

PARISHES NEWSLETTER

Skibbereen and Rath & the Islands

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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 26th March 2022 – 3rd Week of Lent

4.45pm Sherkin Island: Special Intention

6.30pm Cathedral: Ina and Martin Satchwell, Glencurragh

7.30pm Rath: Kieran O'Regan, Baltimore

Sunday 27th March Fourth Sunday of Lent (Laetare Sunday)

9.00 am Cathedral: - Teresa O'Donovan & Patricia and Irene Herlihy, Derrylugga

10.00am Cape Clear: - Special Intention

10.15am Rath: - Margaret & Patrick Caverly

11.30am Cathedral: Theresa and Patrick O'Donovan, Lassanaroo

Monday 28th March – 4th Week of Lent

9.30am Cathedral - Patrick Bohane, Drishanebeg

10.15am Rath - Doreen Moloney, Baltimore & Dublin

Tuesday 29th March – 4th Week of Lent

9.30am Cathedral – Gretta Buckley, Crookstown

Wednesday 30th March - 4th Week of Lent

9.30am Cathedral – No Masses – Skibbereen Confirmation

10.15am Rath – No Masses – Skibbereen Confirmation

Thursday 31st March - 4th Week of Lent

9.30am Cathedral - Sadie Walsh, High Street

Friday 1st April – St Ceallach, (Celsus) bishop

9.30am Cathedral – No Masses – Skibbereen Confirmation

10.15am Rath – No Masses – Skibbereen Confirmation

Saturday 2nd April – St Francis of Paola, hermit

4.45pm Sherkin Island: Steve Nolan,

6.30pm Cathedral: Eily May & Richard P Fitzgerald, The Abbey

7.30pm Rath: Charlie & Mary Davis, Ballylynch

Sunday 3rd April - Fifth Sunday of Lent

9.00 am Cathedral: -Lil and Tadhg Harnedy, Poundlick

10.00am Cape Clear: - Special Intention

10.00 am Rath - Margaret Ryan, North Street & Donal Hegarty, Gortnaclohy

11.30am Cathedral - Pat Joe O'Neill Kilnaclasha, & Paddy O'Neill, St Patrick's Place

Changes to the morning Mass Schedule next week

Due to the Confirmations in Skibbereen parish this week. There will be no morning Mass in St Patrick's Cathedral, Skibbereen and Sacred Heart Church, Rath on Wednesday March 30th & Friday April 1st.

Feasts this week

1st: St Ceallach (Celsus) was born in 1080. He became Abbot of Armagh in 1105 and was ordained priest. He was influenced by the reform then in progress in Munster. He presided at the Synod of Rathbreasail in 1111. In 1129, on a visitation of Munster, he died and is buried in Lismore in accordance with his own request. (See over)

2nd: St Francis of Paola was born in Calabria in 1416. He was a hermit and attracted others to his way of life, later called the Order of Minims. He died at Tours in France in 1507.

The Irish Bishops have asked for a Special Collection to be taken up at Masses on the weekend of **26th & 27th March** next to support humanitarian efforts in Ukraine and especially the families and children who have had to flee their homeland in advance of the Russian invasion. The proceeds of this Special Collection will be directed to **Caritas Internationalis**, which is the helping hand of the Church on the ground in the Ukraine and the surrounding region.

Envelopes for the 'Spring Stations' are available in all church porches

Change of Time

Don't forget the clocks go forward one hour on Saturday March 26th at midnight

Spring Town and Country Stations

We invite the parish community to attend the Town and Country Stations on Wednesday, 6th April 2022 at 7:30 PM at St Patrick's Cathedral Skibbereen; whilst it is no longer mandatory to wear a face mask indoors, government guidelines recommend wearing a mask if you are at higher risk of becoming seriously ill if you get COVID-19. Donation envelopes are available in the church porches, and we look forward to seeing you on the night. Dolores Ruane, St Patrick's Cathedral, Parish Assembly

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.

<p>Message from Bishop Fintan, February 2022 Cork and Ross Diocese Responding to Pope Francis Invitation to a Synodal (Listening) Process Bishop Fintan indicated that people in the Diocese will shortly have an opportunity to participate in a broad consultation that will feed into the diocesan submission to the Roman Synod on Synodality next year. It is hoped that all those who wish to participate in that conversation will have an opportunity to do so. Bishop Fintan also noted that this process of conversation, communication and consultation will continue over the coming years as part of the Synod of the Irish Church which is underway</p>	<p>Cellach of Armagh - Coarb Pátraic Following the death of his granduncle Domnall mac Amalgada in August 1105, Cellach succeeded as abbot of Armagh and Coarb Pátraic. The Annals of Ulster notes that this was done "by the choice of the men of Ireland". Unlike his lay predecessors/ancestors, he sought priestly ordination, which Flanagan has described as a "decisive reform step". It was in accordance with the first Synod of Cashel (1101), which had legislated against laymen holding ecclesiastical offices. He received orders Saturday 23 September 1105, on "the feast of Adomnán". It passed six weeks from Domnalls death to Cellachs ordination, it has been suggested by Martin Holland that this delay was in order for the ordination to take place on the Saturday-emberday in September. A number of visitations made by Cellach as bishop (and later archbishop) are recorded in the Irish annals: He visited Cenél nEógain in 1106, Munster in 1106 and 1120, Connacht in 1108 and 1116, and Mide in 1110. The records of the visitations are followed by formulas such as "and he obtained a full tribute" or "brought away his full dues", indicating the official character of ecclesiastical submission embedded in such visitation. Cellach also conducted negotiations between rivalling secular rulers, in particular between Muirchertach Ua Briain and the Northern Uí Néill claimant for high-kingship Domnall Ua Lochlainn of the Cenel nEógain. There are records of Cellach making "a year's peace" between these two in the entries of the Annals of Ulster for 1107, 1109 and 1113. During his incumbency the priory of Sts. Peter and Paul at Armagh was re-founded by Imar, the learned preceptor of St. Malachy. This was the first establishment in Ireland into which the Canons Regular of St. Augustine had been introduced. https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Cellach_of_Armagh</p>
<p>Skibbereen Confirmation Skibbereen Parish Confirmation will take place in St Patrick's Cathedral on Wednesday March 30th, at 11am for the Candidates of St Joseph's GNS and Gaelscoil Dr. Uí Shúilleabháin, Skibbereen, Friday April 1st, at 11am for the Candidates of St Patrick's BNS</p>	<p>Rath & The Islands Parish Assembly Meeting held on 1st March 2022. GDPR training identified some areas that need to be followed up. Church Collection Boxes: these will remain at the exits for the present Ministers of the Eucharist & Word: We are looking for new recruits for these essential jobs in Rath. Please contact Maeve Devlin if you are interested. Cleaners: We have a rota of very dedicated volunteers who clean our church on a weekly basis. We are looking for some new people to replace some of our older volunteers who feel it is time to hand over to some younger members of the community. Please contact Maeve Devlin (086 365 6054)</p>
<p>Spring Station Mass for Rath Townlands Station Mass will be in Rath church on Tuesday night April 5th at 7.30pm Station envelopes are available in all church porches.</p>	<p>Baltimore Rath and the Islands Community Council has organised a Community Walk every Sunday, weather depending, at 11.15am. The family-friendly walk goes around Reengaroga, with a choice of a short or long route. Buggies, bikes and dogs (on a lead) are welcome. It is a great opportunity to catch up with members of the community while at the same time getting exercise! For further updates, check on Facebook, Baltimore Rath, and the Islands Community Council.</p>
<p>Spring Station Mass for Skibbereen Town and Rural Areas Station Mass will be in the Cathedral on Wednesday night April 6th at 7.30pm - Station envelopes are available in all church porches.</p>	<p>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</p>
<p>First Penance Congratulations to the young people who celebrated their First Penance during the past week in Skibbereen</p>	
<p>Sat 9th April 22: Fr Jim Cogley: ‘Releasing the Past’ – Wood you Believe - workshop 10am – 4pm; €65 incl. light lunch; Booking required Nano Nagle Birthplace 022 Secretary (Monday, Wednesday, Friday 10am – 4pm) Nano Nagle Birthplace, Ballygriffin, Mallow, Co P51 CV91 Tel: +353 22 26411, Web: www.nanonaglebirthplace.ie Facebook: https://www.facebook.com/nanonaglebirthplace/</p>	
<p>Recently Deceased Donal O'Sullivan, The Lodge, Baltimore and late of Milleenahorna, Caheragh Mary T McCarthy (nee O'Leary) Lisalohorig, Skibbereen <i>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</i></p>	