

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 – Maev 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 6th November 2021 - ALL THE SAINTS OF IRELAND

4.45pm Sherkin - Novena - All Souls

6.30pm Skibbereen – Novena - All Souls

7.30pm Rath - Novena - All Souls

Sun 7th Nov - Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

9.00am Skibbereen - Novena - All Souls

10.15am Rath – Novena - All Souls

11.30am Skibbereen - Novena - All Souls

Monday 8th November - 32nd Week in Ordinary Time

9.30am Skibbereen – Novena - All Souls

7.30pm Rath - Novena - All Souls

Tuesday 9th November - The Dedication of the Lateran Basilica

9.30am Skibbereen - Novena - All Souls

7.30pm Rath – Novena - All Souls

Wednesday 10th - St Leo the great, pope and doctor of the Church

9.30am Skibbereen – Novena - All Souls

7.30pm Rath - Novena - All Souls

Thursday 11th November - St Martin of Tours, bishop

10.15am Rath – Kate O'Brien, Upper Bridge Street

Friday 12th November - St Josaphat, bishop and martyr

9.30am Skibbereen - Molly O'Meara, Mardyke Street

10.15am Rath - Rita Kinoulty, Late of Drimoleague and London

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 7th Nov - 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

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

9th: The Church of St John on the Lateran in Rome is 'Mother and Head of all the churches of the City and the World'. It is the cathedral church of the Bishop of Rome and was called 'St John' after the two monasteries once attached, dedicated to St John the Divine and St John the Baptist. It is however dedicated to the Most Holy Saviour.

10th: St Leo the Great, died 461, taught the two natures, human and divine, of Christ at the Council of Chalcedon, 451, and the primacy of the See of Peter.

11th: St Martin of Tours, 335-97, Bishop of Tours, apostle of rural Gaul, founder of monasteries. Patron of France, soldiers, beggars, and innkeepers.

12th: St Josaphat, 1580-1623, Bishop of Polotz, worked for the reunion of Ukranian Catholics; his murder by those who opposed it brought about many conversions.

November Novena

November Novena continues in Skibbereen at 9.30am and in Rath at 7.30pm until Wednesday November 10th in our parishes.

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.

Candle in the Wind Ceremony - Thank you to Declan McCarthy and his Team for organising and for bringing the community of Skibbereen together for the 'Candle in the Wind Vigil', in remembrance of all those who have died during the Covid Pandemic.

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 Evin

Emergency only

086-7852262.

New Cork and Ross Diocesan Funeral Arrangements

In the past two weeks Cork and Ross Diocese has had the meetings with Clergy, Funeral Directors and Parish Funeral Team Members, to explain the new arrangements for funerals.

The Main Changes Are:

There will be no Sunday Funerals from now on.

There will be 'Vigil for the Deceased' prayers either at the Family Home or Funeral Home. (This will not be followed by removal to the church)

There will be no opportunity to sympathise with the family in the church.

Further details on <https://corkandross.org/diocesan/funeral-ministry-to-be-provided-in-parishes-by-a-team-of-people-including-clergy/>

Prayer for Vocations Heavenly Father, we praise you and we thank you for all that you have done for us. We thank you especially for sending your Son, Jesus Christ, to visit and save us. Give courage to those whom you invite to become priests and religious, and grant them the generosity of mind and heart to follow your call.

May they bring good news to our world today.

We ask this through Jesus Christ, our Lord. *Amen*

Martin of Tours (Latin: *Sanctus Martinus Turonensis*; 316 – 8 November 397) was the third bishop of Tours. He has become one of the most familiar and recognizable Christian saints in France, heralded as the patron saint of the Third Republic, and is patron saint of many communities and organizations across Europe. A native of Pannonia (in modern central Europe), he converted to Christianity at a young age. He served in the Roman cavalry in Gaul, but left military service at some point prior to 361, when he became a disciple of Hilary of Poitiers, establishing the monastery at Ligugé. He was consecrated as Bishop of Caesarodunum (Tours) in 371. As bishop, he was active in the suppression of the remnants of Gallo-Roman religion, but he opposed the violent persecution of the Priscillianist sect of ascetics.

His life was recorded by a contemporary hagiographer, Sulpicius Severus. Some of the accounts of his travels may have been interpolated into his *vita* to validate early sites of his cult. He is best known for the account of his using his military sword to cut his cloak in two, to give half to a beggar clad only in rags in the depth of winter. His shrine in Tours became a famous stopping-point for pilgrims on the road to Santiago de Compostela in Spain. His cult was revived in French nationalism during the Franco-Prussian War of 1870/1, and as a consequence he was seen as a patron saint of France during the French Third Republic.

https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Martin_of_Tours

St Patrick's Cathedral Skibbereen are looking for volunteer cleaners. If you have an hour a month to help clean our beautiful cathedral, please contact Frances 086/3706615. "Many hands make light work"

**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, 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

Ministry to the Bereaved:

A Mission for us all - A resource booklet which is prepared by the diocese is available to all parishes. This contains texts for use in planning the funeral rites with the Parish Funeral Ministry Team.

For details see 2021 © *Diocese of Cork and Ross*

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A Message about Safeguarding

Due to the pandemic and the caution needed the Safeguarding Office of the Diocese has decided to run training on Zoom. However, if this not does not suit anybody, please let me know and we can sort out a small group face to face.

Refresher training (every 3 years)

This training is for those who have a ministry with children, priests, parish reps etc who have done the full days training and require update every 3 years.

We are offering these remaining dates for this training via zoom.

Monday 8th November 7.00 pm – 9.30 pm

Saturday 20th November 11.00 am -1.30 pm

Kind regards

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<http://corkandross.org/diocesan/training-for-safeguarding-is-online-this-autumn/>

Recently Deceased

Anthony (Tony) O'Driscoll, The Cove,
Baltimore

Danny Murphy, Mardyke Road, Skibbereen
and Heir Island.

God of loving kindness, listen favourably to our prayer: strengthen our belief that your Son has risen from the dead and our hope that your servant will also rise again