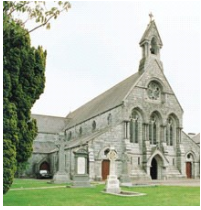


# THE BALLINCOLLIG PARISHIONER



St. Mary & St. John  
Station Road

**Sunday 22-October-2023**

**Twenty Ninth Sunday In Ordinary Time**

*Mission Sunday*

*The enemies of Jesus try to put him on the horns of a dilemma. Would he offend the Roman occupiers or the sensitive Jewish nationalism. Jesus rises above the situation by reminding them, that God is the supreme authority but yet we all have duties to the civic society in which we live.*



**Christ Our Light  
Innishmore**

## **Synod Journey**



Synod Journey continues, you may remember in the Spring of 2021 we participated by giving our views on the future of the church, now in October the second phase will begin in Rome on the 4th. Pope Francis says there will be no Synod without prayer.... A candle will be lit in both churches during the celebration of all Masses and Exposition on a Friday. For further information see the Irish Synodal pathway. There is plenty of information online. Communion participation and Mission are the key aspects. 300 participants will gather in Rome, 120 have been chosen by Pope Francis, of whom there are 54 women, some Bishops, Eastern Church. All participants will have voting rights, a first for the Catholic Church. Please pray for its success. The third phase will be in October 2024.

## **Special Remembrance Mass**

There will be a Special Mass to remember all our loved ones who died during the past year on Friday 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.

## **Youth 2000 Munster Regional Retreat**

Youth 2000 Munster regional retreat will take place on the 20th – 22nd of October in Midleton C.B.S Secondary School, Co Cork. If you are 16-35 register today on [www.youth2000.ie](http://www.youth2000.ie) for a FULL WEEKEND of adoration, talks, prayer, and time together. stay and eat on site – just register and bring a sleeping bag, and as always it's donation only. If you have any queries please email Emma at [office@youth2000.ie](mailto:office@youth2000.ie)

## **Life Love Loss - An Online Afternoon Retreat**

Sunday 5th November 3p.m. - 6p.m. A sacred time to honour our losses and remember our loved ones. Input, Scriptural Reflections, Music, Meditation & Remembrance Service. Martina Lehane Sheehan with Fr. Ronald Rolheiser OMI. For further information & booking: [www.ruahrest.com](http://www.ruahrest.com) or Email: [info@ruahrest.com](mailto:info@ruahrest.com) - Donation: €20.

## **Ballincollig Family Resource Centre**

Men's social group every Tuesday. Just drop in between 2.00pm – 3.00pm. All welcome. Tea, coffee, biscuits and good company. Call 021-4876295 or email [info@Ballincolligfrc.org](mailto:info@Ballincolligfrc.org)

## **Reflection for Parents**

This Week's Gospel is about staying true to God in our lives. In it Jesus asks us to keep God at the centre of our hearts. There are times in life when we do not know what to do or what choice to make or how to do the right thing because we are going against the fashion, the gang or a dare. This takes courage, by trying to keep a connection with Jesus through prayer and a sense of God in our hearts we will always have help and support at hand. Sometimes we can get into debates with our children similar to the one Jesus had with the chief priests and Pharisees. Children often wear us down with their relentless arguing. We would do well as parents to imitate Jesus' simple and straightforward response.

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

**Give the Lord glory and power.**

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† IN SYMPATHY †

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

Dr. Kevin Robert, Medical Centre Link Road/Ballincollig/Glanmire.

Derry Barry-Murphy, Greenfields.

Robert Barrett, Beech Park.

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

Kevin Rooney, Park Road.

Kathleen Horgan, Castle Park.

Katrina Horgan/Heaphy, Castle Park.

Joe Kavanagh, Parknamore Heights.

Gertrude & Michael Riordan, Glasheen Road.

Gerard & Chris Linehan, Ballyvolane.

Anna Donovan, Inniscarra.

Lawrence Renshaw.

Michael, Rita & David Barry, Ladysbridge.

Conor Quinlan, Glanworth.

Jim & Katie-Ellen O’Grady, Sligo.

John & Ellen Beamish, Clonakilty.

Ted O’Regan, Muskerry Estate.

First Reading: Isaiah 45:1.4-6

The liberation of Jerusalem's exiles is a sovereign act of God through a human instrument. The prophet explicitly identifies Cyrus as the one to affect this liberation. Cyrus is called God's anointed even if the true God was to him an unknown God. Nevertheless, the Israelites saw the hand of God through Cyrus.

Second Reading: 1 Thess 1:1-15

For a young Church faced with persecution, the Thessalonians have given evidence of Christian living, which could be a model for every Christian Church: faith in action, expressed in charity, and enduring with hope. These fundamental virtues express the continuity of past-present-future in Christian life.

Gospel: Mt 22:15-21

Christian life is not divisible into the secular and the sacred, as if things we do for the State have nothing to do with God. Jesus is not thinking of God and Caesar as two powers, who can exact their rights from their subjects. Any system - political, economic, religious, social-as long as they are just reflect the values of the kingdom of God.

**Christ Our Light Gathering**

Celebrate with us: on Tuesday 24th of October at 7.30 p.m. Our Family of Parishes: Ballinora, Ballincollig, Farran and Ovens. This time we will gather in Christ Our Light Church. Come and join our faith community as we explore our Mission in scripture, prayer song and input from people with practical missionary experience. It will be possible to watch online @ <https://www.churchservices.tv/ballincolligchristourlight>

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Twenty Ninth Week In Ordinary Time

22 Sunday Is 45:1, 4-6. Ps 95:1, 3-5, 7-10, R/ v 7. 1 Th 1:1-5. Mt 22:15-21. Lect I:714

23 Monday Rom. 4:20-25. Ps. Lk. 1: 69- 75. Lk. 12: 13-21. Lect II: 376

24 Tuesday Rom. 5:12,15,11-19. Ps. 39. Lk. 12:35-38. Lect II:378

25 Wednesday Rom. 6:12-18. Ps. 123. Lk. 12:39-48. Lect II: 380

26 Thursday Rom. 6:19-23. Ps. 1. Lk. 12:49-53. Lect II: 382

27 Friday Rom. 7:18-25. Ps. 118. Lk. 12:54-59. Lect II: 384

28 Saturday Eph. 2:19-22. Ps. 18. Lk. 6:12-19. Lect II:1242

29-October-2023 Ex 22:20-26. Ps 17:2-4, 47, 51, R/ v 2. I Th 1:5-10.- Mt 22:34-4 Lect I:717

**Mass Times for week ahead**

St. Mary & St. John		Christ Our Light
8:30 am & 10 am	<b>Sunday</b>	11 am & 12:30 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
6 pm (Vigil)	<b>Saturday</b>	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.

**Family Rosary**

Family Rosary will be organised on Sundays at 9.15am in St. Mary & St. John church. All families are very welcome to join and teach their children this special prayer to Our Lady during the month of October.

**Envelope Collection Mission Sunday**

Envelope collection for the propagation of the faith will be taken up at all Masses this weekend 21st & 22nd October.

**Cemetery Masses**

Mass in St. Oliver's Cemetery Sat. November 4th at 2pm.

Mass in St. Mary & St. John's Cemetery Sat. November 11th at 12 noon.

The blessing of the graves at St. James Cemetery, Chetwynd, Togher (off Bandon Road) will take place on Sunday, 5th November at 3.00p

**The November Novena for the Holy Souls**

2nd – 10th November inclusive - There will be weekday morning Masses as usual in both churches during the Novena: 8.30am in Christ our Light and 9.30am in St. Mary & St. John. There will also be evening Mass at 7.30pm in St. Mary & St John's church each day except Saturday and Sunday.

**Offertory Collection Boxes**

The Offertory Collection is solely for the upkeep, maintenance, insurance, lighting, heating and related expenses of both churches. Could the people who have a box number allocated to them, please collect them from Sonas House Mon. – Wed. 9.30am – 12.30pm? Postcode: P31 V443.