

THE BALLINCOLLIG PARISHIONER



St. Mary & St. John
Station Road

Sunday 06-November-2022

Thirty Second Sunday in Ordinary Time.

Christian hope overcomes the fear of death. God is faithful: not only does he strengthen us against evil in this life, but will give eternal life to all who try to imitate his faithfulness.



Christ Our Light
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Families of Parishes

On Thursday evening October 20th Parishioners of Ballinora, Ballincollig and Ovens/Farran united in prayer as one of the newly created Families of Parishes.

It was a good start, a first step on the journey as we want to build a real family, where everyone is welcome and there is a place for everyone.

More than 100 people gathered in St. Mary's and St. John's Church in Ballincollig to pray together The Rosary for World Peace. They were welcomed by Sr. Nan O'Mahony who also gave a lovely reflection on Our Lady. Then the Rosary started. Each decade was led by a rep of a different community and followed by a hymn sung by one of the choirs. There were choirs from Ovens, Ballinora and Ballincollig involved.

Some children brought roses to the statue of Our Lady. It was a really prayerful and powerful time and a great opportunity to meet people from the Family after some years or for the first time. Those present enjoyed the prayer and time spent together.

Huge thank you to all involved in preparations for the event: the members of Ballincollig Parish Council who made posters, decorations, contacted the leaders of each community. Thank you to the teenagers involved: Smrithi and David, individuals and rosary groups from different communities, the choirs with their conductors and the organist. All of them made that evening really special. The service finished with a few words of thanks by Fr. Kamil, the blessing given by all the priests present and a huge round of applause for each and every one from the Family of Parishes.

As the final hymn the whole congregation sang "Lady of Knock" asking for the intercession of the Golden Rose, Queen of Ireland and Queen of Peace and praying for world peace which is so badly needed at this time.

Everyone leaving Ballincollig church on Thursday night hoped that this was only the beginning of a beautiful tradition of various meetings in each of our communities throughout the year.

Fr. Kamil Bachara

Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed

This past week we commemorated the death of our loved ones. In the Preface for Christian death, we pray: 'Lord, for your faithful people, life is, changed, not ended'. Death is not an end. For the Christian, death is a door, opening to admit his or her soul into eternal life. As we celebrate the sacred, memory of all those dear to us, we pray for their eternal joy and peace. "God, our creator and redeemer, by your power Christ conquered death and, returned to you in glory. May all our loved ones who have gone before us in, faith share his victory and enjoy the vision of your glory, for ever."

I shall be filled, when I awake, with the sight of your glory, O Lord.

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† IN SYMPATHY †
PLEASE PRAY FOR THE FAMILY AND FRIENDS OF THE RECENTLY DECEASED :

Dolores Donovan, Carrigrohane.
Mary Sheehan, Ballincollig & Listowel.
Eibhlín Ní Chríodáin, Muskerry Estate.
Michael Casey, Douglas & Ballincollig.
Nora O'Mahoney, Ballincollig & Kilumney.
Tony Whelan, Rosewood.

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

Abbie McCarthy, Avoncourt.
Brian O'Sullivan.
Jim Butler, Inniscarra.

First Reading: 2 Maccabees 7:1-2, 9-14
The Maccabees were Jewish young men who died for their faith. They knew there would be a resurrection, and they were not afraid to die.

Second Reading: 2 Thessalonians 2:16 - 3:5
In the second reading, we remember that Christ's return is near. God will give strength, and so for us the future holds no fear.

Gospel: Luke 20-27-38
At the time Jesus lived, not everyone believed in resurrection. The Sadducees especially resisted the idea and tried to make Jesus look foolish when they asked who would be the man's wife in heaven. They posed a situation where a woman's husband died. As was the custom of the time, the brother of a deceased man married the widow in order to insure heirs. They predicted that hypothetically if enough husbands died, she could meet seven husbands at her own resurrection. Which one would be her husband in heaven, they wondered? Neither we nor the Sadducees can fully understand life after death, but Jesus asks us to trust that something much greater than our understanding awaits us at the resurrection.

MASS TIMES

St. Mary & St. John		Christ Our Light
8:30 am, 10 am	Sunday	11 am, 12:30 pm
9:30 am & 7:30 pm	Monday	8:30 am
9:30 am & 7:30 pm	Tuesday	8:30 am
9:30 am & 7:30 pm	Wednesday	8:30 am
9:30 am & 7:30 pm	Thursday	8:30 am
9:30 am	Friday	8:30 am
10:00 am & 6 pm (Vigil)	Saturday	7:30 pm (Vigil)

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 Second Week In Ordinary Time

06 Sunday 2 Macc. 7:1-2, 9-14. Ps. 16. 2 Thess. 2:16-3:5. Lk. 20:27-38. Lect I: 930

07 Monday Tit 1:1-9. Ps. 23. Lk. 17:1-6. Lect II: 862

08 Tuesday Tit 2:1-8, 11-14. Ps 36. Lk 17:7-10. Lect II: 864

09 Wednesday Ezek. 47:1-2, 8-9, 12. Ps. 45. 1 Cor. 3:9-11, 16-17. Jn. 2:13-22. Lect I: 1006 or Lect II: 1250

10 Thursday Philem. 7-20. Ps. 145. Lk. 17:20-25. Lect II: 869

11 Friday 2 Jn. 4-9. Ps. 118. Lk. 17:26-37. Lect II: 871

12 Saturday 3 Jn. 5-8. Ps. 111. Lk. 18:1-8. Lect II: 873

Bulletin Board

Cemetery Masses

Mass in St Mary's & St John Cemetery Saturday November 12th at 12 noon

The November Novena for the Holy Souls

The Novena continues in both churches until 10th November. 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

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

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.

Blessing of Graves

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

Reflection for Parents

How many countless sentences from our children begin, "What if?" Indeed, the Sadducees were trying to trick Jesus, but in the case of our children, they are eager to learn. Their minds and imaginations work rapidly and it often requires the wisdom and patience of Jesus to keep pace with these inquisitive and curious gifts.