

# THE BALLINCOLLIG PARISHIONER



St. Mary & St. John  
Station Road

Sunday 27-May-2018

## The Most Holy Trinity

*What a pity that for many the Trinity is just an intellectual puzzle! For the believer it is a sign of how close God has come to us by revealing (but not reducing) the mystery of his Being. He draws us into the mystery making us his children by the gift of the Spirit.*



Christ Our Light  
Innishmore

## The Most Holy Trinity

The blessed Trinity is not just a puzzle, which in principle could be solved but rather a mystery; a relationship which is first of all lived, never exhausted and only inadequately spoken of in words. This is true of any of the significant relationships in our lives and true therefore all the more so of God. Within the mystery of this relationship we recognise God from whom we come, in whom we live and move and have our being. We recognise the Son as the Way, the Truth and the Life and we recognise the Spirit, who helps us to pray when we do not know how to pray as we ought.

The world we live in is far from perfect; if the world were perfect then it would be heaven. Because our world is full of imperfection, there is sickness, pain and suffering, violent crimes inflicted by human beings on others. There are also many uncertainties, lots of evil and anguish in our world and we wonder at times where is God, has He taken a holiday or gone asleep. The God we believe in sent His son Jesus to reveal the depth of his love for each of us. This love led Jesus to his death, so every time I witness the Host broken at Mass is a reminder of that love. The first Book of Kings 17: 7- 16 we read of the widow sharing her final Jar of meal with the stranger. She puts her trust "Do not be afraid," God said "Jar of meal shall not be spent!" Lord Give me a trust in you similar to the widow.

*George O'Mahony*

## Reflection for Parents

The Trinity is a mystery so profound and beyond human understanding that no human words can even approach understanding it. We need to go to another plane of understanding to even begin to grasp it. It can only be understood by love.

Think of a baby girl. A baby needs to be given everything in order to survive, she cannot do it herself. For months, all she will understand is the loving arms that support her. The warmth of another body tells her that everything is ok. The only language she can understand is love. When we think of the Blessed Trinity, the only thing we can do is bask in the radiance of the love of the Father, the Son and Holy Spirit, a love that we now share in, by the mystery of Christ's death and resurrection.

## PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL

### Priest

Let us now offer our prayers to the Lord who offers himself to us.

### Reader

May the Eucharist sustain Pope Francis and all our leaders in their task of proclaiming and teaching the faith.

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

For those who hunger for meaning and thirst for righteousness, that they may be fed and satisfied.

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

For the strong and the powerful of this earth, that they may act justly towards the weak and the poor.

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

For young people who are taking exams at this time, that the Lord may lead them and guide them.

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

For those who have gone before us on life's journey may be welcomed into the life of the Trinity.

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

For those who have died, that they may share in the eternal Eucharist of heaven.

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

### Priest

We thank you, Lord, for the gift of the Eucharist, as we make these prayers. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

*Happy the people the Lord had chosen as his own.*

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† IN SYMPATHY †

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

Geraldine Coyle, Powdermills Nursing Home.  
 Martin Moore, Beech Park.  
 Mary O'Hallorhan, Shamrock Drive.  
 Denis Ahern, Montenotte.

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

Ellen (Nell) McDonnell, Donoughmore.  
 George O'Mahony, Currabeg.  
 Paddy Long, Parknamore.  
 Billy Dorney.  
 Martina McCarthy, Castle Ave.  
 Eileen O'Mahony, Leevew, Carrigrohane.  
 Sheila Dinneen, Curraheen Cross.  
 Noel McCarthy, Oaklands.  
 William & Catherine Ryan, St. Anthony's Lawn.  
 Owen O'Neill, Currabeg, Ovens.  
 Michael, Mary & Kieran McNulty, Fr. Sexton Park.  
 Jean Kearney, Muskerry Estate.  
 Dec. Members of the O'Driscoll & Sisk Families.  
 Jeremiah & John O'Leary, Sunningdale & Cloghroe.  
 Maureen & Con Cremin & son Con, Glasheen.  
 Patrick O'Leary, St. Enda's Road.  
 Seamus Keating, Youghal.  
 Hannah & Peter Crowley, Leemount.  
 Elizabeth & Seán Crowley, Poulavone.  
 Emily Moynihan, Rathmore.

**Annual Eucharistic Procession**

Will take place on Saturday June 2nd 2018

The Procession will leave the church of St. Mary & St. John immediately after the 6pm Vigil Mass (approx. 6.40pm) and proceed down Station Road, on to the Main St as far as Castlepark and back to Church View for Benediction. You and your family are invited to take part in the Eucharistic Procession. Families of children who received their First Holy Communion and who celebrated the sacrament of Confirmation recently are especially invited to take part. Please make every effort.

**Down Syndrome Ice Cream Sunday**

27th MAY

Ice Cream will be available after mass on Sunday 27th May, all donations will be given to Down Syndrome Ireland.  
 Christ Our Light Church 11am and 12.30 Masses  
 St Mary and St John 10am and 12 noon Masses

Music Morning.

The monthly Music Morning in the Ballincollig Library next Tuesday, 29th May at 11am will be the final one of the season and will be presented by Joan Kenneally. Everyone is welcome and a cuppa will be served.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Eleventh Week In Ordinary Time

27 Sunday Deut 4:32-34. 39-40. Ps 32. Rom 8:14-17. Mt 28:16-20. Lect I: 613

28 Monday 1 Pet 1:3-9. Ps 110. Mk 10:17-27. Lect II: 549

29 Tuesday 1 Pet 1:10-16. Ps 97. Mk 10:28-31. Lect II: 551

30 Wednesday 1 Pet 1:18-25. Ps 147. Mk 10:32-45. Lect II: 553

31 Thursday Zeph. 3: 14-18 or Rom. 12:9-16. Ps. Is 12. Lk. 1 :39-56. Lect II: 1040

01 Friday 1 Pet 4:7-13. Ps 95. Mk 11:11-26. Lect II: 557

02 Saturday Jude 17:20-25. Ps 62. Mk 11:27-33. Lect II: 560

**Next Sunday's Readings 03-June-2018**

Ex. 24:3-8. Ps. 115. Heb. 9: 11-15. Mk. 14: 12-16. 22:26. Lect I:622

**THE SUNDAY READINGS**

First Reading Deuteronomy 4: 32-34. 39-40

There is always a unique sense of vocation at the Baptism Ceremony. God calls us by name. The parents and the Godparents, their family and the Baptism Team all give a sense of family and community, of being part of an incredible and evolving story, salvation history. We walk in the footsteps of those who lived the 'laws and commandments' and sacrificed so much so that we 'may prosper' today. There is always a unique sense of vocation at the Baptism Ceremony. God calls us by name. The parents and the Godparents, their family and the Baptism Team all give a sense of family and community, of being part of an incredible and evolving story, salvation history. We walk in the footsteps of those who lived the 'laws and commandments' and sacrificed so much so that we 'may prosper' today.

Second Reading Letter from St. Paul to the Romans 8: 14-17  
 We are children of God: created by our Abba, heirs with Christ, and led by the Spirit. We have been chosen because of great love.

Gospel Reading Matthew 28: 16-20

From a great mountaintop, Jesus commissions the disciples to go forth and baptize in the name of God as Trinity. A little bit of hesitation can be a good thing. It's like a safety valve that stops a boiler from overheating. That some of the disciples were hesitant gives us all hope. The problem with the hesitation in our modern world is that there is a fear of proclaiming any message at all. The truth gets strangled in order not to offend. It is the age of the intolerant tolerant.

**CROWLEY**

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**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.

**Bulletin Board**

**First Friday**

Friday 1st June is the first Friday of the month. There will be exposition of the Blessed Sacrament in St Mary & St John from 6.30pm to 7.45pm, you are invited to come and spend some time with the Lord. There is Mass in St Mary & St John on Friday evening at 8.00pm. The priests of the parish visit the sick of the parish on the first Friday of each month; please let us know if you have a family member or neighbour who is sick or housebound.

**Family Mass**

The next Family Mass for parents with children in second class preparing for their first Holy Communion will take place on Sunday 3rd June at 11.00am in Church of Christ Our Light. The Parents of children who are seven and eight are asked to bring them to this Mass. Preparation with these children commences in the main body of the church at 10.45am.

**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

**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.

**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

**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..

**Balance Summer Camp Fundraiser**

Pop concert with MUSICA Orchestra and Keith Hanley in aid of Balance Summer Camp will take place on Thursday, 31st May at 8pm in Christ our Light Church. Tickets available from Balance Shop and Café and Stalks and Stems, Tramore Road.

Contact: Annette O'Sullivan 4874883

**First Holy Communion.**

Congratulations to the boys of Scoil Eoin who received the sacrament of Holy Communion on Saturday 26th May. Sincere thanks to the parents and dedicated teachers who work diligently preparing young people for the sacrament.

Examination Time.  
We ask for your continuing support and prayers for our students as they prepare for their Leaving and Junior Certificate Examinations. May they be successful in their efforts.

**Mass Diaries**

Mass Diaries to book Mass intentions for July, August & September will open in both churches on Saturday June 9th. Priority will be given to those booking 1st Anniversary Mass.

**Defibrillator Training**

Training will commence in July  
All volunteers will be contacted nearer the date

Fr. George

**MINISTERS OF THE WORD**

Jun-02 & Jun-03-2018

**St. Mary & St. John**

**Christ Our Light**

**6:00 pm (Vigil)**

Sean Collins  
Ben Purcell  
**8:30 am**  
Triona Downey/Riain Brennan  
Miriam Healy

**10:00 am**

Shannan O'Brien  
Erin Holmes

**12:00 Noon**

Sean Hennessy  
Shane Lehane

**7:30 pm (Vigil)**

Pauline Collins  
Dyan Ebili

**11:00 am**

Kristian Calvert  
Amy Ni Chearbhaill

**12:30 pm**

Aisling Dore  
Sarah O'Connell

**5:30 pm**

Kevin 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**

28-May-2018 to 03-Jun-2018

Laurence Cunningham

Virginia Harrington

**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**

Jun-02 & Jun-03-2018

**St. Mary & St. John**

**Christ Our Light**

**6.00 pm**

Steve Wills  
Bernadette Bell  
Jim Walsh  
Frances O'Brien  
Eileen Coughlan

**7:30 pm**

Anne O'Regan  
Mairead Murphy  
Finbarr Murray  
Lettie Kelly

**8:30 am**

Mary Buckley  
Denis Healy  
Tom Butler

**11:00 am**

Seamus O'Connell  
Mary O'Connell  
Alan O'Riordan  
Geraldine Keohane  
Gerard Murray / Ciaran  
Kelleher

**10:00 am**

Christy Roche  
Mary O'Regan  
Elaine Crowley  
Anna Buckley  
Claire Creedon  
Jim Lordan

**12:30 pm**

Lucy O'Callaghan  
Jackie Sheehan  
Michael O'Leary  
J.P.O'Leary  
Eweelina Kudzynska

**12 Noon**

Oliver O'Donovan  
Sean Hennessy  
Mary McLean  
Eleanor Seymour  
Nora Hennessy  
Christina Walshe

**5:30 pm**

Noelle Buckley  
Mary Breen  
Valerie Barry

**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 jus#ce,  
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.