### OUR COMMUNITY THIS WEEK

• Tuesday 11 June marks the anniversary of Fr James Coombes RIP, late Adm Castlehaven & Adm Skibbereen (2000).

**Ordination anniversaries:** (Frs)

Sun 9: Donal Cahill, Aughadown (1963) Bernard Cotter, Castlehaven & Myross (1984) Mon 10: Evin O'Brien, Skibbereen (2017)

### THIS WEEK

TUES 11: ST BARNABAS, apostle, travelled with Paul on his first missionary journey, then preached the faith in his native land of Cyprus.

THURS 13: ST ANTHONY OF PADUA, best preacher of his age, is regarded as the patron of lost objects, because so many people found themselves after hearing Anthony preach.

FRI 14: World Blood Donor Day (W.H.O.)

### **♦ POINTS TO PONDER ♦**

"Blessed is the person who is too busy to worry in the daytime and too sleepy to worry at night."

- MISSIONARIES OF THE SACRD HEART DIARY

"A priest is no angel sent from heaven. A priest is a human being, a member of holy church, a Christian, just as you are. As scripture says, he is chosen from among men. This is less obvious than it seems, for it means that we priests are just as human as you are — poor, dejected, weak sinful men, men with all the inheritance of men, men with specific dispositions and specific finitude of men, men of this very day and of no other, men such as are met with by the thousands in ordinary life, not a shade different, not one whit better, poor, weak, weary men in need of God's mercy. The like of these God has called to serve the altar in your holy community."

— Karl Rahner SJ, in a homily at a first Mass of a newly ordained priest

### POPE'S INTENTIONS FOR JUNE

### — For migrants fleeing their homes

That migrants fleeing from war or hunger, forced to undertake journeys full of danger and violence, may find welcome and new opportunities in the countries that receive them."

FINANCE CORNER (2 JUNE)

Aughadown: €815

Castlehaven & Myross: €975

Development fund (Castlehaven only) €450

Kilmacabea: €540

Maintenance Fund: €630

Skibbereen: €1,595 Rath & the Islands: €740

#### SUNDAY MASS TIMES

9.30 am: Rath Parish Church (Baltimore) 10 am: Oileán Cléire, Glandore, Kilcoe, Union Hall

11.00 am: Skibbereen (Cathedral) 11.30 am: Castlehaven & Lisheen.

12 noon: Kilmacabea Parish Church (Leap)

#### CLERGY

- Fr John Heinhold SPS Co-PP, Skibbereen (MODERATOR). PHONE: 028 22878
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- Fr Bernard Cotter Co-PP, Union Hall TEXT OR WHATSAPP: 087 901 0627
- Fr Evin O'Brien CC PHONE 028-22877

#### FAMILY OF PARISHES OFFICE

TO BOOK MASSES, ARRANGE WEDDINGS, BAPTISMS, ANNIVERSARIES, CONTACT THE PARISHES' OFFICE, SKIBBEREEN: Mon, Wed, Thurs. Fri: 10 am-1 pm, Phone 028-22828 [Closed Bank Holidays] Email stciaranasFOP@gmail.com

### USEFUL CONTACT NUMBERS

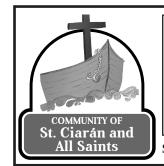
Alcoholics Anonymous, West Cork: phone 087 611 4946 — alcoholicsanonymous.ie Pieta House Free 24/7 Crisis helpline 1800 247 247 or text HELP to 51444.

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



# St Ciarán & All Saints

# NEWSLETTER

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

SUNDAY 9 JUNE 2024

10TH SUNDAY

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# CELEBRATE 273 YEARS OF PRIESTHOOD IN JUNE 2024

Right through our lives we mark birthdays and the anniversaries of special occasions. These celebrations are a time to reminisce, remember and share experiences that happened along the way. Each anniversary signifies another year of encounters and experi-

ences and gives us a reason to gather and to reflect.

During this June, the priests of the Family of Parishes will celebrate between them 273 years of priestly ministry. Fr John, Fr Bernard, Fr Evin, Fr Donal

Cahill, Fr Des O'Driscoll in Sherkin, and Fr Terry O'Donovan in Union Hall all celebrate the anniversaries of their ordination. Fr Terry O'Brien will celebrate his in July; Fr Michael Curran had his in March. They were ordained in different places and times, and all have their own special memories — of the people who were there, things that were said and hap-

penings from that day or around that time.

Much has happened since. Different appointments, parishes and countries have all been part of their day-to-day life in priesthood. Some have spent all their ministry in Cork and Ross. Some ministered in the UK and moved back to 'retire' in

West Cork; others ministered further afield.

What connects them all? The words of St. Paul, 'I believed and therefore I spoke' seem a very appropriate answer. They believe and they share that belief with others so that 'grace

is multiplied among people'.

We give thanks for the 273 years of ministry shared by priests in our Family of Parishes this month and we keep them in our prayers at this time of anniversary and always. AD MULTOS ANNOS — May you have many years.

Maura O'Flynn [CATECHIST] Community of St Ciarán & All Saints



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 5pmTuesday.

# Mass Intentions from Saturday 08 June 2024

Saturday – 6.30pm Rita and Jim Crowley, Bunalun.

Susan Collins, 98 Street and Drinagh and

Sonny Collins, Drinagh

Sunday 11am Sinéad Carty, Galway.

Catherine and Mary O'Driscoll, Coronea and Cape

Clear.

**Monday – 9.30am** Niall O'Donovan, Cullinagh and The Hawthorns.

Tuesday – 9.30am Maria Long, Lissalohorig.
Wednesday - 9.30am People of the Parish.
Thursday - 9.30am Special Intention.
Friday – 9.30am Special Intention.

Saturday – 6.30pm Jeremiah O'Donoghue, Poundlick.

Nora McCormack.

Sunday 11am Maria Simons, Jim Hourihane and Cecilia Hourihane,

Skibbereen and Belgium.

Paddy O'Donoghue, Chapel Lane.

We extend our condolences to the family of William (Willie) Geaney, Drishaneore, Skibbereen who died recently. May he Rest in Peace.

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 every Monday & 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) Saturday mornings from 11.15am – 12 noon in the Presbytery, North Street.

**Recent baptism**: we welcome to our faith community Grace O'Driscoll, daughter of Patrick and Helen, Coronea Drive.

# **Return to Ordinary Time:**

Green is the liturgical colour of Ordinary Time which we find on priestly vestments and in our churches. It is the colour of life and hope. This weekend we return to Ordinary Time with the tenth Sunday, so as we move into the long days of summer we move into the longest liturgical season, which continues until the Advent season which begins again on the first of December.

Ordinary Time is a time for growth, a time in which the mystery of Christ is called to penetrate ever more deeply into our everyday lives, until we and all things are finally caught up in Christ. The mission, toward which all of us are called by Jesus is not to the "ordinary" but to the extraordinary. To be his disciples in truth and love!

# Exam Time is upon us, so we Pray: For God's peace to come.

Heavenly Father, only your peace can sustain me through the anxiety and stresses of exam nerves. Your peace surpasses all understanding. I ask for this gift and choose to lean upon you at this time. Lord, come and remind me of your unfailing love. Remind me that you hold me safe, you understand me, and you cherish me. I lay down my fears before you. I leave them at the foot of the cross, for you have overcome the world. I choose to give you all my concerns, worries and fears of failure. I trust that your loving hand will hold me through these exams and lead me into a bright future. Amen.

**Volunteer drivers** required for Meals on Wheels in Skibbereen and surrounding areas, please contact Brigid 086 812 5356

# RATH & THE ISLANDS BALTIMORE, WEST GORK

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Mass Intentions
Sunday 9th June – Tenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
9.30am Rath
10.00am Cape Clear
Monday 10th June - 10.15am Rath
Wednesday 12th June - 10.15am Rath
Friday 14th June - 10.15am Rath
Saturday 15th June
4.45pm – Sherkin
Sunday 16th June – Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time
9.30am Rath – Mary O'Driscoll, Baltimore Hill
10.00am Cape Clear

**Weekday Masses** – Monday, Wednesday and Friday at 10.15am. Confessions by appointment.

New rotas for the Communion Ministers, Ministers of the Word and Church Cleaners for June to December are available in the sacristy this weekend.

The O'Driscoll Clan Gathering will take place on the weekend of Friday 28th to Sunday 30th June. Mass times in Sherkin and Oileán Chléire just for this weekend will be as follows:

Oileán Chléire – Mass on Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> June at 3.30 p.m. in Séipéal Naomh Ciarán. Sherkin - Mass on Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> June at 11.00am at Sherkin Abbey. Normal schedule resumes the following weekend 6th-7th July.

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

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

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## **Evening of Thanksgiving and Nourishment for Diocesan Alpha Groups**

The Office for Mission and Ministry is hosting a gathering for Diocesan Alpha Groups on Thursday, June 13th, 2024, from 7.15pm to 9.00pm in the Visitors' Centre of the Cathedral of St. Mary and St. Anne. This invitation is extended to those who run Alpha, those who have attended Alpha and those who are considering running Alpha in the next year. Light refreshments will be provided. Please RSVP by contacting the Office for Mission and Ministry at 021-7355517 or through our online Contact Form: <a href="https://corkandross.org/office-for-mission-and-ministry">https://corkandross.org/office-for-mission-and-ministry</a>

**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.

**Totus Tuus pilgrimage to Fatima - 30th August - 6th September 2024**. Flights ex Cork. Cost: €815. Spiritual director: Fr. Marius O Reilly. For more information, contact Damien 087-2049048 or Marian Pilgrimages @ 01-8788159

**Baltimore Community Market** every Sunday from 11am to 1.30pm in the Community Hall, Baltimore.