## MASS SCHEDULE FOR APRIL 2023

AUGHADOWN: Kilcoe 10 am, Lisheen 11.30 am

CASTLEHAVEN & MYROSS: Union Hall 10 am, Castlehaven 11.30 am

KILMACABEA: Glandore 10 am, Leap 12 noon

RATH & THE ISLANDS: Sherkin Sat 4.45pm, Rath 9.30am, Oileán Cléire 10 am

SKIBBEREEN (CATHEDRAL): Saturday 6.30 pm, Sunday 11.00 am.

#### THIS WEEK

TUES 25: St Mark, Evangelist. Author of the first gospel to be written and the shortest. Patron saint of Venice, where St Mark's Basilica is located. Patron of barristers.

**WED 26:** International Chernobyl Disaster Remembrance Day (remembering the nuclear accident of 26 April 1986)

**SAT 29:** St Catherine of Siena, Patron of Europe. Mystic and reformer of religious life.

## THE CALL TO BE A DEACON

The Diocese of Cork & Ross invites those who feel a call to be deacons to make contact with its Coordinator of the Permanent Diaconate, Fr Bernard Cotter, Co-PP, Union Hall, by text or WhatsApp on 087 901 0627. More information on the role of deacons on church noticeboards and on our diocesan website (www.

## corkandross.org/vocation).

Deacons serve the poor and marginalised. They proclaim the Gospel and sometimes preach at Mass. They celebrate baptisms, officiate at weddings and assist at funerals. Deacons are not called to make up for the shortage of priests; diaconate is a specific, unique and ancient calling. Candidates may be married or unmarried and must be at least 35 years of age (and under 60).

## FINANCE REPORT (FOR 16 APRIL)

Aughadown €775 Castlehaven €980 Kilmacabea €715 Skibbereen: €1405 Rath & The Islands: €819.

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#### USEFUL CONTACT NUMBERS

Alcoholics Anonymous, West Cork: phone 087 611 4946 — alcoholicsanonymous.ie Pieta House Free 24/7 Crisis helpline 1800 247 247 or text HELP to 51444. St Vincent de Paul, Market St, Skibbereen — Contact Number: 087 918 2698 Samaritans Phone 116 123 free — www.samaritans.org Southdoc 0818 355 999 Women against Violence Helpline 1800 203 136 — westcorkwomensproject.ie



## St Ciarán & All Saints FAMILY OF PARISHES

## NEWSLETTER

(for the parishes of Aughadown, Castlehaven & Myross, Kilmacabea, Rath & The Islands, and Skibbereen)

SUNDAY 23 APRIL 2023 2ND SUN. EASTER VOL 1: NO. 20

# EASTER TEACHES US TO BELIEVE, TO TRUST, TO HOPE...

What theme runs through the gospel readings in Eastertide? They communicate the impact of the resurrection of Jesus on the disciples.

His rising from the tomb took them completely by surprise. Their joy is transparent and profound. The change brought about in them is wonderful.

The readings are mostly from the Gospel of John, but Luke's story of the encounter between Jesus and two disciples on the road to Emmaus is chosen for this Sunday (23 April), and Matthew's account of the mission entrusted to the Eleven is given on 21 May (Ascension Sunday).

Jesus doesn't give out to the Eleven for their abandonment of him in his arrest, trial, and condemnation to death. His

Special Collection for Diocesan Needs this Weekend, 22-23 April: For the dayto-day running costs of the diocese (personnel, utilities, postage & stationery, maintenance, insurance), professional fees, primary and secondary school religious advisory costs, safeguarding, data protection, Mission and Ministry etc. message is, "Peace be with you". We listen to a gentle chiding at the end of the journey to Emmaus: 'You foolish men—so slow to believe the full message of the prophets!" And, after he invites Thomas to touch the wounds in his hands and side, he says: 'Doubt no longer but believe'. Thomas' reply, 'My Lord and my God!', shows us the way.

When we were asked at the Easter masses, 'Do you believe in Jesus Christ, who rose again from the dead and is seated at the right hand of the Father?', our answer could not be, 'I doubt it', but rather an emphatic, 'I do!'.

Even though we do not have the possibility of physically touching the risen Body of the Lord, we believe the disciples in the Gospels and in all the writings of the New Testament. And we believe the witness to him of a multitude of men and women, apostles and martyrs, throughout the centuries ever since, in all parts of the world.

Fr Michael Curran MSC Parochial House, Leap



## Skibbereen Parish News

Contact numbers: Parish Office 028 22828 Priest on duty/emergency 086 785 2262

**Submitting items for inclusion in the parish newsletter** – Please email Skibbereen Parish Office: <a href="mailto:skibbereenparish@gmail.com">skibbereenparish@gmail.com</a> no later than 5pm Tuesday.

Mass Intentions from Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> April to Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> April 2023

Saturday – 6.30pm – Billy Hurley, Gortnaclohy

Charles Hodnett and Vincent Hodnett

Paulina Nazareth

**Sunday – 11.00am –** Dick and Kit Fitzgerald, Glencurragh

Charlie and Hannah Davis, Home Rule Terrace

Monday – 9.30am - Con Twohig, Skibbereen

Tuesday – 9.30am – Special Intention

Tuesday – 7.30pm - Spring Station Mass, Co-Action, Mardyke Street

for -

Baltimore Road, Abhainn Beag, Townshend Street, Ninety Eight Street, The Orchards, Mardyke Street, Mardyke Court, Mardyke Park, Coronea Lower, Coronea Upper, Coronea – The Hill, Coronea Court, Cois Atha Estate, Coronea Drive, Carrigfadda

**Wednesday** – **9.30am** - Deceased members of the O'Donoghue and O'Driscoll families, Drishanemore

Wednesday - 7.30pm - Spring Station Mass GAA Pavilion for -

Curragh, Glencurragh, The Moorings, The Marsh

Thursday – 9.30am – Special Intention

## Thursday – 7.30pm - Spring Station Mass, Cara House, Market Street for –

Bridge Street, Ilen Street, Upper Bridge Street, Assumption Place, Ilen Villas, Flaxmills, Patrick's Place, Blackthorn Place, Riverdale, Coronea, Shelley's Road, Newbridge, Newbridge Park, Inse Alainn. High Street, Sycamore Heights, Gortnaclohy Heights, St Fachtna's Terrace, Hillcrest, Pound Hill, Ard Carraig, Chapel Lane, Home Rule Terrace. Market Street, Warner's Lane, Cois Caol, The Mills, The Hawthorns, Gortnaclohy Road, North Street, The Square, Main Street.

Friday - 9.30am - Jack Collins, Bawnahow

Friday – 7.30pm – Spring Station Mass in St Patrick's Cathedral

for -

All Rural Station Areas

**Saturday** - **6.30pm** - Helen and Joe Harnedy, Mardyke Street Tommy McVitty, Patrick's Place, Skibbereen

**Sunday – 11am –** Denis and Teresa O'Sullivan, Townshend Street Barney O'Connor, Gortnaclohy

We send our condolences to the family of Patsy Hegarty of Mohonagh, Church Cross, Skibbereen who died recently.

A sincere thank you to all parishioners for your generosity in the Easter collection and Easter envelopes this year. We appreciate all your kindness and support always.

Fr John and Fr Evin

**TRÓCAIRE:** Trócaire Boxes can be returned to the various Church Sacristies. Donations will be forwarded to Trócaire by the end of the month.



Parish Office, Skibbereen - 028/22828 – Mon/Wed/Thurs/Fri – 10am to 1pm.

Priest on Duty/Emergency – 086/7852262

**Mass Intentions** 

Sunday 23rd April – Third Sunday of Easter

**9.30am** Rath – Charlie and Mary Davis, Ballylynch

10.00am Cape Clear - Special Intention

Monday 24th April – 10.15am Rath – Special Intention

Wednesday 26th April - 10.15am Rath – Special Intention

Friday 28th April – 10.15am Rath – Special Intention

Saturday 29th April -

4.45pm Sherkin - Special Intention

Sunday 30th April - Fourth Sunday of Easter

9.30am Rath - Annie, Francis and Joe Sheehan, Spain, Baltimore

10.00am Cape Clear - Special Intention

## **Report on April Parish Pastoral Council Meeting:**

The meeting opened with a presentation from Fr John on his 'Vision' and hope of where things might develop in our Church Community. A change from the old paradigm of Believe, Behave, Belong to a new paradigm Belong, Believe, Behave. Items discussed included:

**Skour Well Mass**: This will take place on Monday 1<sup>st</sup> May at 7:30pm.

**Lourdes Pilgrimage 2023**: The first Diocesan Lourdes pilgrimage since 2019 will take place on September 22<sup>nd</sup> to 27<sup>th</sup> 2023. The organisers are looking for young helpers (18-25 years) and more senior helpers to assist with looking after the 50 invalids that will be travelling. Bishop Fintan would like if parish/Family parish groups would join the pilgrimage. Details are available on the Lourdes Pilgrimage leaflets available at the Church doors.

**First Holy Communion**: The Mass for the First Holy Communion will take place on Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> May 2023 at 9:30pm. There was a request to have this Mass later to accommodate grandparents and people travelling, but this was not possible as priests are under pressure to be available for the next Mass in another church on that morning.

**Children's Mass**: Agnieszka was thanked for the work she put into organising the Children's Mass in March. Proposed Date for the next Children's Mass will be in June before the school holidays.

**Fr Bernard Cotter** expressed how he enjoys saying Mass in Rath Church once a month and always feels very welcomed.

**Recently deceased:** We extend our condolences to the family of Martina O'Brien (née Fitzgerald), Bunlick, Skibbereen. May she rest in peace.

A sincere thanks to all parishioners for your generosity in the Easter collection & Easter envelopes this year. We appreciate all your kindness and support always. Fr. John & Fr. Evin.

**Trocaire Boxes** can be returned to the various Church Sacristies. Donations will be forwarded to Trocaire by the end of the month.

**Music:** We are looking for a panel of people who will take responsibility for leading singing at Sunday Mass. If you are interested in helping out please contact Maeve Devlin (mary.maeve.devlin@gmail.com or 086 365 6054)

**Synod 2021-2024** For a Synodal Church: communion, participation and mission In October 2021 the Catholic Church's synodal process on the theme of synodality began. This was the first time that a worldwide listening process and consultation with parishes and dioceses was attempted and many people in Ireland took part in a listening process during the early months of 2022. Did you take part? Have you been wondering what happened after that?

Much has happened since then. Your participation formed part of a national document that was sent to the Synod office in Rome in August 2022. It also formed part of a global document called Enlarge the Space of Your Tent, which was published last October and then formed part of a presentation given by the Irish delegation that travelled to Prague this February for the first ever Continental Assembly of the Catholic Church's synodal process.

Please visit www.synod.ie/2023update to find out more.

**Eucharistic Adoration** takes place every Monday and Friday from 10am to 6pm in the Adoration Chapel of the Cathedral. All are Welcome.

Rath Vintage Club Annual Tractor Run on Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> April. Registration is from 12 noon to 1.30pm at Rath Church car park. Tractors will leave at 2pm on a scenic route by Lough Hyne, Ballinard, Ballylynch and Baltimore village. Proceeds in aid of Rath National School and Irish Motor Neurone Disease Association (IMNDA)

**Baltimore Community Market** every Sunday in the Community Hall from 11am to 2pm. Please call and support our local producers.

If you have any items for inclusion in our newsletter, please submit no later than 5pm on Tuesday of each week to the Parish Office, North Street, Skibbereen or email <a href="mailto:skibbereenparish@gmail.com">skibbereenparish@gmail.com</a>