



BANTRY FAMILY OF PARISHES NEWSLETTER

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EASTER DAY OF THE LORD'S RESURRECTION

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Easter Offering envelopes are now available in the Church porches. We thank you for your ongoing support. If paying by cheque we ask you to please make the cheque payable to one of the Priests.

Community Notices

Creative Art Morning for Family Carers: Are you a Family Carer? Are you caring for a loved one or family friend? Come along for a morning of fun and relaxation at our Creative Carers Art Morning. No previous art experience is necessary, all levels welcome. All materials are supplied. Just bring yourself and an apron! Where: Ballydehob Community Hall. Date: Wednesday 23rd April. Time: 11am - 1pm. The session is free but booking is essential. To book your place or for further information, please contact Lorna Harte on 087 400 1763. This workshop is facilitated by Arts for Health artist Sharon Dipity. It is hosted by the Creative Carers Programme as part of Arts for Health at Uillinn West Cork Arts. Centre and the Family Carer and Older Persons Initiative

Durrus Cake Sale: The members of the Muintir Bhaire Ladies Football Club will hold their annual cake sale and raffle on Easter Sunday morning in Durrus. This is the main fundraising event of the year for the club so all support will be much appreciated. Philip's Green is now the established venue for the event, so weather conditions will not be a problem.

Safety in the community with Brigid Hartnett, Community Garda: You are all very welcome to join us on Wednesday 23rd at 11am in the Old School House in Gortalassa for lots of information on how we can all live well and safe in our communities. Brigid will cover all aspects of safety in the home from alarms to house security, scams and other tips and information. There will be tea and coffee afterwards and chance to meet neighbours and friends for a chat. If you need further information, please do not hesitate to contact Lorna Harte from the Family Carer and Older Person Development Initiative on 087 400 1763

The free event entitled 'Managing and keeping your money safe' is on Tuesday 29 April 2025 (10am - 12pm) West Cork Hotel, Skibbereen. There will be more than 15 exhibitors on the day who will be available to support and advise attendees on matters such as Keeping your money safe from fraud. Budgeting. Preparing for financial emergencies. Supports that are available locally. How do you register to attend? Text or call Maeve on 086 771 3066. Register on the day at event.

Goleen Gymnastics: Our tumble tots class is a small group size class lasting 1 hour. This class is suitable for little girls and boys aged 1 year to 4 years. Not only do our Tumble Tots classes help develop your child's balance and strength, but they also increase their flexibility and improve their coordination, which are vital skills for supporting your child's growth, well being and independence. For more info, please call/text 086 733 7561

Recent Parish Baptisms: We welcome into our Christian Community

Ryan Joe Needham – Coolbawn, Caheragh
Amy Teresa Sheila O'Sullivan – Clais Deargan, Slip, Bantry

Offertory 12th / 13th April: Bantry: €2445 Caheragh: €1040
Schull: €1000 Muintir Bhaire: €740 Goleen €405

The offertory collection at the Easter Vigil on Holy Saturday & at Masses on Easter Sunday is for the Priests of the Family of Parishes.

Easter Greetings:

We, the Priests of our Family of Parishes, would like to wish all the People of Bantry, Caheragh, Goleen, Muintir Bhaire & Schull Parishes, both at home and away, a very holy, happy and peaceful Easter 2025.

We thank all who attended the Easter Ceremonies in all the Churches of our Family of Parishes.

A special thanks to the Sacristans, Altar Servers, Altar Societies, Readers, Eucharistic Ministers, collectors, counters, Cantors & Choirs, Gardeners & those who organised the Lenten Petitions and Stations of the Cross.

We thank those who volunteered in any way, those who erected the Altars of Repose, provided the beautiful, enriching music and all who helped in any way during the Easter Ceremonies.

Fr. Myles, Fr. Chris, Fr. Anthony, Fr. Ben & Fr. John

Died Recently: We extend prayers & sympathy to the families, relatives & friends of:

Michael O'Brien – Dromleigh, Bantry

Nicky (Nicole) O'Donovan
– Ballybane East, Ballydehob

Eileen McSweeney (née Kearney) – Harrow, London & formerly of Dronsullivan South, Bantry

REST IN PEACE

Divine Mercy Sunday: The annual Divine Mercy Novena in St Patrick's Cathedral, Skibbereen on Sun. 27 April 2025. Confessions 2.30pm & Novena prayers at 3pm. All welcome.

A PRAYER FOR EASTER EYES

My Lord Jesus, you have risen to new life!
Give me new eyes with which to recognise your presence in the world around me.
Sharpen my vision so that I can see beyond the ordinary events of each day and into the extraordinary reality of your grace.
Brighten my view of the world with renewed hope in the coming of your Kingdom. Soften my gaze so that I view others with the kind of tenderness and compassion you showed to so many.
May each day of this Easter season provide glimpses of your glory.
In your sacred name, I pray. Amen.

Calendar: Mass Times and Intentions :-

Saturday 19th April: Holy Saturday: No Morning Mass

Kilcrohane: Easter Vigil at 7.00pm

Caheragh: Easter Vigil at 8pm

Lowertown: Easter Vigil at 8pm

Bantry: Easter Vigil at 9pm

Sun. 20th April: Easter Day of the Lord's Resurrection:

Bantry: 9am: Priests Intentions

Ballydehob: 9am:

Johnny O'Donovan – Ballybawn, Ballydehob – Months Mind
Philomena (Phil) Duggan – East End, Ballydehob & Dublin
- 1st anniv.

Durrus: 10am: Gerry Maguire - Gearhies - 5th Anniv

Kealkil: 10.30am: Denis & Peg O'Leary – Whiddy Island

John, Betty & Sean McCarthy – Capabui North

Gene & Mary Murnane – Chapel Street & Maughnaclea

Eileen Hurley - Ardra

Schull: 10.30am: Intentions of the People of the Family of Parishes

Caheragh: 11.15am: Tony Dempsey – Bauravilla – 1st anniv

Gerard & Bridget O'Sullivan – Milleenahorna

Professor Gerard O'Sullivan – Cork & Milleenahorna

Donal O'Sullivan – Baltimore & Cork

Kilcrohane: 11.30am: Priests Intentions

Goleen: 12noon: Priests Intentions

Bantry: 12noon: Priests Intentions

Monday 21st April: Easter Monday:

Bantry : 10am: Henry Deane - Kielnascarta

Schull: 12noon: No booking

Tuesday 22nd April: Easter Tuesday:

Bantry: 10am: Pierre Rossouw – South Africa – Birthday Remembrance

Goleen: 10am: Donor's Intentions

Wednesday 23rd April: Easter Wednesday:

Ballydehob: 10am: Meda Shanahan – Dunbeacon

Kathy O'Regan – Raheenroe, Ballydehob – 2nd anniv.

Bantry: 10am: Kathy O'Regan (née McCarthy) – Raheenroe, Ballydehob & California – 2nd anniv.

Thursday 24th April: Easter Thursday:

Bantry: 10am: Jim Cadogan – Reenrour East

Goleen: 10am: Holy Souls in Purgatory

Friday 25th April: Easter Friday:

Bantry: 10am: William Coakley – Blackrock Road

Schull: 10am: Maureen & Pat Cyne - Kinsale

Saturday 26th April: Easter Saturday:

Bantry HOSPITAL: 10am: Special Intention