



**Mass Times**

**Vigil Saturday: 6pm**

**Sundays: 9 am & 11 am**

**Working Holy Days: 10 am & 7.30 pm**

**Monday to Saturday: 10 am**



**Baptisms**

**James Daniel McCarthy.  
Adam John Porter.**



**Recently Deceased**

**Jeremiah Stout, Woodvale Road.**

*May the light of heaven surround him always.*



**The February SVP collection in St Michael's was €1855.**

St Michael's Conference SVP Blackrock thanks most sincerely the parishioners of Blackrock for their continued generous support of St Michael's Conference SVP Blackrock and all those supported by the conference.  
*John McAdoo, President.*

**LOURDES. Cork & Ross Pilgrimage 2019.**

10 – 15 JUNE - 5 nights  
Full Board Accommodation.  
Booking Forms Available for the Pilgrim Section from  
Joe Walsh Tours. 117 Patrick Street, Cork.  
Tel (021) 4277959



**Enquiries for Special Sick/Assisted Section to:**The Pilgrimage Director. V. Rev. Canon James O'Donovan. Parochial House, Ballinlough, Cork. Tel. (021) 4292296

**LOST:** Small blue hearing aid in vicinity of church last Sunday. Finder please contact Leo at 0872405212.

SECOND COLLECTION 9TH & 10TH FEBRUARY.  
Is for LOURDES INVALID FUND.

**PYXES NEEDED**

Our Parish is running short of Pyxes, which are used to carry the Blessed Eucharist to parishioners who may be unwell and housebound. If anybody has a pyx lying around unused, please return it to the Sacristy at your earliest convenience. Thank you.

**SAMUEL PROGRAMME**

Are you 18-35ish? Do you know what God is calling you to do with your life? Do you wish you could trust more when making life decisions? We will be starting a Samuel Programme for young adults on Sunday, 17th February in Clonakilty Parish Centre and a group in Cork city - due to demand! There will be a gathering once a month for 6 months. For more details or to book a place contact [eavopost@gmail.com](mailto:eavopost@gmail.com) or call 0872209994.

**Faith Encounters in the Gospels** – three sessions – Tuesdays 12th, 19th & 26th February. Coffee from 10:30am, session from 11:00am to 12:15pm at the Pastoral Development Office, Ballyphehane – facilitated by Sr Karen. Reserve your place on 021 4537601.

**Some Inspiration**

At the beginning of the new millennium, and at the close of the Great Jubilee during which we celebrated the two thousandth anniversary of the birth of Jesus and a new stage of the Church's journey begins, our hearts ring out with the words of Jesus when one day, after speaking to the crowds from Simon's boat, he invited the Apostle to "put out into the deep" for a catch: "Duc in altum" (Lk 5:4). Peter and his first companions trusted Christ's words and cast the nets. "When they had done this, they caught a great number of fish" (Lk 5:6).

*Duc in altum!* These words ring out for us today, and they invite us to remember the past with gratitude, to live the present with enthusiasm and to look forward to the future with confidence: "Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and forever" (Heb 13:8).

*John Paul II, Novo Millennio Ineunte*



The photo comes from a new church on the Sea of Galilee at Magdala.

The "boat" is the altar, with lectern, cross and tabernacle.

**Days of Recollection**

Guided by the writings of the Servant of God, Mother Marie Adele Garnier (1838-1924), foundress of the Adorers of the Sacred Heart of Jesus of Montmartre, OSB. Takes place on **Saturday 23rd February 2019**. The theme this month is: The Beatitudes at St Benedict's Priory, The Mount, Cobh. Begins at 9am with Holy Mass & Adoration. 1st talk at 11.00am. Day ends with tea at 3.30. Lunch provided. Donations welcome to cover costs. To book your place or to arrange to stay in our retreat house at any time, please contact: Mother Prioress: 021-4811 354 or email [cobhtyburnconvent@gmail.com](mailto:cobhtyburnconvent@gmail.com)

**FREE PROFESSIONAL TRAINING PROGRAMME**

Northridge House, at St Luke's Home are offering a Free Professional Training Programme for those wishing to become Carers. The programme is on behalf of South West Gno Skillnets and is open to those on receipt of Social Welfare. The courses includes two QQI Level 5 Modules and other essential training for this important role. It is an area in which there is a shortage of qualified carers. The Course commences 20th March and has 12 full days concluding 12th June. Interviews are on 12th February and prior booking is essential. Places limited to 20. Call Claire at 021-536551 for further information.

**Vacancy for Receptionist/Secretary** Cork and Ross Pastoral Development Office, Ballyphehane - Must be eligible for CE scheme – 19.5 hours per week. Details contact Nellie Crowley on 021 4345583 or Fr Charlie 021 4537474. Please send CV and cover letter to [southsidetdl@eircom.net](mailto:southsidetdl@eircom.net)

**Reflections**

1. The invitation from Jesus to put out the net again, with surprising results. Have there been times when you had little hope of results, but decided to try once again and were pleasantly surprised by what happened?

2. "Put out into the deep water": When have you found that blessings, or progress, came when you had the courage to venture into unfamiliar waters, where you felt uneasy and insecure? What, or who, helped to give you that courage?

3. Simon had a profound sense of a power at work that he could not understand. When have you had a sense of the divine breaking into everyday experience?

4. The disciples "left everything and followed Jesus": This step was preceded by their experience of the concern of Jesus for them, the attraction of his work, teaching and actions. Recall the story of key decisions or turning points in your life. Who was Jesus for you in those situations?

**PRAYER**

Most holy God, the earth is filled with your glory and in your presence angels stand in awe. Enlarge our vision, that we may recognise your power at work in your Son and join the apostles and prophets as heralds of your saving word.



**CATHOLIC PAPERS SUMMARY**

**Irish Catholic** (1) Dublin Massgoers asked for creative ideas to reach the unchurched (2) David Quinn: The Church in Ireland badly needs a public affairs office (3) Pope opens first-ever trip to Arabian Peninsula touting dialogue and peace

**Universe** Vatican clarifies Pope's comments on sexual abuse of women religious

**Catholic Herald** (1) The dangerous rise of the polite Catholic (2) The Pope's courage in Abu Dhabi

**Parish Café**

Coffee/Tea morning is held at the Parish Centre each Thursday morning from 10.30am to approximately 11.15am. It is a very pleasant gathering with lots of chat. A warm welcome and friendly company is guaranteed.



**MORNING REFLECTION FOR CARERS**

1. The Anchorage Institute is offering a **Morning Reflection for Carers**, which involves a morning of supporting people in a Care Relationship. Dates for this even are 12th February, 12th March & 9th April 2018, from 10:30am to 12pm.

2. **Soul Enrichment Course**, learning to listen with the heart, which will take place over 5 Saturdays, 10am – 4pm from March to July 2019. Both events are offered in Northridge House Education & Research Centre, St Luke's Home, Castle road, Mahon. Contact Vincent O'Grady at 0871679586.

**ST. JOSEPH'S YOUNG PRIESTS SOCIETY.**

Monthly meeting will be held on Monday 11th. February in the Parish Centre at 10.35am.  
NEW MEMBERS ALWAYS WELCOME.

**Thought for the day**

We tend to think of the first disciples as somehow "clergy" with a call special to them. But that is not adequate. Jesus is first of all calling disciples, that is ordinary people, including ourselves. Discipleship includes experience, learning and risk. What experiences have brought me this far? What have I learned and am I still learning? How about the call to "put out into the deep"? Is the Lord asking of me a deeper following, both costly and lifegiving? How am I responding? Is there something in me hesitating and holding back? Do I need to hear again the words, "Do not be afraid"?  
Prayer

God of surprises, help us to take the risk of following Jesus on a path of discipleship costing "not less than everything." Help us to let go, that we may live the Gospel fully and richly.

K. O'Mahony OSA

*Today's Hymns*

**PLEASE JOIN WITH OUR CHOIR IN THE SINGING**

*Entrance*

Christ be beside me, Christ be before me,  
Christ be behind me, King of my heart.  
Christ be within me, Christ be below me,  
Christ be above me, never to part.

Christ on my right hand, Christ on my left hand,  
Christ all around me, shield in the strife.  
Christ in my sleeping, Christ in my sitting,  
Christ in my rising, light of my heart.

Christ be in all hearts thinking about me,  
Christ be on all tongues telling of me.  
Christ be the vision in eyes that see me,  
In ears that hear me Christ ever be.

*Recessional*

Hail Queen of heav'n the ocean star,  
Guide of the wand'rer here below:  
Thrown on life's surge,  
We claim thy care:  
Save us from peril and from woe.  
Mother of Christ, star of the sea,  
Pray for the wand'rer, pray for me.

O gentle, chaste and spotless maid,  
We sinners make our prayers through thee:  
Remind thy Son that he has paid  
The price for our iniquity.  
Virgin most pure, star of the sea,  
Pray for the sinner, pray for me.

If you would like a detailed commentary on the Scripture Readings (audio and pdf) for each week of the year, please e mail [kamahony1@me.com](mailto:kamahony1@me.com) or visit [www.tarsus.ie](http://www.tarsus.ie)