

# THE BALLINCOLLIG PARISHIONER



St. Mary & St. John  
Station Road

Sunday 28-May-2023

Pentecost Sunday

*The first coming of the Holy Spirit on the Church was wind and fire and the telling of God's wonderful deeds in many tongues. The Spirit also comes as many gifts for the common good, bringing peace along with God's forgiving power.*



Christ Our Light  
Innishmore

## *Come Holy Spirit*

Today we celebrate the Feast of Pentecost - the birthday of the Church. Following the Ascension of Jesus his disciples returned to Jerusalem where, because of their fear of the Jews, they remained behind locked doors in the security of the 'upper room'. Into this room Jesus comes bringing peace. He breathes the Holy Spirit on them. With the gift of the Spirit they are liberated from their fear and empowered to leave the Upper Room to go out to preach the Gospel.

In spite of being a timid little group they now find the courage they never knew they had to go out on to the streets to proclaim the Good News of the Risen Christ. The same disciples who had scattered after Jesus' arrest were now gathering people together for Christ. The disciples who were too scared to appear at the foot of the Cross were now proclaiming God's love. They proclaimed how their lives had been transformed by the power of the Holy Spirit and expressed the wonders God had worked in them.

On that first Pentecost, through the preaching of the disciples, many people became believers. Ever since then, the Gospel message has been proclaimed throughout the world. Proclaiming the Gospel today is not easy; so many reject Christ and his teachings and the Church he founded. Many people, for different reasons, experience being 'locked in' in their own lives, maybe living in fear, and yet wanting to experience liberation and peace. When we look back to what the first disciples encountered we find great reason for hope. If the Holy Spirit could work such wonders in them and through them, then surely he can do great things in us and through us if we allow him.

In today's second reading St Paul says that "no one can say, 'Jesus is Lord' unless they are under the influence of the Holy Spirit". He goes on to say that there is a variety of gifts, but always the same Spirit; there are all sorts of service to be done, but always to the same Lord; working in all sorts of different ways in different people. It is the same God who is working in all of us. Let us ask the Spirit to make us aware of the gifts we have received and to appreciate the different gifts in other people. Realizing that we all have different gifts, we are invited to work together using our gifts, to build up and to serve the needs of our parish community to which we belong. We have been gifted with the Holy Spirit and the Lord continues to work wonders in and through us.

Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful and kindle in us the fire of your love!

## *We Stand for God*

Calling cantors, choirs, music groups and people of Cork to unite as one voice on Sunday, June 11th, to celebrate together the



The voices of Cork are invited to join our city's Corpus Christi Procession as one group. The 'Corpus Christi Choir' will gather at the Cathedral of St Mary and St Anne from 2:30pm. The Procession will depart the Cathedral at 3pm proceeding to Ss. Peter & Paul's Church, where Bishop Fintan will preach the homily and conclude the celebration with Benediction. We will sing in unison, together with the Butter Exchange Band, the following hymns: Individuals or groups can register their interest in participation (via the hyperlink <https://forms.gle/bkApJiEkK8TWtUDf9> or to [music@corkandross.org](mailto:music@corkandross.org)) to help us prepare, but all are welcome on the day to join the Corpus Christi choir.



Nearer my God to Thee, O Sacrament Most Holy, Sweet Sacrament Divine, Soul of my Saviour, Sweet Heart of Jesus, We stand for God, How Great thou Art and Faith of our Fathers, O Salutaris Hostia, Tantum Ergo, Though we are many & The Joy of Love

### *Family of Parishes*

The third Prayer service will take place in St. James Church, Ballinora on Tuesday the 30th. May at 7.30 p.m. As it will be the Tuesday following Pentecost Sunday, it will be a Reflection on The Fruits of the Holy Spirit in our lives.

### *Pentecost Sunday Retreat Afternoon (Free Event)*

Rochestown Park Hotel, 28th May 2.30p.m. - 6.30p.m. (Tea/Coffee provided)  
This retreat will interweave Music, Meditation, Poetry, Scripture and Ritual. The afternoon hosted by Martina Lehane Sheehan and the Ruah Retreat Team will also draw from Martina's new book 'The Promise' which portrays the courageous journey of her husband's illness and death. This unique experience offers connection to anyone who knows broken dreams and seeks to rise again.

Please note new Emergency/Priest on Duty in Parish Number is: 087 4021357

*Send forth your Spirit, O Lord and renew the face of the earth.*

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† IN SYMPATHY †  
PLEASE PRAY FOR THE FAMILY AND FRIENDS OF THE RECENTLY DECEASED :  
Damien O'Brien, Castle Park.  
Denis O'Sullivan, Ballincollig.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE REPOSE OF THE SOULS OF THE FOLLOWING WHOSE ANNIVERSARY OCCURS:  
Patrick O'Driscoll, Castle Park.  
Michael Quealy, Kilnaglogy.  
Elise Wilson, Commons Road.  
Tom Murphy, Mallow.  
John & Eleanor O'Mahony, Castletownbere.  
Eileen Foley, Coachford.  
Mamie & William Kavanagh, East Gate.  
Joe Kavanagh, Parknamore.  
Josephine O'Connell, Inniscarra View.  
Frank Cleary, Muskerry Estate.  
Thomas (Tom) Cleary, Ontario/Muskerry Estate.  
Catherine Moroney, Muskerry.  
Sadie Cleary, Ballincollig, Cork / Ferns, Wexford  
Dan Butler, Clash Road.  
Martin Canny, Leesdale.  
Jennifer Forde, Carriganarra.

First Reading: Acts: 2:1-11  
When the day of Pentecost had come, the disciples were all together in one place. And suddenly from heaven there came a sound like the rush of a violent wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of them. All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability.

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 12:3-7, 12-13  
The apostle Paul wrote that there are many gifts but the same Spirit, different ministries but the same Lord.

Gospel: John 20:19-23  
Jesus appeared and told the disciples, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you. Receive the Holy Spirit."

### Deacons in Cork & Ross

The Diocese of Cork & Ross invites those who feel a call to be deacons to make contact with its' Co-Ordinator of the Permanent Diaconate, Fr. Bernard Cotter, Co-PP, Union Hall, by text or WhatsApp on 087 901 0627. Full information on the role of deacons is given on our diocesan website ([www.corkandross.org/vocation/the-permanent-diaconate](http://www.corkandross.org/vocation/the-permanent-diaconate).) Please pray that those called to the ministry may respond positively.

### Faith and Freedom

Alpha continues in the "Annex" of the Ballincollig Community Hall at 7.30, Thursday 1st June. Next session "How Can I Make the Most of the Rest of My Life?" and "How Can I Resist Evil?"  
Contacts 086 8200933 087 2185282 085 1555000

### Ballincollig Church Cantor

Tony O'Brien available with accompanist  
To sing at funerals and weddings in Ballincollig.  
Tel. No.: 085 706 7564

#### READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Eight Week In Ordinary Time

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

29 Monday Gn 3:9-15, 20 Lect II:1421 or Acts 1:12-14. Lect II:1434 Ps 87:1-2, 3, 5, 6-7, R/ v 3. Jn 19:25-34. cf. Lect II:1449

30 Tuesday Eccles. (Sir) 35:1-12. Ps. 49. Mk. 10:28-31. Lect II: 96

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

01 Thursday Eccles. (Sir) 42:15-25. Ps. 32. Mk. 10:46-52. Lect II: 100

02 Friday Eccles. (Sir) 44:1, 9-13. Ps. 149. Mk. 11:11-29 Lect II: 103

03 Saturday Eccles. (Sir) 51:12-20. Ps. 18. Mk. 11:27-33. Lect II: 105

04-June-2023 Ex. 34:4-6, 8-9. Ps. Dan. 3. 2 Pet. 13:11-13. Jn. 3:16-18. Lect II: 611

### Mass Times for week ahead

St. Mary & St. John		Christ Our Light
8:30 am & 10 am	Sunday	11 am & 12:30 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 & 7:30 pm	Friday	8:30 am
6 pm (Vigil)	Saturday	7:30 pm (Vigil)

#### 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.

##### Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

There will be Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament at 3 p.m. until 4 p.m. In St. Mary & St. John's Church every Friday.

##### Meditation

Meditation continues every Tuesday in Ballincollig Community Hall after 9.30am Mass. Please feel free to join any Tuesday.

##### Rosary

Family Rosary is on every Sunday at 9.15am in St. Mary & St. John Church.

##### First Holy Communion

Congratulations to the boys and girls in Gaelscoil an Caisleán who received the sacrament of Holy Communion this weekend. Sincere thanks to the parents and dedicated teachers who work diligently preparing young people for the sacrament.

##### First Friday

Friday 2nd June is the first Friday of the month. There is Mass in St Mary & St John on Friday evening at 7.30pm. 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.

### All Ireland Rosary Rally in Knock

The All Ireland Rosary Rally will take place on Saturday June 3rd from 1pm in Knock. It will include Holy Mass, the Rosary, the Stations of the Cross and a talk by Bishop Oliver Doeme. The Main Celebrant for the Holy Mass is Archbishop Eamon Martin. Buses will leave from all over Cork. Please book your seat early to avoid disappointment.

Ring John Joe: 087 130276

### Lough Derg Pilgrimage

4 day Pilgrimage 2023. Leaves Cork Fri. 9th June at 9am.

Returning Mon 12th June. Booking & Information

Phone Paddy 021 4502572.