



ASCENSION DAY

Prayer Services this week 30th May – 5th 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: 10.00 a.m.
Friday: 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: 7.00 p.m.
Sunday: 8.45 a.m.



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Come in we're open!

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TUESDAYS

10.00 a.m. – 12.00 noon

THURSDAYS

5.00 p.m. – 7.00 p.m.

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When 'Thank you' hardly seems enough

This weekend marks the final chapter in my journey here in the Harbour Parishes. The past ten years, since I was appointed here in August 2012, have been incredibly happy, fulfilling and rewarding years for me and this weekend I would like to take the opportunity to say a heartfelt thank you to you, the community of the Harbour Parishes. Thank you for the warmth of your welcome, your generosity, your support, your trust and your friendship. Thank you for allowing me to be part of so many special moments, both joyful and sorrowful, in your lives and for giving me the great privilege of being part of your faith in the Lord Jesus. Thank you for your openness to new ideas, new initiatives and your willingness to try new ways of doing things. One of the greatest gifts we can experience in life is to be accepted for who we are and both Con and I experienced that gift here in abundance. You accepted us for who we were and gave us the freedom to be ourselves and you will never know what a difference that has made in both our lives these past ten years. Thank you for your understanding and patience when I got things wrong and didn't live up to the Christian call to kindness and compassion that I preached. In the 'Prayer of St Francis' there is a wonderful line that says: 'It is in giving that we receive.' That certainly has been my experience among you. Whatever I may have given to you, I have received much more in return. Whilst there is always a sadness in parting and leaving a place and a people where you feel at home, my over-riding emotion this weekend is one of gratitude for the blessings I have enjoyed from you and among you. Con had a lovely phrase where he used to say that: 'Gratitude is the memory of the heart.' I leave the Harbour Parishes with a heart full of happy memories, memories I will carry with me always. I hope I leave here a better man, a better Christian, a better priest because of all you have taught me about life, about faith, about compassion and above all about being a community in the truest sense of that word. I wish you all and Fr Chris every blessing for the years to come. Change can often bring fresh ideas, new energy and a renewed vision and I know you will support Fr Chris as you journey forward as a community of faith. Please keep me in your prayers as I will all of you, I pray that the Spirit of God will always inspire us and guide us in living our faith in Christ Jesus.

Fr Seán

Fr Con Memorial Benches Committee

The committee who oversaw the fundraising for the installation of benches in the different areas of our community in memory of Fr Con have very generously agreed to donate €10,000 from the surplus raised to the renovation project in St Elizabeth's in Passage West which is being carried out in memory of Fr Con. The committee have been overwhelmed with the generosity of people's response to the appeal, so much so that they exceeded the amount required for the memorial benches, and have very kindly decided to contribute the surplus towards the upgrading of St Elizabeth's in memory of Con. We also wish to acknowledge the extraordinary generosity of local architects, tradesmen and suppliers who have supported the project by giving freely of their time and expertise and/or supplying materials for the project. It is hoped that the project will be complete by the end of June and that St Elizabeth's can once more become home to parish and community activities.

Fr Seán

Anniversary Remembrance

Tony O'Connor
Mary Ryan
Rita Hayes
Michael Moloney
John & Margaret Hayes
Tim Coakley
Eileen Hayes
Harry Wallace
Anthony Nicholl
Annie, Tim, Violet & Sheila Harrington
Deceased members of Harrington Family
Patrick & Nora Lydon
Tommy & Dorothy Hartnett
Peter Fox
John Horgan
May McCarthy
Mary & Robert O'Brien

Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord

Recently Deceased

STANLEY SULLIVAN, late of Rock Cottage, Passage West died peacefully on Wednesday 18th May 2022. We offer our sincere sympathy to his wife Hannah, sons Conor, Ned, Alan, daughter Sarah and his extended family and friends. May he rest in peace.

Lead them Lord in the path of life eternal.

In Sympathy

We offer our sincere sympathy to Donny Walsh, Ringaskiddy on the death of his sister Rachel Leo, Donnybrook, Douglas who died unexpectedly at Limerick University Hospital on Sunday 15th May 2022. May she rest in peace.

We offer our sincere sympathy to Bridie Herlihy, Rockenham, Passage West on the death of her son John, Garryvoe who died at Marymount Hospital and Hospice on Tuesday 24th May 2022. May he rest in peace.

Welcomed in Baptism

MAX WILLIAM GOONEY was baptised in St Mary's Church, Passage West on Saturday 21st May 2022. Max is the son of Gary and Melissa.

JOSHUA GERARD KIERANS was baptised in the Immaculate Heart of Mary Church, Shanbally on Saturday 21st May 2022. Joshua is the son of Derek and Samantha.

We warmly welcome them into our Christian Community.

Night for Fr Seán in the Golf Club, Monkstown

A great night was had by all who attended the Farwell event for Fr Seán on Wednesday 25th May 2022 in Monkstown Golf Club. The event was organised by the Parish Assembly for the community of the Harbour Parishes. Unfortunately, numbers were limited and many people were disappointed that they could not attend. Mary Murphy, Chairperson of the Parish Assembly welcomed everyone and said some lovely words of appreciation to Fr Seán and on behalf of the whole community she thanked him and wished him well in his new ministry. There was a great sense of gratitude from everyone for all that he has done for us. He was presented on behalf of the whole community with a beautiful painting of Monkstown by Tadhg Scannell which was framed by Ivan Wolfe, along with a wallet of notes. Fr Seán himself spoke some lovely words about his time here with us in the Harbour over the last 10 years. Fr Seán's two sisters, Eileen and Noreen and his brother Patrick attended the evening. We thank Monkstown Golf Club for providing some lovely food and the staff made sure that everyone had an enjoyable night. It was an emotional evening for everybody. [Copies of the Chairperson's words are available in all our churches].

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 from this weekend.

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 O'Byrne on 087 2290911.

Shamrock's GAA News

Academy continues every Friday night on the pitch in Shanbally at 6.00 p.m. Club Ciarán takes place from Monday 4th to Friday 8th July 2022. Registration next week. Details to follow. The Lotto Jackpot this week is €2,200 and the draw will take place in Murph's Bar, Monkstown on Monday 30th May.

St Vincent de Paul Collection

The Church Gate Collections in May for the Society of St. Vincent de Paul amounted to €1,496.83. The Society thanks you all for your generosity and looks forward to your continuing support at the collections next weekend Saturday 4th and Sunday 5th June 2022.

Thanks from St Vincent de Paul

The local conference of the Society of St Vincent de Paul wishes to thank everyone who donated to their recent clothes collection in Monkstown. There was a wonderful response. Rest assured that your generosity will make a huge difference to the work of the Society through the network of charity shops. We thank you most sincerely for your ongoing support.

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.

Community gathers in Monkstown Church

Last Sunday marked the 150th Anniversary of Monkstown Church. The community gathered to celebrate a prayerful Mass of Thanksgiving and a reception afterwards in the Church grounds. The Mass was concelebrated with the Homily given by Fr Ben Hegarty who lived in Glenbrook in his early years. We welcomed Fr John Newman, Fr Pat O'Donovan, Fr Sylvester O'Flynn and Rev Canon Elaine Murray. It was lovely to see parishioners from Passage West, Shanbally and Ringaskiddy join with the people of Monkstown for this special day. Copies of Colman O'Mahony's history of the Church are available in all our churches. Thanks to everyone who played any part in making this day such a wonderful success.

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