

**Weekend Collection for parish funds:**

February 17th/18<sup>th</sup> totalled €4605. Thank you for your generosity.

**Recent Baptism:**

We welcome into our Christian Community:

Ralph Rick O'Donovan, Clonakilty.

**CONNECT 4**

The Recent CONNECT 4 event in Cork saw over 200 young people attend. It was addressed by Msgr. James Shea, president of the University of Mary, North Dakota, USA.

"Young people who are searching believe they are alone and nobody is listening, so we feel we might as well suffer in silence," Msgr Shea said. "But that's not what God wants."

See full report and photos on [www.corkandross.org](http://www.corkandross.org)

**Mass Diary for parish at Parish Office**

The Mass Diary for the parish is kept at the Parish Office. In this way, it is available over longer hours and people can call in-person or by phone. A name can also be added to the list by clicking on the "Donate" button on the parish website. The offering for a Mass can also be given at the Parish Office.

**First Reconciliation**

Children preparing for their First Holy Communion will celebrate the sacrament of God's forgiveness for the first time. On Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> March at 7pm, the pupils from the Gaelscoil will be at the parish church. Let us pray for God's blessing for them.

**Finding hope in a hopeless world – Lent 2024:** This is a seven-week programme for Parish groups or individuals available on the Diocesan website (<https://corkandross.org/lent2024>). A different aspect of hope will be explored each week. The resource is available as a presentation, video, and podcast (all of which can be used online or downloaded for off-line use).

**World Day of Prayer**

Will be celebrated this year in the Methodist Church, Clonakilty, on Friday March 1<sup>st</sup> at 8pm. All are welcome.

**Church of the Immaculate Conception, Clonakilty  
&  
Sacred Heart Church, Darrara**

Priest on Duty: 087-6828076    Parish Office: 8835654    Urgent Calls: 086-8760608

**25th February 2024 – Second Sunday of Lent - Year B**

**Easter Mass Bouquets**

There is a new range of Easter Mass Bouquet cards available at the Parishes Office. The cards are printed by the Divine Word Missionaries and Cistercian Sisters at Glencairn. A Mass will be offered for the intention associated with each individual card. These intentions and the stipends are sent by the parish to priests in mission lands.

**NOTE: The Parishes Office is open this week Mon-Fri 10am to 1.00pm. Tel (023) 8835654.**

**Baptism and Confirmation Certificates**

These are issued by the Parish Office. Note that Baptism Certificates for minors can only be issued to a parent or guardian. Certificates for adults can only be issued to the person concerned or to another adult who has written permission. Certificates cost €8 in-person or €10 if posted to Ireland.

**Clonakilty Parish Choir**

The Parish Choir which sings at 11.30 Mass on Sundays is looking for new members and now would be an excellent time to consider joining as they prepare for Easter. Please come up to the gallery after 11.30 Mass to find out more.

**Diocese and Bishop Fintan are online at:** [www.corkandross.org](http://www.corkandross.org) and <https://www.facebook.com/CorkandRossDiocese>

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