

FAMILY OF PARISHES SCHEDULE FOR AUGUST 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.

FINANCE REPORT (SUNDAY 23 JULY)

Aughadown €1,000
Castlehaven €966 Diocesan Needs €500
Kilmacabea €1,311 **Skibbereen** €1,540
Rath & The Islands €1,770 (for 16 & 23 July). Also: Diocesan Needs €370

NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS (6 AUGUST) (TRANSFIGURATION OF THE LORD)

Daniel 7:9-10, 13-14 — Daniel's prophecy is seen by the Church as referring to Jesus, whose glory was revealed at the Transfiguration.

2 Peter 1:16-19 — Peter talks about being present on the mountain and seeing Jesus transfigured.

Matthew 17:1-9 — Jesus is seen in glory with Moses and Elijah, and the Father's voice is heard. The disciples learn that resurrection follows death.

ASSUMPTION OF THE B.V.M. (15 AUGUST)

You are invited to come to Mass in the Family of Parishes for the feast of Our Lady's Assumption on Tuesday 15 August, a holyday of obligation for Catholics:

6.30 pm Mon. 14th: Skibbereen
9.30 am Tues. 15th: Leap & Skibbereen
10.00 am: Kilcoe & Union Hall
7.30 pm: Rath Parish Church.

USEFUL CONTACT NUMBERS

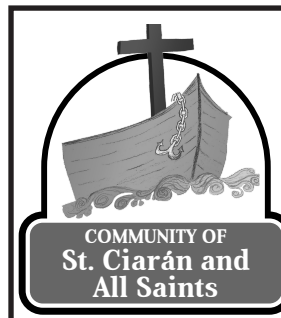
Alcoholics Anonymous, West Cork: phone 087 611 4946 — alcoholicsanonymous.ie
Pieta House Free 24/7 Crisis helpline 1800 247 247 or text HELP to 51444.
St Vincent de Paul, Market St, Skibbereen — Contact Number: **087 918 2698**
Samaritans Phone 116 123 free — www.samaritans.org **Southdoc** 0818 355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

POINTS TO PONDER

- Treat everyone with kindness, not because they are nice but because you are.
- In every day there are 1,440 minutes. That means we have 1,440 daily opportunities to make a positive impact.
- Though no one can go back and make a brand new start, anyone can start from now and make a brand new ending!
- Peace begins with a smile...

FAMILY OF PARISHES INFORMATION

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St Ciarán & All Saints FAMILY OF PARISHES NEWSLETTER

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

SUNDAY 30 JULY - 27 AUGUST 2023

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THE EDITOR SAYS

“Thanks!”

This edition closes our first volume of Family of Parishes newsletters. It was a unique experiment, uniting the parishes of our Family in a joint enterprise, yet allowing space for each parish to have its own story reflected in print.

I thank sincerely everyone who made it possible, especially the Editors of the individual pages: Geraldine, June, Trish, Brenda, Annette, Denise and Pamela. Thanks to those who wrote 'front page' reflections: Fr John Heinhold, Fr Michael Curran, Maura O'Flynn, Fr Des O'Driscoll, Frances Mac Mahon, Teresa Shanahan, Siobhan O'Brien, Fr Donal Cahill, Fr Evin O'Brien, Eugene Daly, Séamus Ó Drisceoil, Gerald O'Brien, Vincent O'Neill, Theresa Hickey and Deirdre Hardy. New volunteers to join this rota always welcome — please contact me to offer help. Thanks to Walter, Pat, Jerome, Angela, and Bernie who submitted the finance reports, to Fr Terry & the team from Skibbereen Community School for our logo, and to everyone who helped (and apologies to anyone omitted!). Have a nice break, see you in September DV.

Fr Bernard, EDITOR - frbernard1984@gmail.com

AUGUST FEASTS

FRI 4 AUGUST: St John Vianney (Curé of Ars) patron saint of parish priests (and other priests too). Considered too intellectually weak to be ordained, he proved to be the holiest of priests.

SUN 6 AUGUST: Feast of the Transfiguration of the Lord takes the place of the regular Sunday. We remember the day Jesus was seen in his heavenly glory by Peter, James & John, a memory which sustained them in the gloom of Gethsemane, a vision to inspire Christians of our heavenly destiny.

SUN 13 AUGUST: St Fachna, Patron of Ross (Solemn Feast), a special day in the eleven parishes of the ancient Diocese of Ross, including our five. He died around AD 600, having founded the monastery at Ross Carbery (Ross Aithir), the great scripture school.

TUES 15 AUGUST: The Assumption of Our Lady (celebrated as the Dormition of Mary in the East, her falling asleep in death) marks the end of Mary's earthly life, her entry to heaven: where she has gone, we hope to follow.

THURS 17: Our Lady of Knock (date of first apparition at Knock in 1879).



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: skibbereenparish@gmail.com no later than 5pm Tuesday.

Mass Intentions from Saturday 29th July

Saturday – 6.30pm - Denis Cronin, Gortnamuckla
Special Intention

Sunday – 11am - Mary McCarthy, Ilen Street, Skibbereen

Monday – 9.30am - Special Intention

Tuesday – 9.30am – Peadar Hayes, North Street

Wednesday – 9.30am – People of the Parish

Thursday – 9.30am – Kate O’Donovan and Eileen Harvey, Lissanroe

Friday - 9.30am - Special Intention

Saturday – 6.30pm - Josephine and Michael John Carey, Derrylugga
Richard and Josephine Palmer, Ringaskiddy

Sunday – 11am - Jerry Connolly, Lissanuhig

For Mass intentions for the month of August please see the notices in the porches

Recently deceased

We extend our condolences to the family of Jerry Lucey of North Street, who died recently. May he Rest in Peace.

We extend our condolences to the family of Mary McDonnell of Glencurragh, who died recently. May she Rest in Peace.

Weekday masses Monday to Friday at 9.30am.

Confessions on Saturdays at 10am – 11am.

Please note: No confession on Saturday 12th August in Skibbereen

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament continues every **Monday and Friday** from **10am until 6pm** each day. **All are welcome.**

Holiday closure of Parish Office 31st July to 9th August.

The Parish Office will be **closed from Monday 31st July until Wednesday 9th August** to facilitate summer holidays.

Sick Calls

If you know of anyone who is sick or housebound and would like to receive the Sacrament of the Sick or Holy Communion or would appreciate a visit from a priest, please contact the **Parish Office 028 22828.**

Distribution of Holy Communion

You may have noticed that two pews were recently removed from the “crossroads” in the Cathedral. This was done to facilitate a better flow of people at Communion time.

Those sitting below the crossroads, please come up the middle aisle and go down the side aisle. Those sitting above the crossroads, **including those sitting on the far right and far left**, please come up the middle aisle and go down the side aisle. Thank you for your co-operation on this matter.

Mass in St Patrick’s Cemetery - the Legion of Mary will have their annual Mass celebrated for deceased members on **Wednesday 9th August at 7.30pm.**

St Joseph's Young Priests Society wishes to thank all those who supported our recent flag day. It was great to see some young people helping out. To all our collectors, you were all great ambassadors for our Society.

The Bantry Memory café takes place on the **first Wednesday** of every month in the **Maritime Hotel, Bantry at 11am.** The next one will be on 2nd August. This month’s guest speaker will talk on brain health. Please give **Lorna a call on 087 4001763.**

RATH & THE ISLANDS BALTIMORE, WEST GORK



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

Priest on Duty/Emergency – 086/7852262

Mass Intentions

Sunday 30th July – Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

9.30am Rath – Eugie Leonard, Rath

10.00am Cape Clear

Monday 31st July – No Mass

Wednesday 2nd August - No Mass

Friday 4th August – No Mass

Saturday 5th August

4.45pm – Sherkin

Sunday 6th August – The Transfiguration of the Lord

9.30am Rath – Michael Kelleher Lough Hyne and Cork

10.00am Cape Clear

Weekday masses – There will be no morning Masses in Rath on Monday 31st July, Wednesday 2nd August and Friday 4th August.

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Mass in St Patrick's Cemetery, Skibbereen - the Legion of Mary will hold their annual Mass for the deceased of the area on **Wednesday 9th August at 7.30pm**

This newsletter will be taking holidays for the four August Sundays.

Oileán Chléire - On Saturday 26th August the annual concert will be held in Séipéal Naomh Ciarán from 3.30pm to 4.45pm. All proceeds to the upgrading of the windows in the church.

On Sunday 27th August the annual cemetery mass will be held at 3pm in North Harbour. All are welcome – Fáilte Roimh Chach.

Ferries – www.capeclearferries.com

A Hymn of Praise (A hymn by Cecil F. Alexander)

All things bright and beautiful,
All creatures great and small,
All things wise and wonderful:
You, Lord God, made them all.
Each little flower that opens,
Each little bird that sings,
You made their glowing colours,
You made their tiny wings.
The purple headed mountains,
The river running by,

The sunset and the morning
That brightens up the sky.

The changing of the seasons,
The pleasant summer sun,
The ripe fruits in the garden,
You made them everyone.
The tall trees in the greenwood,
The meadows where we play,
The rushes by the water,
To gather every day.

You gave us eyes to see them,
And lips that we might tell
How great is God Almighty,
Who has made all things well.

Baltimore RNLI Ladies "Bootique" Lunch – Inishbeg Estate on Thursday 3rd August at 12.30pm. Tickets €85 – contact Ruth McSweeney 086/2698324 or Rosaleen Mackeown 086/8094814

Baltimore Community Market every Sunday in the Community Hall from 11am to 1pm. Please call and support our local producers

Skibbereen Geriatric Society – we require more volunteer drivers for the Meals on Wheels service. Please contact **Linda at 086 4093114 or 028 22269.**