

### Mass Times

**Sundays:** 9 am & 11 am  
**Working Holy Days:** 10 am  
**Monday to Friday:** 10 am  
**Saturday Vigil:** 6.00 pm  
**Fr Colin Doocey Adm. Pro Tem**



### Baptisms

**Cúan Tadhg Peter Pinney**  
**Conrad T Power**  
**Harry Jack M O'Donovan**



We welcome them into the Christian Family

### Annual Chrism Mass

Holy Thursday Morning  
10.00am from the Cathedral.  
Live streamed.



This year, for the first time in three years, we can gather for the Chrism Mass in the Cathedral at 10am on Holy Thursday morning. This is the first opportunity since I came to the Diocese that we can gather together in-person for the Chrism Mass as we renew our priestly promises, bless the Oils of Catechumens and Infirmorum and consecrate the Oil of Chrism for the celebration of the Sacraments in parishes for the coming year. I am really looking forward to this fraternal occasion together.

This will also be the first opportunity for people in parishes to join in the Chrism Mass in-person since 2019 as part of our Diocesan family

Wishing you continued prayerful good wishes as we approach the Easter Triduum.  
Looking forward to joining with you for the Chrism Mass.

Yours sincerely in Christ

+ *Fintan Gavin*

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Bishop of Cork and Ross.

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**DO NOT RETURN IT TO THE TABLE**

**BLACKROCK ST VINCENT DE PAUL**

The Collection last Sunday raised €2085

A great response and support from parishioners.

Thanks to all collectors.

### PARISH DEFIBRILLATORS

There are now 2 Defibrillators located in the Parish, one in the village & one outside Murphy's Circle K Petrol Station. The code to operate both is 2017

**Priests' collection for Easter will take place on Easter Sunday**

### WHAT THE PAPERS SAY...

**Irish Catholic.** (1) Fr. Vincent Sherlock: Easter calls us to show respect and be truly Christian. (2) The Sunday Gospel with Fr. Sylvester O'Flynn: In the brotherhood of suffering all are equal. (3) David Quinn: Even if it means compromise, we truly need peace now. (4) Michael Kelly: We must long to breathe the fresh air of human contact.

**Catholic Voice.** (1) Morgan Sharpe: Bernadette of Lourdes. (2) John Paul Sonnen: Understanding the Spiritual Power of Holy Water. (3) Anthony Hoffer: Is it futile to fight overwhelming force? (4) The fruits of fasting.

**Sacred Heart Messenger** (1) Fr. Gerard Condon, Cloyne diocesan adviser for religious education, explores the changing face of First Communion (2) The Pope goes shopping in Rome. (3) Fr. Niall Leahy SJ: Who would be a priest to-day?

**Tablet of 9/4:** (1) Sarah MacDonald: Kerry diocese launches lay-led ministry. (2) Ukrainian Churches call for continued struggle against Russia. (3) A feeling of despair has led some Orthodox believers to question their faith

**Tablet of 2/4** (1) Adrian Chiles: The topsy turvy world of football. (2) The Synodal Process —. How far should Catholics be able to go?

Collection for the Holy Places will take place on Good Friday.

### HOLY WEEK CEREMONIES 2022

#### PALM SUNDAY

Blessing of the Palms

#### HOLY THURSDAY

Mass of the Lord's Supper at 7.00 pm  
Holy Hour after at the Altar of Repose

#### GOOD FRIDAY

Stations of the Cross 12 noon  
Passion of the Lord 3.00pm  
No stations of the Cross on Good Friday evening.

#### HOLY SATURDAY

Easter Vigil 7.00pm

#### EASTER SUNDAY

Mass at 9.00am and 11.00am

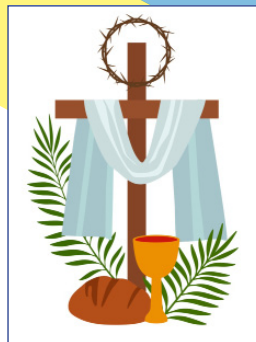
#### CONFESSIONS

Mon, Tue, Wed Holy Week after 10.00am Mass.  
After 12.00 Stations and 3.00 Veneration of the Cross

Our celebrant and preacher for the Matt Talbot Novena 7:30pm The Way of the Cross Church, Togher.  
Monday 11th April Rev Canon John Paul Hegarty, PP The Lough Parish.

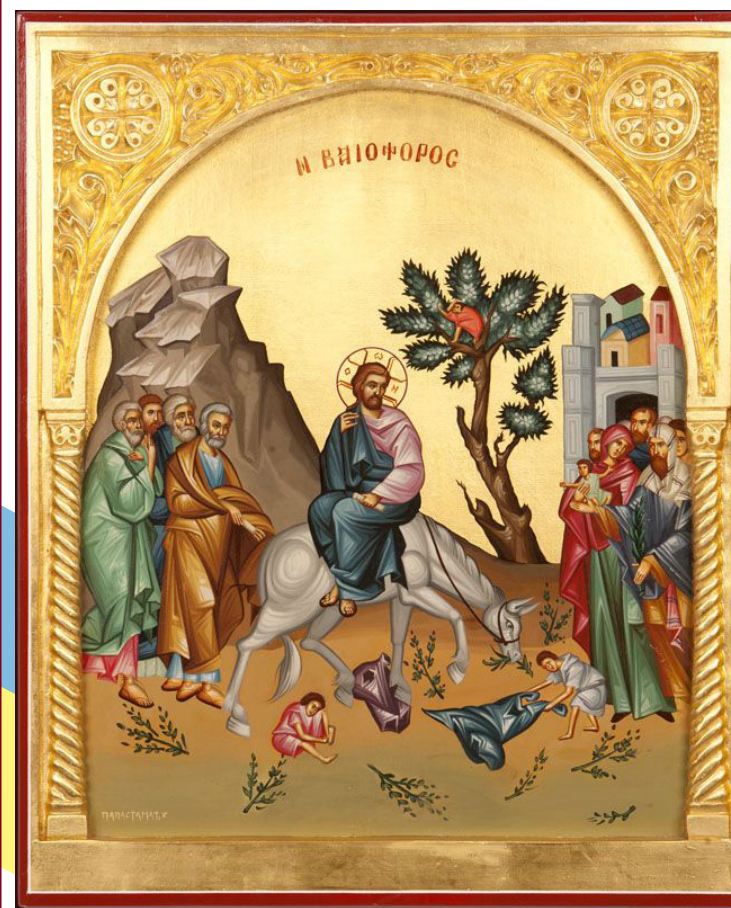
### BLACKROCK ST VINCENT DE PAUL

Fr. Colin has generously offered the poor box near the exit as a collection point for SVP. If you wish to contribute any time, it would be appreciated.



### Ukraine Humanitarian Aid Event

**Music of Tenebrae of Holy Week** will be performed at Saints Peter & Paul's Church on Sunday 10th. April at 8p.m.  
Singers: Saoire Daly, Denise Brueckl, Rhoda Dullea, Peter Stobart & Ben Jacob. This event for a very worthy cause is non-ticketed. Exit donation only.



### Totus Tuus Pilgrimage to Fatima

September 5th -12th 2022

Seven nights in Hotel Steyler. Price: €735 pp  
Spiritual Director: Fr. Marius O Reilly  
Phone Damien 087-2049048 for more details

### Footsteps in Faith from St. Finbarr's South Church to Scala in Blackrock

Tuesday 12th April at 6:30pm.  
Starts at Saint Finbarr South Parish.  
A gathering for anyone in their 20s/30s who want to take a pleasant walk to Scala in Blackrock. Everyone is welcome to have a chat about faith, or what it is like to be spiritual in today's world, or anything really!  
The walk will be followed by food and drinks. All welcome!

**Anam Cara West Cork** the organisation that supports bereaved parents, is holding a Parent Evening on Tuesday 19th April at 7:20pm in the Munster Arms Hotel, Bandon. This is a free event and open to all bereaved parents. For further information please contact us on 085 288 8888 or [info@anamcara.ie](mailto:info@anamcara.ie) call 01 4045378



### Thought for the day

Official memorial celebrations are familiar to us, marking great world or national events. Often, these are coloured by a mixture of sadness and gratitude. The Christian memorial of the last week of Jesus' life is entirely different. First of all, we tell the whole story again because he is risen from the dead. Secondly, this memorial is an effective one: as we do this in memory of him, the very same gifts of compassion, forgiveness, love and healing are offered again to all present, precisely because Jesus is risen from the dead. Our Christian memory is not a dead remembering but an effective bringing into the present of the great events that gave us new life in Christ.

#### Prayer

*Saving God, as we recall in word and gesture the great events of salvation, let us know your healing love. Amen.*

#### Reflections

When you read the Gospel passage, stay with whatever part of it resonates with your own life, but make sure when you pray it that you stay with the passage until you get beyond the violence and the horror to find a good news lesson for you. A few specific points taken at random are:

1. In this scene of great tragedy, there are people helping others, either reluctantly or with compassion: Simon, the women of Jerusalem, the criminal on the cross, and Jesus himself. Note the differences in the manner in which the help given (as a burden, with sympathy, etc). What has been your experience of helping and being helped?
2. Despite the persecution by the leaders Jesus still shows forgiveness. When have you seen that spirit of forgiveness in yourself or in others? In your experience what is the effect of a forgiving spirit ... or the absence of that spirit?
3. Towards the end there is a ray of light. Jesus says "Father, into your hands I commend my spirit." His relationship with his Father was one of trust, even at a moment like this. What difference has it made to you in times of difficulty or pain to have a relationship of trust with God, or with someone else?

#### PRAYER

*O God of eternal glory, you anointed Jesus your servant to bear our sins, to encourage the weary, to raise up and restore the fallen. Keep before our eyes the splendour of the paschal mystery of Christ and, by our sharing in the passion and resurrection, seal our lives with the victorious sign of his obedience and exaltation. Amen.* K O'Mahony OSA

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