

## Recent Baptisms-

We welcome into the Christian Community: Finn Seán Murray, Ballinascarthy, Michael Cúan Thornhill, Lady's Cross and Sienna Isabella Owens, An Sruthán Beag, Clonakilty.

## Weekend Collection for parish funds:

Sept. 7<sup>th</sup>/8<sup>th</sup>. €4740 - Thank you for your generosity.

## Recently Deceased:

Thomas (Podge) Tanner, Casement St., May he Rest in Peace

**Alpha Session – Sept. 18<sup>th</sup>.** Alpha is a 10-week experience exploring the meaning of life and how God fits into our lives. Alpha is free - so come along and give it a try?

Starting Date: Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup>. September 2024

7:30pm to 9:30pm. Info: 087 483 4039 or [alphaclonakilty@gmail.com](mailto:alphaclonakilty@gmail.com)

## Fire Alarm upgrade - completed

The fire alarm system in the parish church has been replaced and CCTV also installed at a final costing of €20,741.

**Franciscan Missionaries of Mary** will visit the churches of Ardfield, Rossmore, Clonakilty, Clogagh and Rosscarbery this weekend. They will speak about their missions and will be asking for financial help. A collection will be taken up at the church doors after each Mass (7pm and 8.30 Mass).

**Clonakilty Friendship Club** recommences its meetings next Monday 16<sup>th</sup>. Sept. at 10.30am in the Parish Centre -anybody over 55 is welcome.

**Darrara Church** will remain open on Tuesday evenings 7-8pm for an hour of Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament – starting Tuesday Sept. 17<sup>th</sup>. Adoration continues in the **Parish Church** every Friday from after 10 am Mass to 3pm. All are welcome and encouraged to spend time with Jesus before the Blessed Sacrament. **Darrara Choir** are returning to Choir Practice next week – new members are welcome.

## Mass Times

As and from next weekend, Sept 21/22, we resume the schedule of Masses which we had before the summer in the family of parishes. A mass will be celebrated in Darrara each Sunday at 10am.

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

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

## Sept 15th. 2024– 24<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Year B

**Relics of St. Bernadette** The Relics will arrive at Clonakilty Church at 3pm on Thursday 31<sup>st</sup>. There will be time for veneration of the relics between 3.30pm and 7pm Mass (which will include the Sacrament of the Sick).

On Friday morning there will be silent veneration from 7am until Mass at 10am (after which the relics leave). (More details will follow.)

**Clonakilty Bereavement Support Group** are offering support over a 5-week period – starting Tuesday September 17<sup>th</sup> at 8pm in the Parish Centre To book a place to attend the session please contact the Parish Office 023-8835654 – Mon-Fri 9.30am – 1pm.

## Poor Clares' Vocations Afternoon - Sat. Sept. 21<sup>st</sup>.

Are you considering the Poor Clares vocation, or would you like to know more about the vocation and contemplative life of a religious sister? Please join the sisters from 2pm to 4pm at the Poor Clare Monastery, College Rd. Cork- Saturday September 21<sup>st</sup>.

## Collection for fund which supports seminarians and deacons

The annual collection for the Priesthood Education Fund in the Diocese will be taken up on the weekend of 21<sup>st</sup> / 22<sup>nd</sup> September.

One seminarian continues his studies for the priesthood in St. Patrick's College, Maynooth, and another man is continuing his studies for the Permanent Diaconate. The Priesthood Education Fund finances their studies as well as costs for ongoing training and education for priests. Thank you for last year's collection which came to €64,903. In the same year, the Fund spent €82,500. Appreciating that these are difficult times financially, you are asked to be as generous as you can to the Priesthood Education Fund annual collection.