

Mass Times

Vigil Saturday: 6pm

Sundays: 9 am & 11 am

Working Holy Days: 10 am & 7.30 pm

Monday to Saturday: 10 am



Baptism

**Brendan Saran Hatchell,
Aoife Ingrid Hatchell,
Joshua James O'Leary,
Gabrielle Marie Walsh**



We welcome them into the Christian Family

FIRST FRIDAY EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT.

On Friday 6th September following morning Mass, Rosary & Benediction at 7.00pm. There are sheets on the tables in the church where parishioners can indicate the times most suitable for them to be present. We would like that there would be 2 people present for each period. If there are vacant periods, we would appreciate volunteers to fill these times by putting their names on the list. Thank you.

Today is a World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation.

Pope Francis has said: 'The ecological crisis thus summons us to a profound spiritual conversion: Christians are called to an ecological conversion whereby the effects of their encounter with Jesus Christ become evident in their relationship with the world around them. For 'living our vocation to be protectors of God's handiwork is essential to a life of virtues; it is not an optional or a secondary aspect of our Christian experience.'

God of love, show us our place in this world as channels of Your love for all the creatures of this earth, for not one of them is forgotten in Your sight... O Lord seize us with Your power and light, help us to protect all life, to prepare for a better future, for the coming of Your Kingdom of justice, peace, love and beauty. Praise to You, Amen.

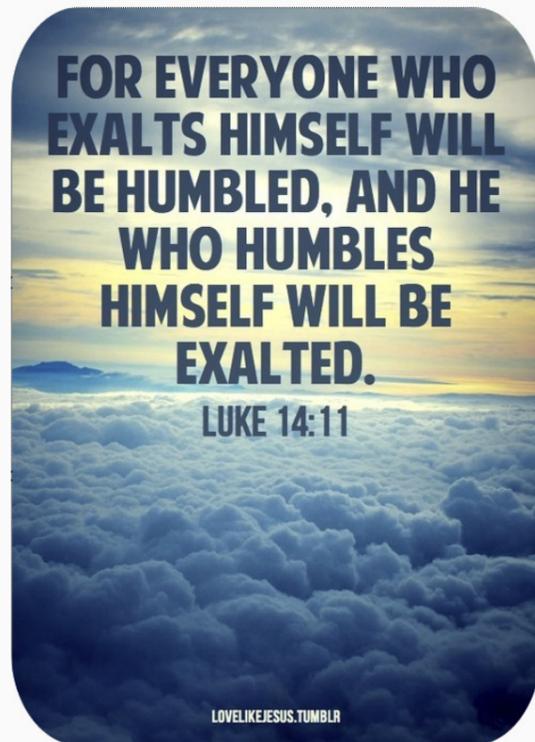
Anam Cara Cork the organisation that supports bereaved parents, is holding a Parent Support Evening on 4th September at 7:20pm in the Clayton Hotel, Cork City. This is a free event and open to all bereaved parents. For further information see www.anamcara.ie or call 085 2888 888.



BLACKROCK VINCENT DE PAUL SATURDAY 31st AUGUST 2019 & SUNDAY 1st SEPTEMBER 2019

SMA PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES 2019.

Organiser & Spiritual Director: Fr. Martin Kavanagh.
14th – 19th SEPTEMBER: Flights ex CORK & DUBLIN. HOTEL ROISSY **** €749.00 PER PERSON SHARING. Deposit €200.00 per person. Single Room Supplement €180 per person. CONTACT FR. MARTIN KAVANAGH. 021- 4292871



Interested in learning Spanish?

Cork Spanish Circle (Established 1949, serving Cork for 70 years), will be holding night classes for adults at four levels from Beginners to Advanced. Classes are held on Wednesday nights in Cork Bridge Club, 37 Patricks Quay, Cork. Suitable for people who want to do the Camino de Santiago or to be a lay missionary in Spanish speaking countries or who just want to learn Spanish or to improve their level. **Registration Wednesday, 11th September at 8pm to 9pm.** Classes commence Wednesday, 18th September at 7:30pm for first and third years and at 8:30pm for second and fourth years. Fee €100 (Please note this fee is for the year, from September 2019 to May 2020). Enquiries: Phone (021) 4341409 after 6pm or www.corkspanishcircle.com. Pat Murray (Chairperson).

An illustrated talk on 'Native Birds in Ireland and Bird Migration' will be held in Nano Nagle Birthplace, near Killavullen on Saturday, 7th September at 11am. It will be delivered by Dr Tom Kelly. To book ring 022-26411. Liz, Secretary, Nano Nagle Birthplace.

Mahon Family Resource Centre are holding a baby massage course starting on Friday, September 20th at 11:30am. The course is for 4 weeks and costs €30 in total. If you are interested in joining or for more information please contact Christine on 021- 4358866.

Cork Autism Conference 2019 - Autism: No Limits, Just Possibilities, Sunday September 22nd at Clayton Silversprings Hotel, Cork. The conference provides a unique forum for Parents, Families, Caregivers, Autistic Adults, Employers, Educators, Professionals, Agencies, Advocates and anyone with an interest in autism. More info here: www.bookwhen.com/autismcork or call 089 239 8900.

Reflections

1. The first scene portrays a common dilemma—choosing between a received tradition and what is good in a particular situation. When have I been faced with such dilemmas and how did I respond?
2. Jesus consistently places the "good" above the rules, a challenging position for today's church at a critical juncture. For example, the Catholic tradition of a celibate clergy can result in depriving communities of the Eucharist. Have I had similar experiences in my own sphere of influence?
3. Seeking respect and (metaphorically) my place at the table is a normal human desire. It can become deformed into the raw putting of myself first while ignoring others.
4. In a disturbing way, Jesus upturns the everyday view of social interaction and relationships. The radical call of the gospel can be very threatening and yet we know that this practical expression mirrors the inclusivity of Jesus' own proclamation. Where do I feel such a radical call and how do I act?

PRAYER

God and judge of all, you show us that the way to your kingdom is through humility and service. Keep us true to the path of justice and give us the reward promised to those who make a place for the rejected and the poor. Amen.

CONVENT CAMINO: an invitation to join us on a journey visiting four different convents in one day, on Saturday, 14th September beginning at 10am at the OLA Sisters, Ardfoyle, Ballintemple & then moving on to the Ursuline Convent, Blackrock, Poor Clare Monastery & Bon Secours Convent on College Road. An opportunity for the curious or interested to share prayer, Eucharist, meals, silence and chat with the sisters in each community. For more details or to reserve a place contact Sr Karen 087 7910785 or Anne Marie at eavopost@gmail.com.

LECTIO DIVINA IN HOLY CROSS

Lectio Divina is a way of reflecting on the Gospel in such a way that we recognise our own lives in it as well as the world in which we live. The first session of Lectio Divina will be held on Monday morning, September 2nd in Holy Cross meeting room. Tea and coffee for those who wish at 10am and the session will run from 10:30 to 11:30 facilitated by Patricia Cahill. All are welcome.

We would ask parishioners to be good enough to switch off mobile phones during Mass. Thank you



Learn Italian The Easy Way

Italian classes with native Italian teachers are conducted every Monday night, from September to May, in the Ursuline Secondary School, BlackRock. Five Cultural Evening Lectures, on a variety of Italian topics, are also given during the year. Enrolment for Classes is at 7.30 pm on Monday 9th September. For more information see our Dante Alighieri Society, Cork Website www.cork-italian-society.com or Email dantecork@hotmail.com or phone Leo at 087 2405212



Thought for the day

Customs surrounding hospitality are deeply embedded in every culture. Normally, we pay little attention to this because we just act "normally." When we change cultures, however, even simple things like words and gestures of greeting are new, often different. Jesus, in his ministry, took on such deeply embedded, self-serving customs and reversed them in the light of the Gospel reversal of all values. Radical change is always resisted and even today his teaching is put in practice only by the few.

Prayer

Compassionate God, at your table, all are welcome. As we enjoy your hospitality, help us to take it to heart, so that as we have received, so we may give.

K. O'Mahony OSA



CATHOLIC PAPERS SUMMARY

- Irish Catholic.** (1) Medical Matters - Time for a truly fair deal for our eldest citizens. (2). Hired security deny access to Little Nellie's Cork grave. (3). Chai Brady discusses Hong Kong's mass protests and fears of military intervention.
- St, Martin Magazine.** (1) On growing old. -- gracefully or otherwise (2). John Henry Newman.
- Catholic Voice.** (1). Science without religion is a costly, genocidal failure(2). Why can only men become priests?
- Universe** (1) We must never forget the key role women played in Jesus's life.(2). Fr. Shay Cullen: Brazil's plight is our concern.
- Catholic Herald.** (1). Mary Kenny: Europe's exemplary royal families.(2). G.K. Chesterton's alleged anti-Semitism helped to block his Cause. Two Writers argue over the evidence.
- Catholic Times.** (1). Spirituality 'just tip of iceberg' for JFK Airport chaplain always on the go(2). Fr. Marsden: Pope denounces sovereignty movement, says it causes wars

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CORK REGIONAL PIONEER COUNCIL

On Sunday 6th October, Cork Pioneers are organising a coach to Dublin, to attend a special Mass at 3pm at the Shrine of Matt Talbot, in our Lady of Lourdes Church in Dublin. Cost €50 includes coach trip and evening meal. Everyone is welcome. To reserve your seat or for further information please contact Sorcha 0863642619 or Aislinn 0879699488. The next meeting of Cork Regional Pioneer Council will take place on 11th September at 8pm in the S.M.A hall in Wilton at 8pm. Sorcha Uí Laoghaire, Chairperson, Cork Regional Pioneer Council.