

PARISHES NEWSLETTER

Skibbereen and Rath & the Islands

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Skibbereen: - Chair; Anita Henderson; Vice Chairperson: Dolores Ruane; Secretary –Clare Gallagher.

Rath and the Islands: - Chair – Maeve Devlin; Secretary – Annette Cadogan.

Parish Newsletter and website notices - Please note newsletter editorial email skibrathisnews@gmail.com Notices for insertion should be concise (about 30 words) and may contain information about non-commercial matters. Written notices may be sent to the Parish Office not later than Wednesday evening for inclusion in the following week's newsletter. Please see the Parishes website for full guidelines: www.skibbereenandrath.ie

Saturday 13th November - 32nd Week in Ordinary Time

4.45pm Sherkin - Special Intention

6.30pm Skibbereen – Catherine Hickey, Schull Road

7.30pm Rath - Sean Hourihane, Ballyalla

Sun 14th November - Thirty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time

9.00am Skibbereen -Ciss Power, Adrigole and Skibbereen

10.15am Rath – Kathleen Scully, Creagh, Baltimore

11.30am Skibbereen - Derry O'Sullivan, Lurriga

Monday 15th - St Albert the Great, bishop and doctor of the Church

9.30am Skibbereen – No morning Mass: in-service day for Clergy

10.15am Rath - No morning Mass: in-service day for Clergy

Tuesday 16th November - St Margaret of Scotland

10.15am Rath - No morning Mass: in-service day for Clergy

Wednesday 17th November - St Elizabeth of Hungary

9.30am Skibbereen – No morning Mass: in-service day for Clergy

10.15am Rath - No morning Mass: in-service day for Clergy

Thursday 18th - DEDICATION OF THE BASILICAS OF SS PETER AND PAUL

10.15am Rath – No morning Mass: in-service day for Clergy

Friday 19th November - 33rd Week in Ordinary Time

9.30am Skibbereen - John, Josephine, Terri & John Joe O'Sullivan, North St, Skibbereen

7.30pm Rath – Rath & The Islands Autumn Station Area Mass

Saturday 20th November - 33rd Week in Ordinary Time

4.45pm Sherkin - Special Intention

6.30pm Skibbereen –Liam Calnan, Coolnagarrane

7.30pm Rath - Ellen & Daniel Davis and

Mary & George Walsh, Lackahane

Sun 21st Nov -Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

9.00am Skibbereen -David Hourihane, Lough Hyne Road

10.15am Rath– Joan Collins, Lahern, Baltimore

11.30am Skibbereen - Charlie McCarthy, Chapel Lane

Rath: Station Mass: Mass for Rath and the Islands station areas will take place on Friday November 19th at 7.30pm. (Please note there will be no morning Mass in Rath on Friday Nov 19th) There has been no collection for Clergy income since last Easter. Envelopes for the 'Autumn Stations' are available in all church porches. If you are unable to attend the Mass on Friday Nov 19th. Please return the Autumn Station envelope to the Church Sacristy or the Parish Office. Thank you for your generosity from Fr Michael and Fr Evin.

Feasts this week

15th: St Albert the Great, c. 1206 -80, the Dominican theologian, who taught in Cologne, was called the 'Universal Doctor' for the vast range of his interests. Patron of scientists
16th: St Margaret, 1045-93, wife of Malcolm III, King of Scotland, helped by her example and influences the work of reform in the Church.

17th: St Elizabeth of Hungary, 1207-31, queen at fourteen, widowed and exiled at twenty, Franciscan tertiary until her death at twenty-four. A woman of prayer and service of the poor.

18th: St Peter's Basilica, consecrated in 1626, and St Paul's Outside-the-Walls in 1854, both replaced older churches erected in the fourth century over the tombs of the apostles Peter and Paul. The dedications of these churches have been commemorated together on this day since the twelfth century.

November Cemetery Prayers

Fr Michael Kelleher and Fr Evin O'Brien will lead November Prayers in the graveyards of the Parishes.

Skibbereen and Rath on Sunday, 21st November

Rath: Tullagh 11.00am and Creagh 11.45am

Skibbereen: Convent Cemetery 9.45am, Chapel Lane 10am, St Patrick's Cemetery, Coronea 2.30pm and Abbeystrewry Cemetery 3.15pm.

Changes to Mass schedule in the Cathedral and Sacred Heart Church, Rath

From Monday November 22nd weekday Masses in the Cathedral will be on Monday to Friday at 9.30am and in Rath on Monday, Wednesday and Friday mornings at 10.15am. More stewards are needed to help out at the additional Masses scheduled in the Cathedral.

If you would like to get involved please leave your contact details into the Sacristy or Parish Office.

Next week, beginning Sunday evening November 14th and continuing until Thursday lunchtime November 18th, the priests of the diocese are attending an inservice in Killarney. Titled 'Stepping stones to a new future' it will be facilitated by Maria Garvey and Judith King. There will be no morning Masses Monday to Thursday. We thank Fr Joe Coughlan who has made himself available for any Funeral Masses that may occur.

Marriages: At least 3 months' notice; Please contact one of the priests or the office for further information.

Baptisms: Please contact the parish office (028 22828)to arrange your Child's baptism.

Rosary: each Tuesday evening at 8.00pm at the Grotto, Cork Rd

Confessions - Skibbereen - Saturday morning at 10.15am

Eucharistic Adoration - In the Cathedral - every Saturday morning from 10am to 11am

Priest on Duty
 this week:
 Fr Michael
 Emergency only
086-7852262.



The **Papal Basilica of Saint Peter in the Vatican** or simply **Saint Peter's Basilica** is a church built in the Renaissance style located in Vatican City, the papal enclave that is within the city of Rome. It was initially planned by Pope Nicholas V and then Pope Julius II to replace the aging Old St. Peter's Basilica, which was built in the 4th century by Roman emperor Constantine the Great. Construction of the present basilica began on 18 April 1506 and was completed on 18 November 1626.

Designed principally by Donato Bramante, Michelangelo, Carlo Maderno and Gian Lorenzo Bernini, St. Peter's is the most renowned work of Renaissance architecture and the largest church in the world by interior measure. While it is neither the mother church of the Catholic Church nor the cathedral of the Diocese of Rome (these equivalent titles being held by the Archbasilica of Saint John Lateran in Rome), St. Peter's is regarded as one of the holiest Catholic shrines. It has been described as "holding a unique position in the Christian world" and as "the greatest of all churches of Christendom." Catholic tradition holds that the basilica is the burial site of Saint Peter, chief among Jesus's apostles and also the first Bishop of Rome (Pope). Saint Peter's tomb is supposedly directly below the high altar of the basilica, also known as the *Altar of the Confession*. For this reason, many popes have been interred at St. Peter's since the Early Christian period. St. Peter's is famous as a place of pilgrimage and for its liturgical functions. The pope presides at a number of liturgies throughout the year both within the basilica or the adjoining St. Peter's Square; these liturgies draw audiences numbering from 15,000 to over 80,000 people. St. Peter's has many historical associations, with the Early Christian Church, the Papacy, the Protestant Reformation and Catholic Counter-reformation and numerous artists, especially Michelangelo. As a work of architecture, it is regarded as the greatest building of its age. St. Peter's is one of the four churches in the world that hold the rank of major basilica, all four of which are in Rome. Contrary to popular misconception, it is not a cathedral because it is not the seat of a bishop; the *cathedra* of the pope as Bishop of Rome is at Saint John Lateran.

https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/St._Peter%27s_Basilica

St VINCENT DE PAUL. CONTACT NUMBER; 087 9182698:

ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS —TEL; 087 6114946

Suicide Prevention Helpline 1800 742 745: a free phone helpline opens daily from 6.00pm — 10.00pm for people who are feeling suicidal or equally for a family member or friend who is concerned about someone.

Living Links —supporting the relatives and other survivors of suicide: Tom Corcoran 085 2445575,

https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/St._Peter%27s_Basilica tomcorcoran@westcorklivinglinks.ie

West Cork Women against Violence Helpline: 1800203136

West Cork Carers Support Group: The Round Tower, Main Street, Bantry, Tel; 02753848. Are you looking after a dependant family member, neighbour or friend? Check for support, courses and advice.

Crisis or Unplanned Pregnancy Support and Counselling; CURA – 1850622626; www.cura.ie

South Doc: 1850 335 999

Recently Baptised

Cian John Collins, Coronea

God our Father, You always work to save us, and now we rejoice in the great love you give to your chosen people. Protect all who have become your children, and continue to bless those who are already baptised.

Medjugorje pilgrimage June 15th to 22nd

2022 flying Cork to Dubrovnik (morning flight) with Aer Lingus staying in Hotel Leone. Spiritual Director Fr. Ted Sheehan. Cost pps €699.00 half board if booked and paid in full by December 10th, €749.00 thereafter. Deposit of €250.00 secures place. COVID insurance cover included in cost. Contact Sean O'Shaughnessy 0862959380

An Act of Spiritual Communion - My Jesus, I

believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen

West Cork Choral Singers presents Sacred

Music. An evening of music, poetry and reflection for all those affected by the pandemic. Reflection led by Rev. Jane Killingbeck, readings by Pat Bracken and Soprano Soloist Ciara Walsh. Friday 26th November 8pm. at All Saints Church, Drimoleague and Saturday 27th November 8pm. at St. Fachtna's Cathedral, Rosscarbery. Free entry with retiring collection.

Recently Married

Anne Marie Dwyer and Martin Whooley

Blessed are you Lord our God, King of the Universe, bless each day of their married life. Renew your blessing within them, as they choose each day, by your grace, to be a living sign of your eternal love.

Skibbereen Geriatric Society are holding

their annual Christmas draw on Friday December 17th at 12.30pm. All support would be greatly appreciated. Please return all tickets before Thursday 16th December to Cara House, Market Street.