

Mass Times

Sundays: 9 am & 11 am
Saturday Vigil: 6.00 pm
Tuesday & Friday: 9.30 am
Fr Colin Doocey Adm.



ICE CREAM SUNDAY

Our annual Ice Cream Sunday will take place on **Sunday 25th June after 11.00 mass**. Please join us when we will have an ice cream van ready to serve refreッシング goodies outside the parish centre!! *Please bring the kids along!!*
Open to everyone - see you there.



Recent Collections

DISASTER APPEAL COLLECTION TURKEY & SYRIA
€5,570.00
Trocaire Boxes during Lent €2,979.40
Thank you all for your support.

BLACKROCK ST VINCENT DE PAUL

The Collection last Sunday raised **€2600**
A great response and support from parishioners.
Thank you.

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.

Day for Life 2023

Day for Life is celebrated this year on **Sunday 18 June**. The theme is 'Listen to Her' and focuses on the experience of one Catholic woman in the aftermath of abortion. It tells of her journey towards healing. The hope is that this will help people to listen, to understand and to respond with compassion.
You can read the message in full on www.councilforlife.ie

Novena to the Sacred Heart,

Sacred Heart Church, Western Road, Cork.
Thursday June 8th to Friday June 16th 2023.
Daily 10am & 8pm

Thrs 8th June to Sun 11th June - Bro. Barry (Alexian Bro)
Fr. Manus Ferry MSC Monday 12th to Thurs 15th June
Frances Hogan Thurs 15th (3pm to 5pm) Friday 16th June

Mass at St. Michael's Cemetery Blackrock on Wednesday 28th June at 7.30 pm.

Family members, friends and neighbours of all those buried in St. Michaels Cemetery are invited to attend.
Please bring your own chairs as seating will not be provided.
In the event of bad weather Mass will be celebrated in Holy Cross Church.
Extra Parking and toilet facilities in St. Michael's GAA grounds.

You may be using your mobile phone for Mass, if so, please ensure it is on silent. If not, please switch it off. Thank you



Some thoughts on today's Gospel....

Jesus here reveals the hospitality of God. Everyone is invited to the divine banquet: what matters is for each of us to foster our relationship with Jesus. Eating his flesh and drinking his blood is not an invitation to cannibalism, as the Jews feared. Instead, in the Eucharist the bread and wine are given a new and awesomely deep meaning: they become the very person of Jesus.

In the Eucharist we deepen our relationship with Jesus, not mechanically but by becoming more and more like him over the years. We meet God in this mysterious and dramatic way: God gives himself to us, and we try to shape our lives into a loving gift for God. In heaven there will be no Eucharist as we know it, because our bonding with God will then be complete.

THE PAPERS SAY.....

Irish Catholic. (1). Fr. Martin Delaney; Serious conversations about 'bouncy castle Catholics'. (2). Elise Ann Allen: Vatican reaffirms traditional stance against IVF and contraception. (3). Nuala O'Loan: A need for fewer churches and larger, vibrant communities. (4) David Quinn: Census 2022 reveals widening cracks in Irish social foundations.
Sacred Heart Messenger. (1) Ciara Murphy writes about the potential for public land to transform communities. (2). Racism —. Opposite of Encounter. (3). Fr. Peter McVerry SJ, author and social advocate writes on the God of Disguises. (4). Childrens Pages.

Tablet. (1). Michael Sean Winters: Religion and Politics —. America's lost middle. (2). New evangelisation —. The shoes of the fisherman —. Can Bishop Robert Barron save Catholicism? (3). Diocese of Down and Connor sets out plans for greater lay participation in funeral rites. (4). Remains of African American nun found 'incorrupt'.

Synodal Times. (1). Fr. Eamonn Conway: What will and won't be discussed at this year's Synod of Bishops. (2). Dr. Luke Macnamara OSB: Listening for the Holy Spirit. — Learning from the life of the Apostolic Church. (3). Vatican announces laypeople, including women, will vote in Synod on Synodality assembly. (4). Synod organisers say process should lead to greater local control in Catholic Church.

Catholic Voice. (1). Two troubling questions about the Hate Speech Bill. (2). Fr. Richard Hellman: This Eucharistic Revival will bring everyone back to the Church. (3). Bullet Proofing your Marriage. (4). What a Eucharistic Civilisation means.

The Procession will follow a new route concluding at The Church of St Peter and Paul, Paul Street, for a Homily and Benediction celebrated by Most Reverend Fintan Gavin, Bishop of Cork and Ross.

People are welcome to join at the start or any part of the Procession from the Cathedral or attend directly at St Peter and Paul.

THE 97th EUCHARISTIC PROCESSION
on the Feast of Corpus Christi

Sunday 11th June, 2023
3rd Beginning at the Cathedral of St. Mary and St. Anne

Sunday of the Body and Blood of Christ

The Eucharist is both goal of unity and means of communion. This year, we celebrate Corpus Christi as a family of faith walking the Synodal Pathway. For a combined reflection, let me suggest a recent agreed statement (Erfurt 2017) of the Anglican Roman Catholic International Commission (ARCIC III):

Walking Together on the Way: Learning to Be the Church— Local, Regional, Universal

CATECHISM OF THE CATHOLIC CHURCH

FAITH FORMATION FOR FAMILIES AND PARISHES

PILGRIMAGE TO THE SHRINE OF OUR LADY OF KNOCK

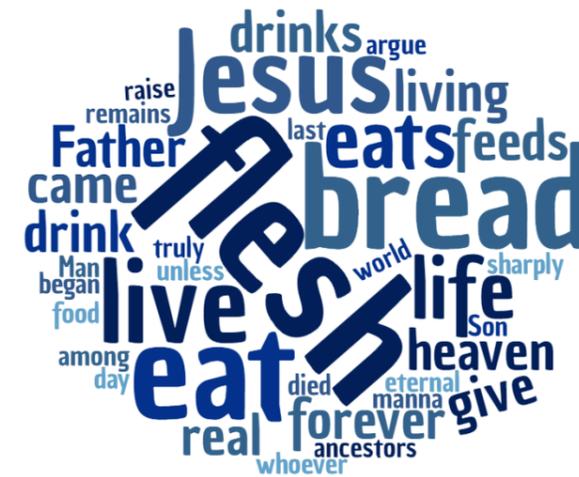
International Eucharistic and Marian Shrine

SATURDAY 17th JUNE 2023



Celebrant of Holy Mass and Homilist

MOST REV. BRENDAN KELLY Bishop Emeritus of Galway



VOCATIONS AFTERNOON

Saturday 17th June 2- 4 pm

Poor Clare Monastery, College Road, Cork.

For young women considering a vocation

Email: vocationspoorclarescork@gmail.com

www.poorclarescork.ie

PARISH DEFIBRILLATORS

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

Thought for the day

Jesus himself practised open table-fellowship, to express God's unconditional love and acceptance. Before he died, he spoke words over the bread and wine, words which disclosed the meaning of his death and resurrection. When St Paul wrote to the Corinthians about the Lord's Supper, he had to remind them that the sacrament is meant to be a communion among all who celebrate it and to have a practical affect in our lives. As Benedict XVI wrote: A Eucharist which does not pass over into the concrete practice of love is essentially fragmented (God is Love).

Prayer

Lord, as gather around your table, help to recognise you in the breaking of the bread and in each other. May we live the communion we receive by practicing both service and reconciliation. Amen.

K O'Mahony OSA

Reflections

1. Jesus tells us that to have life we need more than physical nourishment. How have you been aware of deeper hungers? What has met that deeper longing in you?
2. Jesus tells us that it is not just some- thing he gives us which will give us life, but himself in his life, death and resurrection. How has your faith in the per- son of Jesus fed you?
3. Jesus speaks about 'drawing life' from him. In day to day living what are the practices which support your faith and help you to draw life from Jesus?
4. The Eucharist is one of the ways in which we draw life from Jesus. Recall with gratitude how the Eucharist has been a source of nourishment and life for you.
5. Perhaps you can also think of human examples of people drawing life from one another. From whom have you drawn life? Who has been able to draw life from you?

PRAYER

O God of pilgrims, you accompany us always on the road of life. You fed the people of Israel in the desert. Today, you feed your people through Jesus Christ, our living bread of life. May this food so satisfy us that we may always hunger for that true life found in you alone. Amen.

Anam Cara West Cork

the organisation that supports bereaved parents, is holding a Parent Evening on **Tuesday 20th June at 7:20pm in the Mill Court, Mill Place, Bandon P72 E938**. 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



If you would like to receive a weekly commentary on the Weekly Scripture Readings, both in AUDIO, VIDEO and in PDF, please log on to www.tarsus.ie and register to receive the emails. K O'Mahony OSA