



Prayer Services this week

6th – 12th June 2022

PASSAGE WEST

Mon: Morning Prayer 10.00 a.m.
Tuesday: Mass 10.00 a.m.
Wed: Liturgy of the Word 10.00 a.m.
Thursday: Mass 10.00 a.m.
Friday: Mass 10.00 a.m.
Sunday: 11.30 a.m.

MONKSTOWN

Wednesday: 9.00 a.m.
Friday: 9.00 a.m.
Sunday: 10.00 a.m.

SHANBALLY

Wednesday: 7.00 p.m.
Saturday: 6.00 p.m.

RINGASKIDDY

Thursday: 9.00 a.m.
Sunday: 8.45 a.m.



PARISH OFFICE

Come in we're open!

TUESDAYS

10.00 a.m. – 12.00 noon

THURSDAYS

5.00 p.m. – 7.00 p.m.

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Cathy Concannon

Fr Chris settles in

Last weekend Fr Sean said all the masses in the Harbour. It was a chance for him to say goodbye to all the people he has worked side by side with for nearly ten years. This gave me a rare opportunity to say Sunday mass at home with my family and celebrate the anniversary of my ordination. It will probably be some time before I will find myself free to do this again. Fr Sean, like Fr Galvin, Sr Rosarii, Fr Con and Sr Patricia, have worked faithfully in co-operation with the people giving of their time and significant talents to build up the Kingdom of God in the Harbour. My sincere hope is that I will be able to do the same.

Since my arrival in the Harbour I have been overwhelmed with the welcome I have received from people. I wish to acknowledge and thank the many parishioners involved in the various parish ministries, such as Music, Liturgy of the Word, Eucharistic Ministers, Collectors, Flowers, Parish Assembly, Sacristans, Child Safeguarding and all other areas of Church governance and maintenance. Your involvement makes the Harbour a rich and vibrant parish. A significant challenge for me since my arrival is the number of masses that the Harbour offers on a weekly basis. I would like to address this now at the beginning of my ministry. For the moment I propose to leave the weekend masses unchanged. However, I do intend to reduce the number of weekday masses. I know that you have been through much change over the past year but I believe this alteration will make the weekday services more viable for one priest to manage and will help to facilitate the arrangement of substitute cover when it is required.

It is my wish to work in a spirit of co-operation and collaboration with the people of the Harbour. With this in mind, I will meet the Parish Assembly next Tuesday 7th June 2022 to discuss how best we as four praying communities and just one priest can share the responsibility for weekday services in the Harbour.

Fr Chris

Pentecost: A time to catch fire

Unless the eye catch fire, the God will not be seen.

Unless the ear catch fire, the God will not be heard.

Unless the tongue catch fire, the God will not be named.

Unless the heart catch fire, the God will not be loved.

Unless the mind catch fire, the God will not be known.

'Pentecost' by William Blake

The arrival of the Holy Spirit at Pentecost was by no means a quiet or gentle event. First there was a powerful wind from heaven – so loud it filled not just the room the apostles were in, but the whole house. Tongues of fire came to rest on their heads, and they suddenly began to speak in foreign languages as they were 'filled with the Holy Spirit'. It must have been a chaotic, intense scene. The poem 'Pentecost' by 19th century poet William Blake captures some of the power of the scene, with its repetition of the phrase 'catch fire'. When a piece of news or gossip gets around quickly, we say it 'spreads like wildfire'. By its very nature, fire jumps from one thing to another, burning more intensely the more it spreads. The symbol of tongues of fire is apt, then. The arrival of the Holy Spirit propels the apostles from the room where they were huddled out into the street. They simply cannot contain themselves as they begin to preach and to spread the Good News far and wide – like wildfire.

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Month's Mind Remembrance

Helen Prout, Ringaskiddy

Anniversary Remembrance

Michael Coughlan

Denis Ryan

Teresa Deane

Pat & Pauline Buckley

Ellen Livingstone

Patricia O'Regan

Philomena McCarthy

Harry Wallace

Mary & Anne Stuart

Jack Lupton

Cyril Healy

Patrick & Mary Lydon

Michael O'Driscoll

Nuala O'Neill

Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord

Recently Deceased

ELIZABETH CORCORAN, Maulbaun, Passage West died peacefully at Cork University Hospital on Wednesday 25th May 2022. We offer our sincere sympathy to her daughter Angelina and her extended family and friends. May she rest in peace.

In Sympathy

We offer our sincere sympathy to Margo O'Donovan, Passage West on the death of her sister Grace Considine, Birr, Co Offaly who died on Tuesday 24th May 2022. May she rest in peace.

We offer our sincere sympathy to Ann Butler on the death of her husband Finbarr Butler, Schull and formerly of Rochestown who died on Thursday 26th May 2022. May he rest in peace.

Lead them Lord in the path of life eternal

Fr Con Memorial Cards

St Patrick's Missionary Society [Kiltegan Fathers] have very kindly forwarded Fr Con's Memorial Cards to our parish to be shared with parishioners. These are available in all our Churches.

Parish Assembly Meeting

Our Parish Assembly will meet this Tuesday 7th June 2022 at 7.30 p.m. in the Gill Room, Monkstown to discuss plans for the future in the Harbour Parishes.

Good luck to everyone undertaking exams

On behalf of everyone in our community we wish the best of luck to everyone undertaking their Junior Cert and Leaving Cert exams over the coming weeks. Exams can be and often are an anxious time. Remember that exams do not define you, nor do they determine your future. If there is something you truly wish to pursue in life and are willing to work hard for it, then there will always be more than one road, one course or one opportunity to help you achieve your goal. Believe in yourself, trust in the power of your best efforts and look to the future with a sense of hope. You will all be in our thoughts and prayers over the coming month. We wish you the best in your exams, but even more importantly, we wish you happiness and fulfilment in whatever will be the next step of your journey in life.

Life is the most difficult exam.

Many people fail by trying to copy others -

not realising that everyone has a different question paper. [Anon]

Pilgrimage to Knock

The Passage West branch of the St. Joseph's Young Priests Society have organised a Pilgrimage to Knock on Saturday 25th June, 2022. Cost of bus €50. Meals extra. All are welcome. For more information contact Denis on 087 2290911.

Share your story of Loss

The Lost Lace project invites the families of all those who died from Covid 19 in Ireland and Northern Ireland to share their story of loss with the Lost Lace project which is a visual art and poetry commemoration to the lives of those lost to Covid 19. You can share a few words about your loved ones on www.lostlace.com until 31st August 2022. The words of loss that are shared on the website will provide inspiration for the poet Jessica Traynor to compose some poems which will be recited in October 2022.

Gramophone Circle

The Passage West Gramophone Circle will hold their June get-together in Passage West Library on Friday 17th June 2022 at 11.00 a.m. Come and enjoy a wide selection of musical favourites. Refreshments served. All are welcome.

Carer Needed in Harbour

Parish area

A kind, trustworthy part-time carer / home help for an elderly woman living at home needed. References requested. Phone 087 6354747 or you can email: poddo@eircom.net.

Shamrock's GAA News

Academy continues every Friday night on the pitch in Shanbally at 6.00 p.m. Annual Club Ciarán takes place from Monday 4th to Friday 8th July 2022. Enrolment at the Club on Tuesday 7th and Friday 10th June 2022 from 6.00 p.m. to 7.00 p.m. The Lotto Jackpot this week is €2,400 and the draw will take place in the Ensign Bar, Monkstown on Monday 6th June 2022. For all other news and fixtures visit www.shamrocksgaa.com or social media sites.

A reflection for exam time.....

You are more.

You are more than a number.

You are more than a grade on a paper or a score on a text.

You are a special person.

A person with unique skills, gifts and talents.

A person with feelings – you get excited, happy, angry, sad.

You get frustrated when you don't get it and sometimes you worry too.

You are a person with hopes and dreams and plans.

You are more than your results in an exam. Please remember that!

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