanna Morrissey, Doneraile.  
 Tadgh Creed, Inniscarra View.  
 Joseph Maguire, Temple Hill.  
 Paddy, Mary Joe & Bernard Connaughton, Galway/U.S.A.  
 Mary Lehane, Ovens.  
 Nellie Sheehan, Douglas.  
 Vincent Murphy & daughter Monica, Inniscarra View.  
 May Murphy, Blarney.  
 Pat Sheehan, Kilmurray.  
 Donal Leahy, Leeview, Carrigrohane.  
 Áine Harkin, Classes Lake.  
 Joan O'Keeffe, Carrigrohane.

**First Holy Communion Dates 2018**

Saturday 19th May      Gaelscoil Uí Riordáin  
 Saturday 26th May      Scoil Eoin

**Thought for Today**

A world of tribunals and scandals can be depressing. We wonder whether there is anyone who can be trusted. Is it possible to have hope when the evidence of human weakness is all around us? Jesus, ascended to his Father's right hand, calls us to a hope that does not disappoint us. We can place all our trust in him.

**CROWLEY**

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READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Seventh Week Of Easter

- 13 Sunday Acts 1:1-11. Ps 46. Eph. 1:17-23. or Eph 4:1-13. Mk 16:15-20. Lect I: 552
- 14 Monday Acts 1: 15-17. Ps. 112. Jn. 15:9-17. Lect I: 1023
- 15 Tuesday Acts 20:17-27. Ps 67. Jn 17:1-11. Lect I: 578
- 16 Wednesday Acts 20:28-38. Ps. 67. Jn. 17:11-19. Lect I: 580
- 17 Thursday Acts 22:30, 23:6-11. Ps 15. Jn 17:20-26. Lect I: 583
- 18 Friday Acts 25:13-21. Ps 102. Jn. 21:15-19. Lect I: 585
- 19 Saturday Acts 28:16-20, 30-31. Ps 10. Jn 21:20-25. Lect I: 588

**Next Sunday's Readings 20-May-2018**

Acts 2:1-11. Ps. 103. Cor. 12:3-7, 12-13. Jn. 20:19-23. Lect I: 601

**BAPTISMS**

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

Aoibhinn Robyn Kiely, Classes Lake.  
 Adam Murray, Rosewood

**THE SUNDAY READINGS**

First Reading: Acts 1: 1-11  
 St. Luke, the writer of the Gospel was also the author of The Acts of the Apostles. At the beginning of this book he refers to the Gospel as "his earlier work". He fills in the events between the Resurrection and the Ascension. The Apostles are given their last commandments: to preach to the whole world. They are reminded that the Second Coming will only happen after the Gospel has been preached to the whole world.

Second Reading: Ephesians 4: 1-13  
 In the list of gifts given to the church the point he makes is that their aim is to enlarge the unity of the Church, and to develop its intensity until we all attain full unity with the Son of God. The unity of the Church is stressed. But that unity does not mean uniformity as the gifts differ in each person.

Gospel: Mark 16: 15-20  
 The Apostles are commanded to preach the Gospel to all. The salvation which it brings is for all without exception. In the early days of the Church, possibly because of a greater need for extraordinary signs to move a sceptical and hostile world miracles were more frequent than in later times.

**Ring Found.**

An eternity ring was found in St. Mary & St. John's Church.  
 Please contact the sacristan for more information.

**Ballincollig Community First Responders  
AGM**

Ballincollig GAA (Main Hall)  
Wednesday, 16th May 8pm – 9pm  
All welcome

**Pilgrimage to Knock**

Legion of Mary annual Pilgrimage to Knock on Sunday, 20th May 2018. Bus leaving at bus stop outside Garda Station at 7.45am sharp. For details contact: Sally 021-4870954 or Cathleen 021-4874730.

**Permanent Deacons.**

Bishop Buckley invites applications from men interested in serving as Permanent Deacons in the Diocese of Cork & Ross. The minimum age for ordination as a permanent deacon is twenty-five years for a celibate man, and thirty-five years for a married man. The maximum age is sixty years. While married men may be ordained, deacons who are widowed may not remarry. The four-year programme of preparation is part-time, as is the subsequent ministry. Initial contact should be as soon as possible as the application process must be completed in June for a course of preparation beginning in September 2018. It is probable that a course will not commence again in Munster until 2021. Those interested should contact their local priest or the Diocesan Director of the Permanent Diaconate for Cork and Ross, Canon Bertie O'Mahony, PP, Parochial House, Model Farm Road, phone (021) 4346940 or (087) 2519940, or Fr Billy O'Sullivan PP, Turner's Cross, phone (021) 4313103 or (086) 8235291.

**Pilgrimage to San Giovanni Rotondo,**

The holy places associated with Padre Pio and the highlights of Puglia

Remembering the fiftieth anniversary of the death of St Padre Pio

29-September to 5 October 2018

Group leader: Mrs Eleanor Lynch  
Spiritual Director: Fr Ben Hodnett

Full details and itinerary from Marian Pilgrimages  
01-8788159 or www.marian.ie  
or Mrs Eleanor Lynch 087 2190410

**Cork Deaf Association**

Cork Deaf Association wish to thank people for their generosity for the Church Gate collection on the 28th/29th April which amounted to €900.22.

**Student's Prayer Card (Ballincollig)**

As I begin to study for the exams I face  
I ask you Lord for the courage and grace  
to meet this challenge and do my best  
to stay calm and focused during the test.  
This prayer I make to you today,  
help me Lord and with me stay

**Bulletin Board**

**Coeliac Hosts**

Low gluten hosts are available that are suitable for Coeliac. Please inform the priest prior to Mass if possible if you require it.

**Communion for the Sick**

Remembering and praying by the family of believers is part of every worship especially the Mass. Ministers of the Eucharist or a priest go from the praying community to the sick with Holy Communion. Please let the celebrant of Mass know when you wish communion to be taken to the sick. Bringing Holy Communion to the sick is both a privilege and a responsibility.

**Baptism Preparation.**

The next Baptism preparation will take place on Saturday 16th June at 12.00 noon 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..

**First Holy Communion.**

Congratulations to the boys and girls in Scoil Barra/Our Lady of Good Counsel who received the sacrament of Holy Communion on Saturday 12th May. Please pray for the boys and girls in the Gaelscoil who will receive the sacrament of Holy Communion on Saturday 19th May. Sincere thanks to the parents and dedicated teachers who work diligently preparing young people for the sacrament.

**Diocesan Pastoral Development Collection.**

Annual collection for the Diocesan Pastoral Development Office will be taken up at all Masses this weekend – Saturday/Sunday 12th/13th May. Your generosity to this collection enables the office to continue to offer training and formation for pastoral groups and parish ministries, adult faith development opportunities, and the preparatory programme towards the World Meeting of Families.

**Fr. George**

**Prayer for Strength**

Every day I need you, Lord, but today especially, I need some extra strength to face whatever is to come.

This day, more than any other day, I need to feel you near me to strengthen my courage and to overcome my fear.

By myself I cannot meet the challenge of the hour. We are frail human creatures and we need a Higher Power to sustain us in all that life may bring.

And so, dear Lord, hold my trembling hand. Be with me, Lord, this day and stretch out your powerful arm to help me. May your love be upon me as I place all my hope in you. Amen.

*Blessed Pope John XXIII*

**MINISTERS OF THE WORD**

May-19 & May-20-2018

**St. Mary & St. John**

**Christ Our Light**

**6:00 pm (Vigil)**

Aine Sheehan  
Michael Collins

**8:30 am**

Eadaoin O'Leary  
Gerard O'Leary

**10:00 am**

Louise McCarthy  
Robert Noonan / Declan Crowley

**12:00 Noon**

Emer Wiseman  
Oliver O'Donovan

**7:30 pm (Vigil)**

Nonyi Ebili  
Jennifer Nyagaya

**11:00 am**

Clara Herdman  
Hannah Herdman

**12:30 pm**

Bernard Valley  
Colm Walsh

**5:30 pm**

Liam Tuohy

**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  
Month

First Saturday of Month

12:45 pm

**Sunday**

**PARISH CLERGY**

Priest on Duty 087-2479140

Fr. George O'Mahony P.P. 021-4871206

Fr. Cian O'Sullivan C.C. 021-4876171

**Funeral Pastoral Team Rota**

14-May-2018 to 20-May-2018

Brid Dunne

**Social / Coffee Mornings**

Continue every Friday morning in parish house "Sonas"  
on Station Road at 10 am.

Everyone welcome as it is an ideal opportunity to get  
and know people from our community.



**MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST**

May-19 & May-20-2018

**St. Mary & St. John**

**Christ Our Light**

**6.00 pm**

Pat Moore  
Mary Walsh  
Marie Healy  
Margaret Kearney  
Nora Barry  
Joan Tobin

**7:30 pm**

Sheila O'Connor  
Mary Murphy  
Brid Healy-Harris  
Kit Cahill

**8:30 am**

Triona Collins  
Tom Butler

**11:00 am**

Eileen Byrne  
Angela Cunningham  
Laurence Cunningham  
Bernadett Spillane  
David Mahony

**10:00 am**

Mags Bunyan  
Mary Murphy  
Breda Monaghan  
Mary Hennigan  
Helen Buckley

**12:30 pm**

Eileen Garvey  
Breda Callanan  
Betty Walsh  
Theresa O'Driscoll

**12 Noon**

Marie Bohan  
Breda Lenihan  
Jacinta Jeers  
Rena O'Connor  
Sean Farrell

**5:30 pm**

Olan O'Mahony  
Noel Kelleher

**A Joy for All the Earth**

Love bears all things, endures all things  
Love longs for all things good, love never ends  
Spirit, Love is patient, and love is kind  
Love is not resentful; it is not rude.  
Love is not arrogant, nor boastful, nor jealous  
but love rejoices, rejoices in the truth

**Refrain**

**Here in Gods family all find their home.**

**All can find salvation troubled souls find peace.**

**Here is found tenderness, compassion and justice**

**Here God reaches down to us and touches us with grace.**

Love is our origin, our constant calling.  
Love is our fulfilment, in God's dwelling place.  
Love is the mystery of Father, Son and  
Love is communion of blessed Trinity.

**Refrain**

This is what God asks of us, to act with justice,  
to love with tenderness, to walk humbly with God,  
to give our lives in service to others.

The joy of the Gospel is the joyful love of Christ!

**Refrain**

Love bears all things, endures all things

Love longs for all things good, love never ends.