

FAMILY OF PARISHES SCHEDULE FOR OCTOBER 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, Sun: Rath 9.30am, Oileán Cléire 10 am

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

THIS WEEK

MON 16 OCT: ST GALL. This Irish monk set off for the continent with St Columbanus. Gall's hermitage in Switzerland later became the city of St Gallen.

WED 17: ST IGNATIUS OF ANTIOCH, an early Christian writer, died a martyr in Rome.

WED 17: ST LUKE, the physician, wrote the third Gospel and the Acts of the Apostles. Through stories like the Good Samaritan, the Prodigal Son, Zacchaeus, and the Good Thief (on Calvary), he told of God's mercy. Patron of doctors and surgeons — and artists.

FIRST COMMUNION DATES IN OUR FAMILY OF PARISHES, 2024

Saturday 11 May: Skibbereen

St Joseph's & Gaelscoil, 10.30 am.

Sunday 12 May: Castlehaven & Myross

Sunday 12 May: Kilmacabea

Sunday 12 May: Rath Parish Church (no First Communion in Oileán Cléire in 2024)

Saturday 18 May: Skibbereen,

St Patrick's, 10.30 am.

Sunday 26 May: Aughadown

☆ POINT TO PONDER ☆

• Remember that jealousy is when you count someone else's blessings instead of your own.

FAMILY OF PARISHES OFFICE, SKIBBEREEN.

Open this week: Mon, Wed, Thurs & Fri, 10am-1 pm, Phone 028-22828.

Email stciaranasFOP@gmail.com

OCTOBER IS MISSION MONTH

On next Sunday, 22 October, our Church in every country marks World Mission Sunday, with the 2023 theme of:

'Hearts on Fire, Feet on the Move'.

A collection is taken at each Mass next Sunday, including the Family of Parishes' masses. This money makes it possible for Pope Francis to aid projects in the poorest parts of the world. Over a thousand of the world's 2,500 dioceses in Africa, Asia and Latin America benefit from it.

You can give at next Sunday's masses, or alternatively, you can donate €4 by texting "MISSION" to 50300, Or donate at www.missio.ie, where you can also learn more about Missions today.

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.

Southdoc Phone 0818 355 999

Women against Violence

Helpline 1800 203 136: westcorkbeacon.ie

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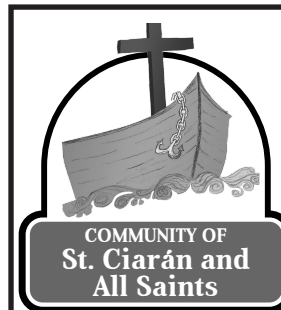
• Fr John Heinhold SPS Co-PP, Skibbereen (Moderator). PHONE: 028 22878

• Fr Terry O'Brien, MSC Co-PP, Leap EMAIL: kilmacabeparish@gmail.com

• Fr Bernard Cotter Co-PP, Union Hall (Editor)

TEXT OR WHATSAPP : 087 901 0627

• Fr Evin O'Brien CC — *on retreat this week.*



COMMUNITY OF
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FAMILY OF PARISHES

NEWSLETTER

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

SUN. 15 OCTOBER 2023 28TH SUNDAY VOL 2: No 7

OUR LADY WILL REFUSE YOU NOTHING: PRAY TO HER...

Pope Leo XIII once said that the rosary is the most excellent form of prayer. He called it "the most efficacious means of attaining eternal life", and went on: "It is the remedy for all our evils, the root of all our blessings. There is no more excellent way of praying."

This great pope was just one of many saints who encouraged the recitation of the rosary. Pope St John Paul II, Padre Pio, Fr Patrick Peyton, and many more, loved this prayer — and with good reason.

They recognised it as a prayer

completely focussed on Jesus Christ. When we say the rosary, we meditate on the joyful, sorrowful and glorious mysteries of Our Lord's life — while at the same time asking Our Lady to intercede for us with her son. And it is the opinion of many over the centuries that God refuses his mother nothing.

St Bridget once heard Our Lord say to the Blessed Virgin: 'Mother, just as you refused me nothing on earth, I will refuse you nothing in heaven'.

Our Lady promises us many blessings through this beautiful prayer; it is a gift from heaven. Mary is not only the mother of God, she is our mother too, given to us by Jesus Christ just before he died on the cross.

Turn to Our Lady, beg her intercession, pray her rosary and you will come to understand just how pleasing it is to God to have a devotion to his holy mother, just as the saints did.

Fr Evin O'Brien CC, SKIBBEREEN

AUTUMN DUES

None of the priests working in our Family of Parishes receives a salary. All depend on the offerings of parishioners, particularly at Spring and Autumn. Offerings are usually given in September and October. Please return yours as soon as possible. And thank you for the offerings already given to your priests.



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 14th October 2023

Saturday – 6.30pm – Agnes O'Mahony, Curragh, Skibbereen
Michael and Kathleen Nagle, Derryleigh

Sunday – 11am - David and Gillian Morrison, Riverdale
MaryKate and Peter Harrington, Kilnagospagh
P J McCarthy, Tragumna, Month's Mind

Monday – 9.30am - Stan and Ita Jenner, Ilen Villas

Tuesday – 9.30am - Eily May Harrington, Reenmurragha

Wednesday – 9.30am – People of the Parish

Thursday – 9.30am – Paddy Harrington, Reenmurragha

Friday – 9.30am - Eileen Collins and Dan and Helen Maguire,
Rosnagoose

Saturday – 6.30pm – Pat Collins, Lake Marsh
John Hurley, Milland

Sunday – 11am - Patrick White, Gortnaclohy
Peter Lynch, High Street, Skibbereen

We welcome into our faith community Katie O'Neill who was baptised in St Patrick's Cathedral on 7th October. Her parents are Shane and Kathleen.

We extend our condolences to the family of Desmond (Des) Harte, of Perrott House, Skibbereen, who died recently.

We extend our condolences to the family of Anthony (Tony) Salter of Drishanemore, Skibbereen, who died recently.

Confirmation Parents Meeting for St Patrick's Boys NS on **19th October** at 7.00pm in the Presbytery, North Street and for St Joseph's Girls NS and Gaelscoil Dr Uí Shúilleabháin at 8.00pm in the Presbytery.

Weekday masses Monday to Friday at 9.30am.

**Second Collection next Sunday 22nd for the Propagation of the Faith
Confessions on Saturdays at 10am – 11am.**

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

Autumn Home Station Mass if you are willing to **host a Station Mass** this Autumn **in your home**, please contact the parish office on 028 22828 as soon as possible. **Autumn Envelopes are available at the church.** Your contribution goes towards the income of the priests of the parish.

Hospitality Morning every Wednesday, in the Presbytery, after the morning Mass. All are welcome for tea or coffee and a chat.

Lectio Divina on Saturdays at 11.15am - 12 noon in the Presbytery, North Street.

Safeguarding Month – Week 3 - A crucial part of safeguarding is supporting those who have been affected by institutional, clerical, or religious abuse in Ireland. Towards Healing is an independent organisation providing professional support for people who have experienced institutional, clerical, or religious abuse in Ireland. The Towards Healing Counselling and Support Service reflects the commitment of and is funded by the Catholic Church in Ireland to meet the support needs of survivors of Religious, Institutional and Clerical Abuse and their families. To find out more about this service, please visit www.towardshealing.ie or contact freephone 1800 303416.

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Thank you: - We wish to thank the students of Skibbereen Community School for their enthusiastic attendance at the Mass in St Patrick's Cathedral to mark the opening of the school year. We thank the Chaplain and teachers who assisted the students in the preparation and presentation of the prayers, hymns, and music. We thank the 850 students who were in attendance and their prayerful participation was very much appreciated. We are grateful to all the students and those who participated in the Mass with the many prayers in their native language. We hope and pray that the students will be encouraged to participate in masses in the future.

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 15th October – Twenty Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

9.30am Rath – John Leonard and his wife Mary, Reengaroga
Ralph Skinner and his sister Mary Skinner, Rath

10.00am Cape Clear

Monday 16th October – 10.15am Rath – Patrick O’Driscoll, Baltimore Hill

Wednesday 18th October - 10.15am Rath – Isabel Gallagher and her daughter Una

Friday 20th October – 10.15am Rath

Saturday 21st October

4.45pm – Sherkin

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Confessions by appointment.

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First Friday 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.

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CONNECT 3 - Faith Gathering for Young Adults (18 to 35 Years)

The Diocese of Cork and Ross is delighted to announce that CONNECT 3 will take place on this Sunday, October 15th from 9.30am, in Devere Hall, UCC. It promises to be a great day of fun, prayer, food, talks, Mass, fellowship, and more. There is no charge for attending. To register simply visit corkandross.org

Medjugorje Pilgrimage ex Cork 29th May – 5th June 2024

Spiritual Director Fr Ted Sheehan €897pps (€100 discount if fully paid before 17th November, €50 discount if deposit paid before 15th January)
Contact Sean O’Shaughnessy 086 2959380. Limit to 50 places – travelling with Joe Walsh Tours

Rath NS is delighted to open our doors to our community as a way of saying Thank You for all the support you have shown us over the years and to officially mark our new extension. This will take place on **Sunday, October 22nd at 11am.** All past & present families, neighbours and friends are welcome. Light refreshments will be served. Overflow parking available in Ilen Rovers car park.