

Recently Deceased:

Pat Joe Finn, Trianeens, Clonakilty & formerly of Courtmacsherry.

Recent Baptism:

We welcome into our Christian Community Noah James Holland, Clonakilty, who was baptised recently.

Weekend Collection for parish funds:

April 13th & 14th. totalled €4,265. Thank you for your generosity.

Second collection this weekend:

The second collection as Masses this weekend is for Diocesan Needs. This collection helps fund the activities and services of the local church which are provided at diocesan level.

Spot the style!

At Clonakilty GAA Club- Fashion Show on Friday April 26th at 8pm (drinks reception 7pm). Tickets €20 from O'Donovans Hotel and all fashion outlets.

Mass Diary for parish at Parishes Office

The Mass Diary is kept at the Parishes Office. 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. Mass Bouquet cards are also 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 of each individual card.

How would you know if God were calling you to be a priest?

During the Easter season, our diocese is organising a Sunday afternoon gathering to answer that question. Men between 18 and 40 years are invited to this "Come and See" meeting on Sunday April 28th from 2pm – 5pm at Mardyke House, Cork. Further information from Fr. Cian O'Sullivan at vocations@corkandross.org

Darrara National School Parents' Association - has organised a cancer information evening on Thursday April 25th in Darrara Community Centre – commencing at 7pm. This is a free event with speakers from Arc House and Breast Cancer Ireland. All welcome.

Clonakilty Friendship Club- invite new members to join them in the Parish Centre on Monday mornings @ 10.30 and enjoy a cuppa, chat and activities - everyone over 55 is most welcome.

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

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

21st. April -Fourth Sunday of Easter - Year B.

Trocaire boxes

Remember the box you got at the beginning of Lent? It's time to bring it back to the churches! Many people have already returned theirs and some people have also handed in envelopes for the Trócaire appeal for Malawi. Thank you.

Annual report reflects people's generosity

The annual financial report of the parish for the year to Dec 31st, 2023 has been finalised, independently reviewed and approved by the parish finance committee. It has now been submitted to the diocesan office.

The principal headlines from the report show that all parish income for the year was €319,517 – up from €301,576 in 2022. The biggest part of this is €187,676 given by people in the offertory collection, standing orders, the Donate button and the 'tap-and-go'.

On the other side, the parish spent €377,364 compared with €220,540 in 2022. The biggest single cost was essential repairs to the parish church (€128,911) and conversion of the Parishes Office and presbytery maintenance so €187,996 was spent on building work. Insurance is the next highest bill at €27,216, followed by light and heat at €19,306. Over the year, we used €37,906 from parish savings. Thank you for your generosity.

Parish Assembly Meeting

A meeting of the Clonakilty Parish Assembly takes place in the Parish Centre on Monday April 29th at 7.30pm. All members are kindly requested to attend.

Calling painters

Painting and decorating contractors are invited to express an interest in being considered for the painting of the inside of the parish church. Email contact details to office@onefaith.ie