

This Week :

Thursday 18 April: St Laserian (Molaise) Bishop and papal legate, brother of St. Goban, also listed as Molaise. Laserian was born in [Ireland](#) and was a [monk](#) on Iona, Scotland. He died in the year 639.

Every year there are candidates from the Family of Parishes who choose to participate in The Pope John Paul II Awards. This is awarded to young people aged 16 and over who take an active part in the life of their parish community. For more information please contact the parish office: stciaranasFOP@gmail.com.

The next diocesan needs quarterly collection will take place next weekend the 20th and 21st of April.

This quarterly collection allows the Diocese to provide ongoing supports to parishes in many areas. It contributes to the day-to-day running costs of the Diocese including the cost of personnel, utilities (light & heat, phone, postage & stationery, repairs & maintenance, insurance), professional fees, primary and secondary school religious advisory costs, safeguarding, data protection, mission and ministry and levies paid by the Diocese for national hierarchy costs in Maynooth.

People continue to be very generous to these quarterly collections over the years and your support would be greatly appreciated this weekend.

Pope Francis' prayer intention for the month of April is that the dignity and worth of women be recognized throughout the world.

Finance Corner Sunday 7 April

Aughadown: €870

Castlehaven and Myross: €875

Kilmacabea: €850

Skibbereen: €1580

Useful contact Numbers

Alcoholic 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

CLERGY

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BAPTISMS, ANNIVERSARIES,
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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)*

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Life in Transition Year in Skibbereen Community School.

With less of an emphasis on academic work, this is a year to grow and develop as a person and to discover more of what the world has to offer!

There are trips, projects, and tours.

A memorable hike from Killarney to Kenmare tested our mental and physical strength, as we formed strong friendships with our fellow classmates.

We have fundraised for the Simon Community, the Mercy Heroes and The Gaza UNICEF Appeal - by singing and playing music in Skibbereen town, holding flag days and cake sales. These fundraisers have helped us to realise that we should be thankful for everything that we have in our lives.

We have volunteered in Cara House and Skibbereen Residential Care Centre - making tea, chatting, playing bingo, and helping as needed. Volunteering has given us a great insight into how something as small as a chat and a cup of tea can mean so much to people.

One of the highlights of the year is the annual musical. Participating in this, builds confidence through acting, singing, and helping out. We mix with people in our year that we would not usually spend time with. These experiences are something that will stay with us forever and we are grateful to all our teachers for making this happen.

As we enter the third Sunday of Easter, we remember the ongoing journey of faith for believers during the Easter season as they navigate uncertainties and moments of despair. This year, we too, navigate difficulties, yet like the disciples, with continued trust in God, we persevere and try to find the good and learning in our experiences.

TY in SCS is definitely worth the journey.

Niamh O Driscoll, Abaigh Buckley, Anna-Louise Cronin & Ellen Buckley
In conjunction with the school Chaplain
Ms. R. O'Brien.



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 13 April 2024**

- Saturday – 6.30pm** Pat and Eily Courtney, Gurteenalomane.
Vincent Hodnett and Charles Hodnett, Rosscarbery.
- Sunday – 11am** Donal and Brigid Hurley, Inchindreen and
Archbishop Denis Hurley, Durban.
Pat Joe O’Neill, Kilnaclasha and Paddy O’Neill, Upper
Bridge Street.
Neilus McCarthy, Carrigfadda, Month’s Mind.
Niall O’Donovan, Cullinagh West and The Hawthorns,
Month’s Mind.
Philomena Hegarty, Mardyke Street, formerly of
Ahakista, Month’s Mind.
- Monday – 9.30am** Eddie Collins, Newmarket.
- Tuesday – 9.30am** John and Margaret O’Sullivan, Shountellig.
- Wednesday - 9.30am** People of the Parish.
- Thursday - 9.30am** John and Mary Murphy, Bauravilla.
- Friday – 9.30am** John O’Donovan, Drominida, and family & friends.
- Saturday – 6.30pm** John and Mary Murphy, Bauravilla.
Billy Hurley, Gortnaclohy.
John Daly, Ardagh, Coronea, Month’s Mind
- Sunday - 11am** Kathleen Ring, Coronea Drive.
Geraldine Hurley, Poundlick.

We extend our condolences to the families of the following:

Sheila Ridge (née O’Driscoll), Skibbereen

Pat Joe Hayes, Tragumna

Ellen O’Leary (née Thornhill), Ballincollig & Bridge Street, Skibbereen

who died recently. May they Rest in Peace.

We welcome to our faith community: Orla Barry, daughter of James and Zhi Ying, who was baptised in St Patrick’s Cathedral on 2 March and Luke Croston, son of Liam and Lorena, who was baptised on 16 March in St Patrick’s Cathedral.

Weekday Masses Monday to Friday at 9.30am. The Rosary is prayed before each morning mass. (The Rosary on Thursday is said for the special intention of vocations to the Diocesan Priesthood).

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

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

Confessions on Saturday at 10am to 11am.

Lectio Divina (Sacred Reading) on Saturday mornings from **11.15am – 12 noon** in the Presbytery, North Street.

Mass for the deceased members of St Vincent de Paul (SVP), Skibbereen will be held in **SVP rooms, Market Street on Wednesday 17 April at 7.30pm.**

Meeting for Church Cleaning Group, Skibbereen will be held in the Presbytery, North Street on **Thursday 18 April at 7pm.**

Spring Station Masses - Station masses in people’s homes are a tradition that we are trying to keep alive. We would again like to remind people that if you would like to host a Spring Station Mass in your home. please contact the **Parish Office on 028 22828** as soon as possible.

THANK YOU - Many thanks to all who gave of their time, talents, and efforts to make our Easter Ceremonies so meaningful and special: Sacristans, Altar Societies, Church Cleaners, Choirs and Musicians, Altar Servers, Ministers of the Word, Ministers of the Eucharist, all who helped in various ways. It was great to have so many people involved, responding to their baptismal calling, to make Easter a joyful time for both our parish communities and our family of parishes. **Many thanks** also to all who gave to the Easter collection for the priests. Your continued generosity and support are greatly appreciated.

Skibbereen Geriatric Society, provides a widespread delivery of meals on wheels in town and surrounding areas, are seeking volunteer drivers for delivery of luncheons, on a rota basis. Anyone interested in this service please contact **Linda Shannon 086 4093114 or at Cara House Market Street on 028 22269.**

The Franciscan Missionaries of Mary will visit our Family of Parishes on a mission appeal. They will speak at all masses in Aughadown, Rath and Skibbereen next weekend, 20 and 21 April.

All Ireland Rosary Rally at Knock on Saturday 1 June 2024. For information please visit www.AllIrelandRosaryRally.com



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

Priest on Duty/Emergency – 086/7852262

Mass Intentions

Sunday 14th April – Third Sunday of Easter

9.30am Rath – Annie & Paddy Carey, Ballymacrown

10.00am Cape Clear

Monday 15th April - 10.15am Rath

Wednesday 17th April - 10.15am Rath

Friday 19th April - 10.15am Rath – Martina O'Brien, Bunlick – First Anniversary

Saturday 20th April

4.45pm – Sherkin

Sunday 21st April – Fourth Sunday of Easter

9.30am Rath – Ellen Connolly, South Rath

10.00am Cape Clear

Weekday Masses – Monday, Wednesday and Friday at 10.15am.

Confessions by appointment.

Ceremony of Light and Confessions in preparation for Confirmation will be held in Rath Church on Monday 15th April at 7pm.

Recently Baptised: We welcome Cuan Holland, son of Shane and Orla into our faith community here in Rath and The Islands as he received the Sacrament of Baptism on Saturday 16th March 2024 in Sacred Heart Church, Rath.

Second Collection next Sunday 21st April for Diocesan Needs.

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Report on April Parish Pastoral Council Meeting

The following points were discussed at the April meeting:

1. Positive comments on the Easter ceremonies at Sacred Heart Church, Rath and the Easter Vigil in Skibbereen.
2. The next Children's Mass is being planned for Pentecost Sunday 19th May 2024.
3. Mass at Skour Well will take place on Tuesday 30th April at 7.30 pm. Strimming and cleaning has been carried out around the well, many thanks to those involved.

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Baltimore to Spain Tower Charity Walk. €3,950 raised for Breakthrough Cancer Research. idonate page open until 14/4/2024. Míle Buíochas le gach éinne.

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Adoration of Blessed Sacrament continues every Monday and Friday from 10am to 6pm both days in St Patrick's Cathedral, Skibbereen. All are welcome.

Thinking about the Diocesan Priesthood? There is a special "Come and See" afternoon for men aged between 18 and 40 who may be thinking about Priesthood for the Diocese of Cork and Ross. It will take place from **2-5pm on Sunday April 28th in Mardyke House, Cork City (T12 W8RP)**. The afternoon will include time for prayer, reflection, discussion and a social dimension. For more information email vocations@corkandross.org.

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