

CLONAKILTY FAMILY OF PARISHES

Newsletter

Clonakilty Family of Parishes comprises the parishes of Ardfield, Barryroe, Clonakilty, Kilmeen, Rosscarbery, and Timoleague.

Parishes' Office (023) 883 5654.

Sunday
16th November 2025
33rd Sunday of the year

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One body, one spirit, in Christ

POINTS OF VIEW

From the First Sunday of Advent in the diocese of Cork and Ross, we will make three slight changes in our 'Points of View' at Mass.

In order to make our postures more closely aligned with the meaning of the parts of the celebration, and to follow practices in the rest of the country, and indeed with the rest of the Roman Catholic world, we will stand for three additional moments at Mass beginning with the Saturday night and Sunday morning Masses at the start of Advent (29th-30th of this month):

- From the start of Mass until we sit for the readings.
- When the priest says 'Pray, brothers and sisters' until we have finished singing or saying the 'Holy, holy, holy Lord'.
- For the Prayer after Communion until Mass has ended.

Standing is a posture of activity, and recalls our baptismal dignity already sharing in Our Lord's glory in the resurrection. It will be easier for us also to sing the *Lord, have mercy*, the *Glory to God*, and the *Holy, holy*, with unencumbered lungs.

The new arrangements for us in Cork and Ross are also in line with ancient practices, with assisting at what used to be called 'High Mass', and with the liturgical renewal of the Second Vatican Council that encouraged full, active and conscious participation of all Christ's faithful in the sacred liturgy, not just praying interiorly and observing, but joining in the celebration in body and voice too.

Speaking of vocal participation, our family of parishes will make some small changes to our singing the Mass also on the First Sunday of Advent. More on that in next Sunday's newsletter.

COMMUNITY NOTICES

Irish Cancer Society are recruiting volunteer drivers

The Irish Cancer Society is seeking compassionate volunteer drivers in our community. Your time can help to continue the vital service of providing transport for patients attending cancer treatment appointments. If you have a few hours to spare, a valid driving license, and a safe, reliable vehicle, you're the perfect candidate to make a significant difference. Your generosity can ease the journey for many during a challenging time, offering comfort and support when it's needed most.

For more information and to become a volunteer driver, please contact Monica at volunteer@irishcancer.ie

West Cork Warriors Special Olympics Club

is a sports club that caters for 4–12-year-olds with an intellectual disability. Training on Saturdays in Skibbereen Sports Centre 11.00-11.45am. New athletes welcome, contact:

westcorkwarriors@sosportsclub.ie

Anam Cara Support Meeting

Anam Cara, the organisation that supports bereaved parents, will hold its monthly Parent Support Evening on Tuesday 18th November at 7.30pm in the Fernhill House Hotel, Clonakilty.

This event is free and open to all bereaved parents regardless of the

age your child died, the circumstances of their death, or how recent their death was. You do not need to register in advance. To find out more call 01 4045378 or email info@anamcara.ie

International Men's day – Gut health talk for men

by Dr Sinéad O'Donovan will take place in Courtmacsherry community hall on Wednesday 19th November from 8.30pm-9.30pm. This is a free event. Donations to a charity. Contact information 085 2216616.

Hands Dirty

Weekend for catholic fathers and sons, February Bank Holiday weekend, in County Cork.

- Learn basic electrics for around the home
- Get your hands dirty under the hood of a car
- Develop your carpentry skills

The weekend will also include Mass, Exposition, and spiritual talks. Please email the Dominican Order at op.evangelisation@gmail.com or see www.dominicans.ie

PARISHES' NEWS & EVENTS

The Irish Catholic paper

As Meade's Newsagency, Pearse St, in the town closed on Sunday 2nd November parishioners are advised that The Irish Catholic Newspaper is for sale in Centra Supermarket, Western Road.

Public Prayer for the faithful departed in Clon cemeteries

Sunday 16th, 3.00pm, St Mary's
4.00pm Kilgariff

Sunday 23rd, 3.00pm Darrara
4.00pm, Ballintemple

Public Prayer for the faithful departed in Ardfield Parish

Cemetery Sunday November 16th:
Ardfield new cemetery after
10.00am Mass followed after by
Ardfield Old cemetery.
Rathbarry cemetery 2.30pm
followed by Castlefreke old
cemetery

Timoleague Parish Remember Me Ceremony

Will be held on 16th November at
7.00pm in Clogagh.

First Saturday Conference in Knock

To mark the 100th anniversary of the First Saturday Apparition in Pontevedra, Spain, there will be a special conference in Knock on the first Saturday in December - 6th December. The day begins with exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and confession at 10.00am in the Reconciliation Chapel. There will be three talks from Bishop John Keenan, Antonia Moffat, and Fr Philip Kemmy in St John's Centre. There will also be the Rosary led by the Children's Rosary group, a 15-minute meditation led by Fr Marius O'Reilly, as Our Lady requested for the First Saturdays, and time for lunch. For more details please visit firstsaturdays.ie

Christmas Mass Bouquet Cards

A selection of Christmas Mass Bouquet cards are now available to purchase at the Parish Office in Clonakilty— Handmade cards by the Nuns at St Mary's Abbey in Glencairn, along with some Mass Bouquet cards from Divine Word Missionary.

Clonakilty Church

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament every Friday after 10am mass.

Recently deceased

Tim Hodnett, Clonakilty and Cork city.

Offertory 8th & 9th November

Ardfield	€325
Barryroe	€860
Clonakilty	€4,005
Kilmeen	€375.20
Rosscarbery	€1,745
Timoleague	€1,120

Youth Ministry Second Collection

Ardfield	€215
Barryroe	€550
Clonakilty	€2,205
Kilmeen	€310
Rosscarbery	€745
Timoleague	€675

Lislevane Cemetery Collection

came to €1,230

Department of Education and Youth Survey about School Choice

The current Department of Education and Youth survey on the future of patronage in the primary sector is important in that it will shape the discussion on primary school divesting for the years to come throughout the Republic of Ireland. While it is important that those who wish for a change in patronage would have their voice heard, it is equally important that those who wish for a Catholic Education for their children and for those who would wish for sacramental preparation within the school would have their voice heard also. For those reasons and to ensure that an accurate picture emerges, please participate in this survey if you are a parent or prospective parent of a primary school student.

The survey can be accessed at www.gov.ie/primary-school-survey. The IEC message regarding this survey is available on the Cork and Ross Social media platforms.

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Sunday Mass schedule for Winter-Spring 2025

Parish Churches every Sunday

Ardfield at 10.00am

Barryroe at 10.00am

Clonakilty at 7.00pm Saturday,
Sunday at 8.30am and 11.00am

Rosscarbery at 6.00pm Saturday,
Sunday at 11.30am

Rossmore at 11.00am

Timoleague at 11.30am

Chapels-of-ease monthly Masses

Vigil of 1st Sunday, 1st November

7.00pm in **Bealad**

Vigil of 2nd Sunday, 8th November

7.00pm in **Clogagh**

Vigil of 3rd Sunday, 15th November

7.00pm in **Rathbarry**

1st Sunday, 2nd November 9.30am in

Darrara; 2nd Sunday, 9th November

9.30am in **Lisavaird**; 3rd Sunday, 16th

November 9.30am in

Courtmacsherry.

1st Friday, 7th November 7.30pm in

Carrigadda.

Samaritans: 116 123; jo@samaritans.ie (several days may pass before you receive an email in reply). **Society of St Vincent de Paul**, Clonakilty: 086 029 5142.