

Next weekend we will celebrate **World Mission Sunday**, the Holy Father's annual appeal to support overseas mission and missionaries.

All offerings made on behalf of World Mission Sunday become part of the Holy Father's Universal Solidarity Fund. This Fund supports missionary activities in over 1,100 young dioceses, mostly in Africa, Asia, and Latin America. As young dioceses grow, so do their needs. On top of this, they are often found in remote areas devastated by conflict or natural disasters. The Universal Solidarity Fund provides aid so that missionaries can continue to go to these places to share the love of God.

Year of Prayer, Listening and Discernment:

Bishop Fintan's Letter of Invitation and Prayer Cards are available as you leave the church.

This week:

15 October St Teresa of Avila lived during the time of Martin Luther.
Patroness of Catholic writers.

17 October St Ignatius of Antioch.

18 October St Luke, Evangelist.

Finance Corner Sunday 6 October

Aughadown: €1,075
Castlehaven and Myross: €840 and
(Development Fund: €905)
Skibbereen: €1,315
Rath: €696

Points to ponder:

Always believe something wonderful is about to happen.
We can't change the past but we can start a new chapter with a happy ending.

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

- Fr Kevin O'Regan 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 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.



The Bishop of Cork and Ross invites people to respond to Church changes with a time of prayer, listening and discernment

Each Family of Parishes will be invited to participate, priests and people, in Spring-time gatherings focused on prayer, listening and discernment during the year ahead. Meetings with priests have already been held to prepare for these gatherings, and planning meetings with representatives from all the Families of Parishes will be held in November and December.

Prayer of the Diocese of Cork and Ross

Loving God, at baptism you have gifted us with a call to serve you and all people in all we do.

We ask you, Lord, to bless the people of Cork and Ross during this time of prayer and listening.

May we be attentive to the promptings of your Holy Spirit.

Open our eyes to see where you wish us to go in our faith communities and families of parishes.

Open our ears to hear the voice of Jesus, the Good Shepherd, leading us.

Open our hearts to follow you with joy and childlike trust.

Open our minds to new possibilities and ways of being your Church.

Fill us with hope and humility as we build the Kingdom of God together in our diocese at this time.

We ask this through Christ, Our Lord. Amen.



**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 12 October 2024

Saturday – 6.30pm Brian Foley, Bridge Street.
Peg Hodnett, Rosscarbery and Eileen O’Sullivan,
Cork Road.

Sunday 11am Margaret O’Donovan, Lakelands, First Anniversary.
Derry O’Sullivan, Lurriga.
Kevin Donelan, Townshend St., Month’s Mind.

Monday – 9.30am Special Intention.

Tuesday - 9.30am Eileen and Florence Crowley, Inchinagotagh.

Wednesday - 9.30am People of the Family of Parishes

Thursday - 9.30am Margaret O’Donovan, Lakelands.

Friday – 9.30am Anne Hurley, Milland.

Saturday – 6.30pm Ann Hurley, Mardyke St., First Anniversary.
Agnes O’Mahony, Curragh.

Sunday 11am David Morrison and his daughter, Gillian, Riverdale.
Peter Lynch, High Street.
Ellen Connolly, The Square, Skibbereen,
First Anniversary.

We extend our condolences to the family of Jerry Kennelly, Gortnaclohy, 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 both days. All welcome.

Confessions on Saturday at 10am to 11am.

Hospitality Morning, in the Presbytery, on Wednesday after the 9.30am Mass.

Diocesan Quarterly Collection this weekend 13th October 2024.

The Diocese supports parishes through all kinds of services such as Education, School Religious Faith Formation support, Mission and Ministry, Youth Ministry, Safeguarding, Stewardship and Governance and in areas such as Data Protection, Finance and property advisory. This assistance to parishes is only possible through your ongoing generosity. In July the Diocesan Quarterly Collection amounted to €47,324.70 for which the Diocese is most grateful. These collections allow us to support the work in Parishes and Families of Parishes. This work is vital to enable our parishes to be renewed and invigorated as we rebuild after Covid and begin this year of Prayer, Listening and Discernment. As we respond to Christ’s Mission to build his Kingdom of Love and Peace and Justice, we discern over the next year how God is calling us to be his Church and Faith Communities into the future. Your support for this collection would be greatly appreciated.

RCIA: - Would you or someone you know like to become Catholic or know more about the Catholic faith? The Rite of Christian Initiation (RCIA) will begin in the Visitors’ Centre of The Cathedral of St. Mary and St. Anne, Cork, on Monday, October 21st, 2024 (7.30pm – 9.00pm). Please contact the Office for Mission and Ministry (<https://corkandross.org/office-for-mission-and-ministry>) for more information.

Prayer Ministry Training for Alpha Teams: - The Office for Mission and Ministry are running Prayer Ministry Workshops for new and existing Alpha Teams in two venues: Wednesday, October 23rd, 2024 (7pm to 9pm) in the Visitors’ Centre of The Cathedral of St. Mary and St. Anne, Cork, and Thursday, October 24th (7pm – 9pm) in the Parish Centre, Clonakilty. Please contact the Office for Mission and Ministry (<https://corkandross.org/office-for-mission-and-ministry>) for more information.

Preparing to Receive the Sacrament of Confirmation as Adults: - The Office for Mission and Ministry are running a six-week preparation course for those who are over the age of 18, have been baptised, and have not received the Sacrament of Confirmation, commencing on Thursday, November 7th (7.30pm to 9.00pm) in the Visitors’ Centre of The Cathedral of St. Mary and St. Anne, Cork. Please contact the Office for Mission and Ministry (<https://corkandross.org/office-for-mission-and-ministry>) for more information.

St Bernadette’s Relics Pilgrimage to Cork & Ross: -

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The Relics will be displayed in the Cathedral of St Mary and St Anne (North Cathedral) on Wednesday October 30th from 4pm, and then on the following day, Thursday October 31st, they will travel to the Church of the Immaculate Conception Clonakilty for veneration starting at 2pm. Full programme of events available on the Diocesan website, www.corkandross.org.



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

Priest on Duty/Emergency – 086/7852262

Mass Intentions

Sunday 13th October – Twenty Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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

The McCarthy Family, Ardnagreine, Reengaroga

10.00am Cape Clear

Monday 14th October - 10.15am Rath

Wednesday 16th October - 10.15am Rath – Concubhar Ó Drisceoil

Friday 18th October - 10.15am Rath – Una & Liam Devlin and Isabel Gallagher

Saturday 19th October

4.45pm – Sherkin

Sunday 20th October – Twenty Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time

9.30am Rath – Patrick O’Driscoll, Baltimore Hill

10.00am Cape Clear

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

Confessions by appointment.

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Medjugorje Pilgrimage from Cork Airport

This pilgrimage travels to Medjugorje from Cork on 4th June 2025 for 7 nights. Please contact Jim Keogh 021 4885371 for more information.

Early Bird Offer €100 off per person for bookings paid in full before 15th November. Places are strictly limited so they are allocated on a first come first served basis.