

# THE BALLINCOLLIG PARISHIONER



St. Mary & St. John  
Station Road

Sunday 28-April-2019

Second Sunday Of Easter

*Divine Mercy Sunday*

*We are all a bit like Thomas, unless we see we find it difficult to believe. However, faith is a way of seeing, seeing beyond the apparent problems of life to the hope given by the Resurrection of Jesus; the hope of sharing heaven with Him.*



Christ Our Light  
Innishmore

## ***Bishop-elect Fintan Gavin on his appointment to the Diocese of Cork & Ross***

A very good morning! It is difficult to express in words, the shock and surprise I felt when the Papal Nuncio Archbishop Okolo told me of Pope Francis' wish to appoint me as the next Bishop of Cork & Ross.

I was very happily serving the Church as an ordinary priest in the Archdiocese of Dublin during the last 27 years since I was ordained in various different ministries. And as a North Side Dubliner I would never have expected such trust to be placed in me by Pope Francis by asking me to serve as a humble servant leader, the People of God, the Body of Christ of the Diocese of Cork & Ross.

To be honest, it seems very daunting at this stage and I am very aware of my own human limitations but I have always answered God's call, each day, to serve in ways I would never have planned or expected. Thankfully God has always given me the grace and strength to do this, with the help of God's people and I am really excited by the challenge.

Setting out on this new ministry, I have a lot to learn from you the people, religious, deacons and priests of the Diocese of Cork and Ross. I look forward to listening to you and benefiting from your experience, from your wisdom and guidance.

I look forward to working with other Christian Church leaders to build on the work of dialogue and ecumenism already taking place. I look forward in this City, County and beyond as a good neighbour of engaging also with other faith communities and, on this occasion, I greet people of all faiths, traditions and all who serve the common good in every way.

*Fr. Fintan Gavin & Irish Catholic Bishops*

## **PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL**

**Priest**

Let us, with St. Thomas, leave our doubts aside, as we now turn to our merciful Lord in prayer.

**Reader**

That the hope of Easter may extend to all Christians, and that we may become ever better able to bring that hope to others.

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

That the peace of Easter may inspire those in public office to seek peace, justice and the common good.

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

That the promise of Easter may bring light to those whose lives are marked by despair.

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

That the joy of Easter may be evident wherever Christians gather: in our homes, our schools and our places of work and recreation.

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

That the new life of Easter may, by God's mercy, be shared by all the faithful departed.

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

We pray for the intentions of all here present.

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

**Priest**

Father, may our celebration of these Easter mysteries help us on our pilgrimage. By your mercy, may we come to share in the resurrection. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

***Give thanks to the Lord for he is good, for his love has no end.***

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

Noel Murphy, Model Farm Road.  
 Frank & Nan Kavanagh, Leemount.  
 Frank Manning, Blackrock.  
 Mary Sexton, Douglas.  
 Patsy Foley, Mallow.  
 Mike Cullinane, Coolroe.  
 Margaret Lehane, Beech Park.  
 Mary Linehan, Inniscarra View.  
 Tony Allen, Inniscarra View.  
 Margaret & Michael Murray, Greenhills Estate.  
 Tom O’Leary, Maglin View.  
 Peg Collar, Manor Hill.  
 Dec. Mem’s of Troy & O’Herlihy Families, Thurles & Tara Lawn.  
 Paddy Harkin, Cork/UK.  
 Dec. Mem’s of Lakewood Pitch & Putt Club.  
 Jack Hurley, Hawthorn Avenue.  
 Thomas & Catherine O’Donnell, Drimoleague.  
 May & Raymond Monahan, Galway.  
 Frank Brennan, Grange, Ovens.  
 Pat Sheehan, Kilmurray.  
 Breda Lynch, Hillsboro.  
 Vera Walsh, The Maltings.  
 Sheila Quinlan, Glanworth.  
 Mary Delaney, Maglin.

**Six Ethics in Life.**

Before you Pray, Believe.  
 Before you Speak, Listen.  
 Before you Spend, Earn.  
 Before you Write, Think.  
 Before you Quit, Try.

*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.*

**Pilgrimage to Fatima**

On 28th Sept to 4th Oct.  
 6 nights. Flights from Cork.  
 €609 if booked before Feb 1st (€50 discount).  
 Price includes trips to Eucharistic Miracle of Santarem  
 St Anthony’s birth place in Lisbon  
 and Blessed Alexandrina Da Costa in Balasar.  
 Spiritual Director Fr Marius O’Reilly.  
 Limited places! Contact Damien on 087 204 9048

**READINGS FOR THE WEEK**

**Second Week Of Easter**

28 Sunday Acts 5:12-16. Ps. 117. Apoc. 1:9-13, 17-19. Jn. 20: 19-31. Lect I: 444  
 29 Monday 1 Jn 1:5-2:2. Ps. 102. Mt. 11 :25-30. Lect II: 1009  
 30 Tuesday Acts 4:32-37. Ps. 92. Jn. 3:7-15. Lect I: 449  
 01 Wednesday Acts 5:17-26. Ps. 33. Jn. 3:16-21. Lect I: 452  
 02 Thursday Acts 5:27-33. Ps. 33. Jn. 3:31-36. Lect I: 454  
 03 Friday 1 Cor 15:1-8. Ps. 18. Jn. 14:6-14. Lect II: 1017  
 04 Saturday Acts 6:1-7. Ps. 32. Jn. 6:16-21. Lect I: 459

**Next Sunday’s Readings 05-May-2019**

Acts 5:21-32,40-41. Ps. 29. Apoc. 5:11-14. In. 21: 1-19. Lect I: 468

**BAPTISMS**

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

Hayley Grace Riordan, England.  
 Tara Margaret Murray, Fionn Laoi.  
 Adrian Petrungaro, Fionn Laoi.

**THE SUNDAY READINGS**

First Reading: Acts 5:12-16  
 The earliest days of the Christian community existed in a period of harmony and success in preaching the Gospel. Like Jesus, the followers are able to heal the sick and those possessed by demons. They continue to gather for prayer near the temple of Jerusalem.

Second Reading: Apoc. 1:9-13. 17-19  
 The vision of Christ is a source of joy; he brings us divine mercy in person. Like John the Apostle, we welcome the sight of the Lord. Jesus Christ is risen, our light and our life.

Gospel: John 20:19-31  
 Following Jesus’ crucifixion the disciples were still uncertain of his message. They lost hope, were filled with fear, and locked themselves in a room. Without entering through the door, Jesus appeared before them with a greeting of peace and a mission to spread the Good News. The disciple, Thomas, was not in the room. When he learned of Jesus’ visit, he would not believe it. But about a week later, Jesus appeared in a similar way and Thomas was with the others. Jesus invited Thomas to touch the wounds in his hands and side. Thomas knew immediately that it was Jesus and believed in him.

**Information Session**

Is God calling you to be a priest in our diocese? Come to our information session on Sunday 12th May from 3:00pm to 6:00pm at the Pastoral Development Office, Parochial House, Ballyphehane. Contact Fr Charlie Kiely 021-4537474.

**Follow The Footsteps of Jesus  
From Galilee To Jerusalem 2019**

Take the TRIP of a LIFETIME to the HOLY LAND, May 28th- June 7th 2019.

Group Leader, Mícheál de Barra and Spiritual Director, Fr. John Newman (Bible Scholar) In association with Premier Travel, Cork

Contact Mícheál at 0868337681/  
emailculturaltoursireland@gmail.com

What former pilgrims have said about this tour:

'Masada was awe inspiring but I was moved by Calvary in a way I could not imagine or describe' (Mike)

'Keep it up, the happiness you brought to your pilgrims will never be forgotten,' (Alice)

'We will now read and hear the gospels in a very different light since our pilgrimage', (Lucille)

**Pilgrimage to Knock**

Legion of Mary annual Pilgrimage to Knock will take place on Sunday, 26th May 2019. Bus leaving from outside Garda Station at 7.30am sharp. For more details contact: Sally 021-4870954 or Cathleen 021-4874730.

**Reflection for Parents**

Parents are often the source of hope and encouragement for their children. When a child falls repeatedly while learning to walk or ride a bike, it is a parent who coaxes, encourages, and praises the child. Parents provide hope and comfort when a child falls short of a goal whether in academics, relationships, sports, or the arts. Parents can relate to the role of Jesus with his disciples. They were frightened and discouraged but they found hope and relief with the peace and presence of Jesus.

**Ballincollig Neighbourhood Watch**

Will hold their AGM on Wednesday 1st May 2019 at Ballincollig Garda Station at 7.30pm. NHW meeting will take place afterwards. Information from Community Garda Anthony Mc Sweeney.

**Help the Homeless**

Cork Simon's Coffee Morning is back, and we need your help. Organise a coffee morning during March in your workplace, school or home and help fight homelessness in Cork. Don't like coffee – no worries organise an Afternoon Tea instead. We have everything you need to help you organise your gathering. Please contact Margaret 021 4929415 to receive your pack.

**CROWLEY**

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**Bulletin Board**

**First Friday**

Friday May 3rd 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

**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.

**Spring Dues**

The priests of the Parish would like to thank you for returning the Spring Dues Envelopes. Your continued support is much appreciated.

**Thank You**

Sincere thanks to the many people who gave their time throughout the Easter period, Ministers of the Word, Ministers of the Eucharist, Altar Society, Altar Servers, Choirs, Cantors, Folk Group, Collectors, Cleaners, Parish Council and Parish Council Sub Groups, the Sacristans in both Churches, people who distributed dues envelopes and the various flyers.

Thanks also to the many people who attended and participated in the Easter Ceremonies.

**Easter Collection**

The Priests of the parish Fr. George & Fr. Cian would like to take this opportunity to thank you for your generosity in the Easter collection. This is much appreciated.

**Envelope Collection**

The collection for Holy Places which was taken up on Good Friday, 30th March amounted to €1,265. This collection for the Holy Land reminds us of an "ancient" duty, which the history of recent years has made more urgent, but no less a source of joy that comes from helping our brothers. We appreciate your generosity.

**First Holy Communion Dates 2019**

Scoil Barra	11th May
Our Lady of Good Counsel	11th May
Gaelscoil Uí Riordáin	18th May
Scoil Eoin	25th May
Scoil Mhuire	8th June

Fr. George

**Music Morning**

The monthly Music Morning in Ballincollig Library next Tuesday, 30th April at 11.00am will be presented by Philip Brennan. Everyone is welcome and a cuppa will be served.

**MINISTERS OF THE WORD**

May-04 & May-05-2019

**St. Mary & St. John**

**Christ Our Light**

**6:00 pm (Vigil)**  
Ben Purcell  
Alicia Leahy  
**8:30 am**  
Tom McDonagh  
Seán Casey  
**10:00 am**  
Marie Bunyan  
Amy O'Driscoll / Daithi O'Floinn  
**12:00 Noon**  
Emer Wiseman

**7:30 pm (Vigil)**  
Pauline Collins  
Dylan Ebili / Jennifer Nyagaya  
**11:00 am**  
Kristian Calvert  
Amy Ni Chearbhaill  
**12:30 pm**  
Gretta Fleming  
Mary Kate O'Brien  
**5:30 pm**  
Christine O'Brien

**MASS TIMES**

**St. Mary & St. John**

**Christ Our Light**

8:30 am, 10 am & 12 noon	<b>Sunday</b>	11 am, 12:30 pm & 5:30 pm
9:30 am	<b>Monday</b>	8:30 am
9:30 am	<b>Tuesday</b>	8:30 am
9:30 am	<b>Wednesday</b>	8:30 am
9:30 am	<b>Thursday</b>	8:30 am
9:30 am	<b>Friday</b>	8:30 am
10:00 am & 6 pm (Vigil)	<b>Saturday</b>	7:30 pm (Vigil)

**CONFESSIONS**

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

**BAPTISMS**

4:30 pm	<b>Saturday</b>	4:30 pm
Except First Saturday of Month		First Saturday of Month
12:45 pm	<b>Sunday</b>	

**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**

29-Apr-2019 to 05-May-2019

Tim Murphy  
Siobhan Glavin

**Irish Heart Foundation**

FREE CPR Training: The Irish Heart Foundation is on a mission to save lives through our Hands for Life programme. We are offering Free One Hour CPR training courses in Ballincollig GAA Club, Powder Mills Tuesday 30th April at 10.00, 11.30 & 1.00. To secure your place on these courses please visit our website at [www.irisheart.ie/](http://www.irisheart.ie/) handsforlife or ring 01 6685001. Places are limited.

**Lourdes 2019 - Young Adult Helpers**

The Diocese of Cork and Ross invites young adults 18-25 to join the pilgrimage to Lourdes as helpers from 10th to 15th June. As helpers you will assist with the sick and be involved in the full pilgrimage programme – time for prayer, sharing in the story of Lourdes and making new friends. Limited number of places – for further Details contact Fr Charlie Kiely on 021 4537474

**St. Vincent de Paul Collections**

Please note Church Gate Collection dates for May 2019 are as follows:  
SATURDAY 4th & SUNDAY 5th May



**MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST**

May-04 & May-05-2019

**St. Mary & St. John**

**Christ Our Light**

**6.00 pm** Steve Wills  
Bernadette Bell  
Frances O'Brien  
Eileen Coughlan

**7:30 pm** Geraldine Lynch  
Charles Vaughan  
Joan Stephenson  
Bernie Bowen

**8:30 am** Mary Buckley  
Denis Healy  
Tom Butler

**11:00 am** Neil Jeffries  
Eileen O'Donoghue  
Padraig Fleming  
Hugh / Catherine Moran  
Imelda Power / Martina Woods

**10:00 am** Christy Roche  
Mary O'Regan  
Elaine Crowley  
Claire Creedon  
Jim Lordan

**12:30 pm** Tom Murray  
John O'Regan  
Gerard Dunne  
Brid Dunne

**12 Noon** Sean Hennessy  
Mary McLean  
Eleanor Seymour  
Nora Hennessy  
Christina Walshe

**5:30 pm** Bernard Curran  
John Canty

**Ballincollig**  
**Darkness Into Light 2019**  
*'The Power of Hope'*

Join us in the Castlewest Shopping Centre:  
2pm - 4pm

Saturday & Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> - 28<sup>th</sup> April  
Saturday & Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> - 5<sup>th</sup> May

We will be there to register on-line or to answer any questions you may have.  
Please note that there will be No t-shirt collection.  
T-shirts will be posted to you after you have registered.

**Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> May, Coláiste Choilm @ 4.15 a.m.**