

# Skibbereen and Rath & the Islands PARISHES NEWSLETTER

**Priests: Skibbereen and Rath and the Islands Parishes: Fr John Heinhold SPS Co-PP 028 22878, Fr Evin O'Brien CC 028 22877**

**Fr Bernard Cotter Co-PP in Union Hall and Fr. Terry O'Brien Co-PP MSC in Leap. will share the pastoral care of all these parishes.**

Office: 028 22828, E-mail: skibbereeparish@gmail.com- Office Hours: Tues Wed from 10am to 12. Please contact Margaret in advance by leaving a message - on 028 22828 or email skibbereeparish@gmail.com and she will respond to your request during office hours.

**Priest on Duty: Emergency only 086-7852262.**

**Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> Sept 2022 - 25<sup>th</sup> Week in Ordinary Time**

**4.45pm Sherkin – Special Intention**

**6.30pm Cathedral – Catherine Hickey, Schull Road**

**7.30pm Rath – Donal Sheehy, Ballylynch**

**Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> September - Twenty-sixth Sunday in**

**Ordinary Time - St Finbarr, bishop,**

**9.00 am Cathedral – Mary Burchill, Holly Hill**

**10.00am Cape Clear - Special Intention**

**10.15 am Rath – Ailbhe Gallagher**

**11.30 am Cathedral – John & Mary Newman, Ilen Villas**

**Monday 26<sup>th</sup> Sept- Ss Cosmas and Damian, martyrs**

**9.30am Cathedral - Cait Walsh, Shreelane**

**10.15am Rath –Special Intention**

**Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> September – St Vincent de Paul, priest**

**9.30am Cathedral –Maurice Murphy Snr, Drishane**

**Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> September - St Wenceslaus, martyr**

**9.30am Cathedral – Jerry Connolly, Lissanuhig**

**10.15am Rath – Geraldine McMenamin**

**Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> Ss Michael, Gabriel and Raphael, archangels**

**9.30am Cathedral - Kathleen McCarthy, Bawnahow**

John O'Donovan, Carrigafadda - Months Mind

**Friday 30<sup>th</sup> St Jerome, priest and Doctor of the Church**

**9.30am Cathedral -Special Intention**

**10.15am Rath – Denis Cadogan**

**Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> October - St Therese of the Child Jesus,**

**virgin, and doctor of the Church**

**4.45pm – Sherkin – Special Intention**

**6.30pm Cathedral -Jimmy O'Mahony, Newcestown**

**7.30pm Rath – Barty Scully, Creagh**

**Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> October - Twenty-seventh Sunday in**

**Ordinary Time - WORLD MISSION SUNDAY**

**9.00 am Cathedral -Charlie Crowley, Castletownshend**

**10.00am Cape Clear - Special Intention**

**10.15 am Rath - Special Intention**

**11.30 am Cathedral -Noreen Daly, Union Hall and**

Pat O'Donovan Cork Road

## Recently Deceased

Eily May Wall, née Hayes, Mill Road and Late of Lisasaclarig, Skibbereen and Templemore, Co. Tipperary  
*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*

**Notifications of anniversaries:** Please place these in the Sacristy letter box.

**Child Safeguarding:** Contact Telephone: (00353) 0 28 22828 (Parish Office)

Skibbereen - Jacinta Crowley, Theresa Hickey, Eileen Ryan;  
Rath - Maura Collins, Dee Griffiths, Siobhan O'Brien.

**Parish Pastoral Assemblies:** Contact Telephone: 028 22828 (Parish Office)

Skibbereen: - Chair; Dolores Ruane; Secretary – Brigid O'Driscoll.

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

**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

**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

## Feasts this Week

**25<sup>th</sup>: St Finbarr** came to Loch Irce (Gougane Barra) and lived there as a hermit. When disciples gathered round him he moved to Cork at the mouth of the Lee where he founded a monastery which became a famous centre of learning.

**26<sup>th</sup>: Ss Cosmos and Damian,** early martyrs in Syria, patrons of physicians. They were known as the *Anargyri* (the holy moneyless ones) in the East, since they never took money for their medical services.

**27<sup>th</sup>: St Vincent de Paul,** 1580-1660, committed to care of the disadvantaged and the oppressed, founded the Congregation of the Mission (the Vincentians) and the Daughters of Charity (1633), the first sisters to work outside their convents in active service. He is the patron of all charitable works.

**28<sup>th</sup>: St Wenceslaus,** 905-25, Prince of Bohemia, killed by his brother. Patron of brewers.

**29<sup>th</sup>: Gabriel** brought the message to Mary at the Annunciation (patron of tele-communications, radio and TV workers). **Raphael,** guide to Tobias (patron of nurses, physicians, the blind). **Michael** has been venerated as protector of Christians in general and soldiers in particular (patron of radiologists, the sick paratroopers).

**30<sup>th</sup>: St Jerome,** 340-420, translated the Bible into Latin, known as the Vulgate, and wrote commentaries on scripture. Patron of librarians

**1<sup>st</sup> Oct: St Therese of Lisieux.** Marie Francois Therese Martin died at the Carmel in Lisieux on 30 September 1897. She was declared a doctor of the Church by Pope John Paul II in 1997. Patron of missions, florists, aviators and France.



Whatever your reason for getting in touch, if you need support from the Society of Saint Vincent de Paul we are here to help you.

There are a wide range of supports we can offer you, from practical help and advice, to a friendly ear; all in the strictest of confidence. If you are just looking for some general information then why not look at our What We Do section where you can locate all our charity shops, resources centres, hostels, and websites etc. If you cannot find what you are looking for then please send us a general query. Skibbereen Conference Tel: 087 9182698



#### Skibbereen Parish Assembly

An invitation to nominate new members for the Skibbereen Parish Assembly will commence in the next few weeks. We invite you, the parish community, to consider anyone who you think would be interested in contributing their valuable talents, skills, and ideas in playing a part in planning the future of our parish.

Past and present members of the Parish Assembly have continually helped to sustain many of the essential activities of the parish from assisting the clergy in the week to week running of the parish, in the liturgy, promoting faith development, organising special occasions and many other areas of parish life. Parish Assembly members normally serve one term (3 years) but can opt to serve two terms, if they wish to do so.

An in-depth brochure will be made available at all church porches in which the names of nominees can be put forward and more information with regards to the nominations will be announced at all weekend Masses shortly. Please feel free to phone the Parish Office on 028 22828 or email [skibbereenparish@gmail.com](mailto:skibbereenparish@gmail.com) for further details.

#### Coastal Rosary for Faith & Life in Ireland

On **Sunday October 9th**, the annual **Coastal Rosary** will take place at 2.30pm. Join thousands of people from around Ireland to pray the Rosary for Life and Faith at our coasts, grottos, rivers, churches, and other suitable places. Simply sign up a Rosary location at [www.coastalrosaryireland.ie](http://www.coastalrosaryireland.ie) or text your location to 087 278 6552.

#### **Fr Ronan Sheehan (27) was ordained in his own parish church in Newcestown, Co Cork, on Sunday 18 September 2022 in a church packed with family, clergy, parishioners and friends**

This was the West Cork church's first ordination of a priest in its 150 year history.

Fr. Sheehan was ordained by Bishop Fintan Gavin, Bishop of Cork and Ross, and he becomes the youngest priest in the diocese.

The congregation included his parents Bud and Denise Sheehan, his sisters Ciara, Leona, Orlaith and Aoibhe, and extended family.

<https://corkandross.org/>

#### Cathedral

The Cathedral of St. Mary and St. Anne ([www.corkcathedral.ie](http://www.corkcathedral.ie)), overlooks the city from the north side and is the diocesan see. A complete renovation of the historic Cathedral was initiated in 1994 by the late Bishop Michael Murphy. The work, including a reordering of the interior, was completed in 1996 at a cost of €3.25m. The Cathedral, which is known in the north side of the city as the North Chapel, has served the people since 1808.

#### **WORLD MISSION SUNDAY 23rd OCTOBER 2022**

World Mission Sunday is the one Sunday of the year when the entire global Church comes together in support of mission. It is the Holy Father's annual appeal for spiritual and financial support so that the life-giving work of overseas mission and missionaries can continue. This year's theme is 'You Will Be My Witnesses' (Acts 1:8). This weekend, collections will take place in every single parish where the Church is present. It is a moment of universal solidarity when each member of the Church family, regardless of location or background, play their part in supporting each other.

All offerings and donations made on World Mission Sunday become part of the Holy Father's Universal Solidarity Fund. This fund is a lifeline for struggling missionaries and the communities they serve across Africa, Asia and Latin America, where over 1,100 mission dioceses are found. These dioceses are often in remote areas devastated by war and natural disasters or where suppressed communities are just opening up to the life-saving message of Jesus Christ. As these dioceses form and grow, so do their needs. The World Mission Sunday collection offers young dioceses the financial and spiritual assistance they need to help their men, women, and children survive and thrive.

The needs of overseas dioceses vary greatly. Anything from a motor bike so a priest can celebrate Mass in a remote village, to a community hall to allow people to gather and celebrate in safety. Or more urgently, vaccinations and medicines to protect the vulnerable.

In essence, World Mission Sunday:

- Provides Church centred infrastructure by helping communities build schools, clinics, parish halls, and churches
- Prepares the future leaders and carers of the Church by supporting the training of sisters, priests, religious brothers, and catechists
- Supports missionary programmes that protect and care for children's wellbeing by offering safe shelter, healthcare, education, and hope for the future.

Missio Ireland (Pontifical Mission Societies) coordinates World Mission Sunday. We are the Holy Father's official charity for overseas mission; his chosen instrument. for sharing the Gospel and building the Church throughout the world. Through the generosity of parishioners and donors, we can reach out to offer aid to struggling communities helping them to grow and thrive by bringing hope to places where there is often turmoil, poverty and uncertainty. We can provide mission dioceses with the essential support they need to become self-sufficient. Working through the local bishops, churches, and missionary congregations, we ensure resources are distributed equitably and justly, based on need – local church directly helping local church! We thank people for their great generosity and kindness.

*Liturgical Calendar for Ireland 2022*

**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](mailto: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](http://www.cura.ie)

**South Doc: 1850 335 999**