WORLD MISSION DAY 2024

'Go and invite everyone to the banquet' (Matthew 22:9)

The parable of the banquet tells us that the least of our brothers and sisters, those marginalised by society, are the special guests of the king. The wedding feast is open to all, since God's love for each of us is immense and unconditional. Let us bring to everyone the invitation of the King, our Saviour. Holy Mary, Star of Evangelisation, pray for us! — Pope Francis

THIS WEEK

TUES 22: ST JOHN PAUL II, POPE, is honoured today, the anniversary of the inauguration of his ministry as universal pastor of the Church in 1978. As Bishop of Rome he visited 104 countries — including Ireland in 1979.

WED 23: Last day of the week-long Jewish feast of Sukkot (Tabernacles), celebrating the harvest and honouring the 40 years' exile in the desert endured by the Jewish people.

THURS 24: UNITED NATION DAY, marks the coming into force of the UN Charter in 1945.

FRI 25: BLESSED THADDEUS MCCARTHY (TADHG MACCÁRTHAIGH) was beatified in 1896. Appointed Bishop of Ross and then Bishop of Cork & Cloyne, he never got to act as bishop. On his way home from an appeal to the pope in Rome, he died at Ivrea, near Turin, where he is venerated to this day.

♦ POINTS TO PONDER ♦

"What you can see are God's gifts to you"

"Some things you hear with your ears, others you hear with your heart."

FINANCE CORNER, SUNDAY 13 OCTOBER

[with Special Collection for diocesan needs]
Aughadown: €802, Special € 550
Castlehaven & Myross: €690, Special €310
Kilmacabea: €610, Special € 280
Rath & The Islands € 600

• Special collection **this** Sunday for the Missions (the Pope's appeal to support 1,150 young dioceses, mostly in Africa).

CLERGY

- Fr Kevin O'Regan Co-PP, Skibbereen (MODERATOR). PHONE: 028 22878
- Fr Terry O'Brien, MSC Co-PP, Leap EMAIL: kilmacabeaparish@gmail.com
- Fr Bernard Cotter Co-PP, Union Hall TEXT OR WHATSAPP: 087 901 0627

USEFUL CONTACT NUMBERS
Alcoholics Anonymous, in West
Cork phone 087 611 4946.
Pieta House Crisis helpline 1800
247 247 or text HELP to 51444.
St Vincent de Paul, 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

FAMILY OF PARISHES OFFICE

TO BOOK MASSES, ARRANGE WEDDINGS, BAPTISMS, ANNIVERSARIES, ETC.
CONTACT THE PARISHES' OFFICE, 1 NORTH ST, SKIBBEREEN:
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St Ciarán & All Saints

NEWSLETTER

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

20 OCT 2024

MISSION SUNDAY

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HOW GOD TREATS HIS FRIENDS...

aint Teresa of Avila was dedicated to a mission of service. There is a story told which demonstrates the natural ease she had with God. Upset by an overturned carriage, she asks: "Lord, why did you do that to me?" The reply came: "This is what I do to all my friends". She answers: "It is not surprising then, Lord, that you have so few of them!"

This Sunday is World Mission Day, dedicated to prayer for God's



<u>PRAYER</u>

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LET NOTHING FRIGHTEN YOU,
ALL THINGS ARE PASSING AWAY:
GOD NEVER CHANGES.
PATIENCE OBTAINS ALL THINGS
WHOEVER HAS GOD LACKS NOTHING;
GOD ALONE SUFFICES.

— ST TERESA OF AVILA (1515-1582)

people. St Teresa's legacy sits well with the spirit of Mission Sunday. As followers of Christ, we are encouraged to make our faith more visible, as she did.

In his 2024 World Mission address, Pope Francis emphasises the call to invite all people to the divine banquet of salvation, symbolised in the parable of the wedding feast. As followers of Christ, we take part in this mission by offering our own witness to the gospel. St Teresa inspires us to see that when we are one with Him, we do that.

St John Henry Newman wrote: 'He has committed some work to me which he has not committed to another. I have a part in this great work.'

Deirdre Hardy [CATECHIST]
AUGHADOWN PARISH



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 20 October 2024

Saturday – 6.30pm Ann Hurley, Mardyke Street, 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.

Monday – 9.30am Pat Collins, Lake Marsh

Tuesday - 9.30am Special Intention.

Wednesday - 9.30am People of the Family of Parishes

Thursday - 9.30am Miriam and Jack Lynch, Ballygarvan.

Friday – 9.30am John and Kate Hurley, Milland.

Saturday – 6.30pm Wiliam Dwyer, Bunlick, First Anniversary.

Rose and Ger King, The Abbey.

Ann Marie O'Regan, Rosscarbery and Hillcrest, First Anniversary.

Sunday 11am Patrick White, Gortnaclohy.

Peter and Mary Kate Harrington, Kilnagospagh.

Hugh Quinn, Coronea, Month's Mind.

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.

St Patrick's parish would like to thank the eight Transition Year students from Skibbereen Community School who did an amazing job cleaning up the Sisters of Mercy graveyard which the parish took responsibility for in 2003.

The Bicentenary Committee would like to thank all those who helped organise and those who supported the garden party in August, it was a great success.

World famous Irish musician and songwriter, Phil Coulter returns to the very special venue of St Patrick's Cathedral Skibbereen on Wednesday 18th December at 8pm. This joint fundraising concert for Skibbereen Rowing Club and St Patrick's Cathedral Bicentenary will be particularly atmospheric so close to Christmas and tickets are sure to sell out fast. Ticket Price €40. Make sure to get your ticket from Abbey Furniture Skibbereen, Parish Office or https://www.eventbrite.com/o/skibbereen-rowing-club-and-st-patricks-cathedral-bicentenary-95289226873

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, 7

November (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.

The Legion of Mary meets every Monday at 6.30pm in the St Vincent de Paul rooms, Market Street. New members are welcome.

Special Olympics Ireland are starting a Young Athletes club in Skibbereen that will cater for 4-12 years with an intellectual disability. They are currently recruiting volunteers to fill the club management team roles of Chairperson, Treasurer, Secretary, Safeguarding Officer and Head Coach as well as general volunteers. There will be an online information meeting on Wednesday, October 30th @7:30pm. To register, please email Mairead O'Driscoll Mairead.odriscoll@specialolympics.ie or call 085 8544137.

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 20th October – Twenty Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time

9.30am Rath – Patrick O'Driscoll, Baltimore Hill

10.00am Cape Clear

Monday 21st October - 10.15am Rath

Wednesday 23rd October - 10.15am Rath - Mary Collins, Lissard

Friday 25th October - 10.15am Rath - Constance Chaplin

Saturday 26th October

4.45pm – Sherkin

Sunday 27th October – Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

9.30am Rath – Maureen McCarthy, Bunlick, Skibbereen

Claire O'Neill. Oldcourt

Mary Ann O'Neill, Oldcourt

Baby Johnny McCarthy Guy, Oldcourt & Bray

10.00am Cape Clear

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

Second Collection this weekend 20th October 2024 for the Propagation of the Faith.

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.

CLASS REUNION 1969-1974

Mercy Heights, Rossa College and St Fachtna's de la Salle. Past pupils who attended part or all of these five years are cordially invited to our forthcoming Reunion for an informal get together and finger food.

Venue: Daly's Store House, West Cork Hotel. Saturday October 26th at 8pm. Please spread the news and make contact by mid-October with any of the following -Vincent O'Neill 085 2691914, Carrie Holland 087 7902903, Mary O'Sullivan 086 6088194, Alwyn Harris 086 2504255

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St Bernadette's Relics Pilgrimage to Cork & Ross

For the first time, the Relics of St Bernadette are visiting Ireland, and we will have the privilege of welcoming them to the Diocese of Cork and Ross at the end of this month. The Diocese have put a full programme together to try and recreate something of the experience that Lourdes offers here at home.

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.

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.

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