

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

Priest on Duty: Emergency only 086-7852262.

Saturday 15th October 2022 St Therea of Avila, virgin and doctor of the Church

4.45pm Sherkin – Special Intention

6.30pm Cathedral – Agnes O'Mahony, Curragh, May McCarthy, The Abbey, Skibbereen – Months Mind

7.30pm Rath - Ralph Skinner, Rath

Sunday 16th October - Twenty-ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time

9.00 am Cathedral -Derry O'Sullivan, Lurriga

10.00am Cape Clear - Special Intention

10.15 am Rath - No Mass

11.30 am Cathedral -John Hurley, Milland

John Joe Connolly, Lisheenapingina – Months Mind

Monday 17th Oct: St Ignatius of Antioch, bishop and martyr

9.30am Cathedral - Joe Collins, Lissard

10.15am Rath –Isabel Gallagher

Tuesday 18th October - St Luke, evangelist

9.30am Cathedral –Florence and Ellen Crowley, Inchinagotagh

Wednesday 19th October - St Paul of the Cross, priest

9.30am Cathedral – Mary White, Glandore

10.15am Rath –Una and Liam Devlin, Reengaroga

Thursday 20th October - 29th Week in Ordinary Time

9.30am Cathedral -John O'Donovan, Carrigfadda

Friday 21st October - 29th Week in Ordinary Time

9.30am Cathedral -Pat Collins, Lake Marsh

10.15am Rath – Constance Chaplin, Dublin and Baltimore

Saturday 22nd October - St John Paul II pope

4.45pm Sherkin – Special Intention

6.30pm Cathedral –Patrick White, Gortnaclohy

7.30pm Rath - Maureen McCarthy, Bunlick

Sunday 23rd October - Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

9.00am Cathedral -Peter Lynch, High Street

10.00am Cape Clear - Special Intention

10.15am Rath -Patrick and Johanna O'Regan, Reengaroga

11.30am Cathedral -Teddy Hourihane, Lurriga

Recently Deceased

Peggy O'Driscoll, North Street, Skibbereen and formerly of 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

Feasts this Week

17th: St Ignatius, Bishop of Antioch, died a martyr at Rome about 107. He urged Christians to unity in and through the Eucharist and around their local bishop.

18th: Saint Luke was a physician from a Gentile Christian milieu. He was with St Paul on his second missionary journey and during his imprisonment in Rome. After Paul's death he is reputed to have worked in Greece. In art, he is represented by an ox. Patron of butchers, bookbinders, doctors, surgeons, artists and glassworkers.

19th: St Paul of the Cross, 1694-1775, founded the Passionists in Rome, preaching on the Passion of Christ and tending the sick, the dying and the lapsed.

22nd: St John Paul II was pope for over twenty-six years from 22 October 1978, the inauguration of his ministry as universal Pastor of the Church, until his death on 2 April 2005. Ordained Bishop of Krakow in 1958 he took a significant part in the Second Vatican Council. As Bishop of Rome he visited almost all of the Roman parishes and made apostolic journeys to 104 countries, including Ireland, 29 September-2 October 1979.

Autumn Station Mass for Rath and The Islands

will be held for all Station areas on Tuesday 18th October 2022 at 7.30pm in Sacred Heart Church, Rath. Station envelopes are available at all church entrances.

Skibbereen Autumn Station Masses:

A Mass for all the Skibbereen Rural Station Areas will take place on Monday October 17th at 7.30pm in St Patrick's Cathedral, Skibbereen.

A Mass for all the Skibbereen Town Station Areas will take place on Wednesday October 19th at 7.30pm in St Patrick's Cathedral, Skibbereen. You

are all invited to the Presbytery after both Masses for refreshments and a chat.

The Station envelopes are now available in the Cathedral porches.

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

October - Safeguarding Month

The Diocese sees safeguarding training and education as a priority. To maintain high standards and good practice it is essential that relevant Church Personnel, both paid and unpaid, receive appropriate safeguarding training. Our training plans can be found on the Diocesan

website, www.corkandross.org/safeguarding
The diocesan trainers are happy to undertake any safeguarding training that is requested.

The 2021 parish safeguarding audits showed that children's ministry in parishes is slowly returning following the pandemic. We actively encourage children to be involved in the Church and we have developed procedures, policies and forms to assist parishes in this Ministry. For further guidance or assistance with restarting children's ministry, Cleo Yates, Diocesan Director of Safeguarding will be more than happy to assist and can be contacted via the Diocesan Office.

Anam Cara West Cork the organisation that supports bereaved parents, is holding a Parent Evening on Tuesday 18th October at 7:20pm in the Mill Court, Mill Place, Bandon P72 E938. This is a free event and open to all bereaved parents. For further information please contact us on 085 288 88 or info@anamcara.ie

Skibbereen Parish Pastoral Assembly

It is time once again to renew our Parish Pastoral Assembly. The present members have so generosity stayed on in office away over their appointed time. They have worked under very difficult conditions right through the Covid 19 pandemic. They worked tirelessly to keep things going, to keep everyone safe and to get things up and running again as we came out of lockdowns and restrictions. We thank them all so much. Nomination papers for the New Parish Pastoral Assembly, Skibbereen Parish will be distributed in St. Patrick's Cathedral over the next two weekends, 15th/16th October and 22nd/23rd October, at all masses.

Rath and the Islands Parish Assembly

Nominations:

The present Parish Assembly have served their 3 year term and it is now time for nominations from those wishing to serve our Parish for the next 3 years. We are looking for people who care about our Parish, are willing to listen to the views and needs of others, to work closely and creatively with others, to commit their time, talents and energy to the formation process. The nominations forms will be available at the church entrance on the weekend 29th/30th October 2022. A box will be available in the church for return of the completed forms.

St Luke, the writer of the Gospel and the Acts of the Apostles, has been identified with St. Paul's "Luke, the beloved physician" (Colossians 4:14).

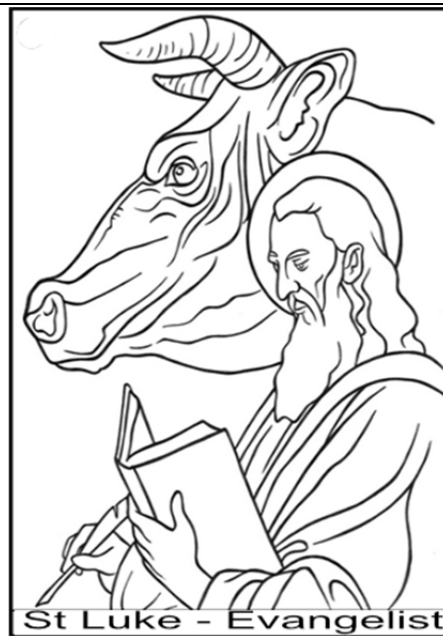
We know few other facts about Luke's life from Scripture and from early Church historians.

It is believed that Luke was born a Greek and a Gentile. In Colossians 10-14 speaks of those friends who are with him. He first

mentions all those "of the circumcision" -- in other words, Jews -- and he does not include Luke in this group. Luke's gospel shows special sensitivity to evangelizing Gentiles. It is only in his gospel that we hear the parable of the Good Samaritan, that we hear Jesus praising the faith of Gentiles such as the widow of Zarephath and Naaman the Syrian (Lk.4:25-27), and that we hear the story of the one grateful leper who is a Samaritan (Lk.17:11-19). According to the early Church historian Eusebius Luke was born at Antioch in Syria.

In our day, it would be easy to assume that someone who was a doctor was rich, but scholars have argued that Luke might have been born a slave. It was not uncommon for families to educate slaves in medicine so that they would have a resident family physician. Not only do we have Paul's word, but Eusebius, Saint Jerome, Saint Irenaeus and Caius, a second-century writer, all refer to Luke as a physician

https://www.catholic.org/saints/saint.php?saint_id=76



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