

THE BALLINCOLLIG PARISHIONER



St. Mary & St. John
Station Road

Sunday 30-October-2022

Thirty First Sunday in Ordinary Time.

God is full of mercy: he waits patiently for our conversion. No matter how much we may have failed him, he still calls us and encourages us towards goodness.



Christ Our Light
Innishmore

Welcome Fr. Ronan



Hello everyone! My name is Ronan Sheehan, I am a priest of the diocese of Cork and Ross. I was ordained in my home village of Newcestown on the 18th of September and Bishop Fintan has appointed me as curate to the Ballincollig/Ovens/Ballinora Family of Parishes.

I come from a family of seven: my parents (Bud and Denise) and my four sisters (Ciara, Leona, Orlaith and Aoibhe). More recently my two nieces were born (Gia and Ruth).

It's been great meeting so many of you these past few weeks.

I look forward to getting to know many more of you over the

coming years as we live out our Christian faith together in this local community. If you spot me around the place, please stop me and say hello!

'May your love be upon us, O Lord, as we place all our hope in you.'

God bless,

Fr. Ronan

October Safeguarding Month

As we start to see church activities increase, we are always looking at updating our policies, guidance and forms. We have updated all forms / templates to make them user friendly and we have introduced a Safeguarding Policy for Pilgrimages. These can be found on the safeguarding page of the Diocesan website. www.corkandross.org/safeguarding

First Friday

Friday 4th November is the first Friday of the month. 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.

October the Month of the Rosary

Evidence exists from the Middle Ages that strings of beads were used to count Our Fathers, Hail Mary's and Glory be... The structure of the Rosary gradually evolved between the 12th and 15th, centuries. The word rosary means "crown of roses". There is a tradition that in 1214 Our Lady appeared to St. Dominic and gave him the rosary as we know it today. In Ireland there was a great tradition of saying the family Rosary. Some families still say it, or part of it. Did you know that a number of groups pray the rosary in our two churches?

St. Mary's & St. John's

Sunday's Children's Rosary 9:15am

Each morning following 9 30 Mass

Sunday 2:30 p.m.

Christ our Light

Weekday mornings before 8:30 a.m. Mass Weekdays @ 2:30 p.m.

Anyone is welcome to join for part or all of these Rosaries.

I will bless your name for ever, O God my King.

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† IN SYMPATHY †
 PLEASE PRAY FOR THE FAMILY AND FRIENDS OF THE RECENTLY DECEASED :
 Edward (Eddie) Murphy, Ballincollig.
 Maureen McCarthy, Douglas Lawn & Ballincollig.
 Archbishop Patrick Coveney.
 Siobhán Cooper, Mayfield.
 Padraig Griffin, Clonakilty/Ballincollig Community School.
 Cathal O'Driscoll, Dublin & Ballincollig.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE REPOSE OF THE SOULS OF THE FOLLOWING WHOSE ANNIVERSARY OCCURS OR OTHERWISE REMEMBERED:
 Christy Buckley, Bakers Road.
 Ann O'Connell, Westcliffe.
 Stephen Hogan, Classes Lake.
 Mary & Edward O'Mahony, Clash Road.
 Mary Desmond, Westgrove.
 Jerry O'Leary, Knockburden.
 Michael & Angela O'Keeffe, Crossbarry.

First Reading: Wisdom 11:22 - 12:2
 The first reading tells us that we are as nothing before God; yet he created us, he loves us, and he shows us his mercy.

Second Reading: 2 Thessalonians 1:11 - 2:2
 The second reading explains why we live with courage and hope-- God's power is ours in Christ.

Gospel : Luke 19:1-10.
 Children may know just how Zacchaeus felt in today's Gospel story. Have you ever lifted your children to your shoulders so they might see over the crowds at a parade, waiting in a long line, or at a local sporting event? Zacchaeus was short and climbed a tree to get a better look at Jesus. Something surely stirred in his heart because it seems that he may have already given some thought to changing. Jesus reached out to Zacchaeus in friendship, and Zacchaeus responded with generosity and true remorse.

Bank Holiday Monday Monday October 31st
 Morning Mass 9.30am in the Church of St Mary & St John
 All Saints Day
 Friday November 1st Holy Day of Obligation
 Masses
 St Mary & St John Church Tuesday 1st November
 10.00am & 7.30pm
 Christ Our Light Church
 Vigil Mass Monday 31st October 6.30pm
 Tuesday 1st November 12.30pm

Gaelscoil Uí Ríordáin Enrolment for 2023-2024
 The application period for parents wishing to enroll junior infants at Gaelscoil Uí Ríordáin for the 2023-2024 school year is open between the 3rd October until 4th November 2022.
 Bígí linn!

Ministers of the Word & Eucharist
 If anyone is interested in becoming a Minister of the Eucharist or Word in either Church, please give the sacristan in the Church where they would like to be involved your name, address, phone number & email address.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Thirty First Week In Ordinary Time

30 Sunday Wis. 11 :22-12:2. Ps. 144. 2 Thess. 1 : 11-2:2. Lk. 19:1-10. Lect I: 928

31 Monday Phil 2:1-4. Ps 130. Lk 14:12-14. Lect II: 850

01 Tuesday Apoc. 7:2-4, 9-14. Ps. 23. 1 In. 3:1-3. Mt. 5:1-12. Lect I: 999 or Lect II: 1244

02 Wednesday Readings are chosen from the Lectionary for the Dead. Lect I:1002

03 Thursday Phil. 3:3-8. Ps. 104. Lk. 15: 1-10. Lect II: 856

04 Friday Phil. 3:17-4:1. Ps. 121. Lk. 16:1-8. Lect II: 858

05 Saturday Phil 4:10-19. Ps 111. Lk 16:9-15. Lect II: 860

Bulletin Board

Cemetery Masses

Mass in St Oliver's Cemetery Sat. November 5th at 2pm
 Mass in St Mary's & St John Cemetery Sat. November 12th at 12 noon

Envelope Collection Mission Sunday

Envelope collection for the propagation of the faith which was taken up at all Masses last weekend amounted to €2,995.00. We appreciate your continued generosity.

The November Novena for the Holy Souls

Both Churches:
 2nd – 10th November inclusive - There will be morning Masses as usual in both churches during the Novena: 8.30am in Christ our Light and 9.30am in St. Mary & St. John and there will be evening Mass at 7.30pm St. Mary & St John. Envelopes are available in both churches.

Special Remembrance Mass

There will be a Special Mass to remember all our loved ones who died during the past year on Thursday November 10th at 7.30pm in St Mary & St John. All those who died from the Parish will be remembered at this Mass. Families who wish to have deceased family members (who died during the past twelve months) included in this Mass are invited to hand in their names to the Sacristy or Parish Office during the week and please include a contact name, phone number and an address. Families and individuals are invited to partake in the Mass.

Autumn Dues

Envelopes are currently being distributed to homes throughout the parish of Ballincollig; contribution of the dues is for the support of the priests of the parish. Please return it by placing it in the basket at Mass. Should your home be missed spare envelopes are available from the back of the church.

Blessing of Graves

The blessing of the Graves at St. James Cemetery, Chetwynd, Togher (off the Bandon Road) will take place on Sunday, 6th November at 3.00pm. All welcome.

Reflection for Parents

Among our children's playmates we may find some who try our patience. It may be that they come from different backgrounds or circumstances than our own family, and we may hold similar reservations regarding their parents. Perhaps today's Gospel challenges us to encounter those who may be outcasts in a more loving way-as Jesus did. In today's Gospel we read the famous story of Zacchaeus. We can take example from the man who was desperate to see Jesus and who welcomed the Lord to his house.