

S k i b b e r e e n a n d R a t h & t h e I s l a n d s

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 8th October 2022 - 27th Week in Ordinary Time

4.45pm Sherkin – John Norris, Farranacoush

6.30pm Skibbereen – Cornelius and Kate Kissane, Dunbeacon

7.30pm Rath - Johnny Leonard, Reengaroga

Sunday 2nd October - Twenty-eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

9.00 am Cathedral - Paddy O'Shea, Drishanemore

10.00am Cape Clear - Special Intentions

10.15 am Rath -Robert O'Driscoll, Lackahane and Claire O'Neill, Oldcourt

11.30 am Cathedral - Josie Dempsey Shepperton

Monday 10th October - 28th Week in Ordinary Time

9.30am Cathedral - No Mass – Diocesan Retreat

10.15am Rath – No Mass - Diocesan Retreat

Tuesday 11th October - St Canice, abbot

9.30am Cathedral –No Mass – Diocesan Retreat

Wednesday 12th October -

9.30am Cathedral – No Mass – Diocesan Retreat

10.15am Rath –No Mass – Diocesan Retreat

Thursday 13th October -

9.30am Cathedral - No Mass – Diocesan Retreat

Friday 14th October - St Callistus, pope and martyr

9.30am Cathedral - Jerry Connolly, Lissanuhig

10.15am Rath – No Mass

Saturday 15th October - St Theresa 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'Donovan, Lurriga

10.00am Cape Clear - Special Intention

10.15am Rath - No Mass

11.30am Cathedral - John Hurley, Milland
John Joe Connolly, Lisheenapingina – Months Mind

This weekend, the 8th and 9th October, there is a second collection to be taken for the Diocesan Needs. It will be taken up at all masses.

Feasts this Week

11th: St Canice was born in Co. Derry around 527 and died in 603. Though his people were poor, he studied at Clonard under Finnian and at Glasnevin under Mobhi. A deep friendship developed between himself and Columba, with whom he worked for a time in Scotland, where he set up a number of churches. In Ireland his principal foundation was in Aghaboe in Ossory, but this was replaced centuries later by his church in Kilkenny.

14th: St Callistus I, after a life of slavery and imprisonment for criminal offences, was freed and became a deacon in charge of catacombs that bear his name. He became pope in 217, opposed by Hippolytus. Died at the hands of a mob in 222.

15th: St Teresa of Avila, 1515-82, deeply contemplative, highly active and practical, established Carmelite convents under a reformed rule, and wrote much on prayer and the spiritual life. Patron of lacemakers and headache sufferers.

An Invitation to Remember...A Service of Remembrance will be held by Cork University Maternity Hospital, On Friday 14th October 2022 at 7.30pm In the Sacred Heart Church, Western Road, Cork All who have experienced pregnancy or infant loss are welcome to attend The Service of Remembrance will also be live streamed at this link/ QR Code:

<https://www.churchservices.tv/sacredheartcork>

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

Safeguarding

During our safeguarding month in the Diocese, we ask you to keep in your prayers those affected by abuse, violence and war. Using the words of Khalil Gibran 'Safeguarding the rights of others is the most noble and beautiful end of a human being.'

The Diocesan Adult safeguarding Policy (adults at risk of abuse) is available on the Safeguarding pages of the Diocesan website. www.corkandross.org/safeguarding

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.

Almost 100 Young adults (18 - 35 years) from across the Diocese joined Bishop Fintan for CONNECT in UCC in May. We are delighted to announce that you can now register for CONNECT 2 in UCC on Sunday October 16th. The day begins at 10am and ends with Mass at 4pm in the Honan Chapel. It promises to be a great day of faith, fun, food, and sharing. We will explore how we can all become better Missionary Disciples for the Lord. To register simply visit www.corkandross.org

An extract from "Synthesis of the Consultation in Ireland for the Diocesan Stage of the Universal Synod 2021-2023."

Participants expressed much appreciation for our priests. Their dedication, hard work, presence and pastoral care was frequently acknowledged during the consultation process. Many of those responding to the synod recognised that they are over-worked and often feel burdened by the weight of governance and administration. In the submissions, there is a lot of concern expressed for our ageing clergy. The role of the priest is valued and will continue to play an essential part in communities of faith. Some participants were concerned that some younger priests are very traditional and rigid in their thinking and may not have the requisite skills for co-responsible leadership. There were calls for better training for our clergy. Priests need to be formed in the skills required to minister and lead in a synodal Church. Some priests themselves said they would need this assistance. Others are reluctant to let go of long-held roles. Others are feeling "edged out" with diminishing power and relevancy.

<https://corkandross.org/news?start=10>

Recently Baptised

Ted Daniel Culhane, Ardagh East, Rosscarbery
Sally Mary Culhane, Ardagh East, Rosscarbery
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.

Cainnech of Aghaboe (515/16–600), also known as Saint Canice in Ireland, Saint Kenneth in Scotland, Saint Kenny

and in Latin **Sanctus Canicus**, was an Irish abbot, monastic founder, priest and missionary during the early medieval period. Cainnech is one of the Twelve Apostles of Ireland and preached



Christianity across Ireland and to the Picts in Scotland. He wrote a commentary on the Gospels, which for centuries was known as the *Glas-Choinnigh* or *Kenneth's Lock* or the *Chain of Cainnech*.

Most of what is written about Cainnech's life is based on tradition, however he was considered a man of virtue, great eloquence and learning. His feast day is commemorated on 11 October in the Roman Catholic Church and the Eastern Orthodox Church according to their respective calendars (Gregorian or Church Julian) with additional feast days on 1st or 14 August in the Eastern Orthodox Church.

Cainnech spent a good deal of his time in County Meath and Ossory in what is now County Laois. In Ossory he had a good repute with the king, Colmann son of Feradach. Colman gave him grants of land including Aghaboe ("the field of the Ox") which became his principal monastery.^[5] Aghaboe grew in importance, and in the 7th century sent Feargal as a missionary to the church of Salzburg, Austria. Aghaboe was for a time the site of the bishop's see until under Norman influence in the twelfth century the see transferred from Aghaboe to Kilkenny. In 1346 Diarmaid Mac Giollaphádraig burned the town of Aghaboe, and completely destroyed Cainnech's shrine along with his relics.

Kilkenny (Irish: Cill Chainnigh "The Church of Cainnech") was originally the name of a church erected by or dedicated to Cainnech, but was afterwards extended to the townland and parish. Kilkenny was one of the last parts of Ireland to be converted to Christianity. Tradition asserts that in 597, Cainnech led a Christian force to Kilkenny to eliminate the last bastion of Druidic rule in Ireland. The last Archdruid of Ireland had retired with his Council to a mound in Kilkenny for safety. Cainnech led an army there and overcame them. He founded a monastery near what is now the Church of Ireland's St. Canice's Cathedral. He died and was interred at Abbey of Aghaboe in 599/600.

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

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 Flower and Garden Club are holding a Flower demonstration with Jasmine O'Gorman, Blarney in Abbeystrewry Hall on Wednesday 12th October at 8.15pm. Please support our club.

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