

Pre-Christmas Celebration of Reconciliation

A community celebration of the Sacrament of Reconciliation (will be held in Clonakilty Church on Monday Dec 16th at 7pm. All welcome. It consists in a Liturgy of the Word, Examination of Conscience, Individual Confession and Absolution and a community prayer of thanksgiving.

Christmas time Masses

In Clonakilty on Christmas Eve, Mass is at 6.30pm and 9pm. On Christmas Day, Mass is at 8.30am (parish church), 9.30am in Darrara and 11am in the parish church.

All the Mass times for the family of parishes for Christmas are on www.onefaith.ie

Weekend collection:

Dec 7th & Dec 8th: € 3,520. Thank you for your generosity.

Recent Baptisms:

Danny Patrick Desmond, Clogheen, &
Ben McCarthy, Beechgrove Est.,

Darrara Church: Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament continues on Tuesday evenings 7- 8pm.

Clonakilty Parish Christmas Cards A few remaining are now on sale in the Parish Office along with photos of the Relics of St. Bernadette (mounted and ready for framing).

Christmas Mass Bouquet Cards are now available at the Parish Office – along with a variety of other cards also for sale.

Clonakilty Parish Church cleaning takes place on Saturday 21st December, immediately after 10am Mass. If you would like to help, come along to the sacristy at 10.30am. All help most welcome and appreciated.

Christmas Offering

Envelopes are available at the doors of the churches for the Christmas Offering. This collection forms part of the priests' income. Your kindness is much appreciated.

Website of the diocese

You can keep up to date with news from Bishop Fintan and from across our diocese by visiting www.corkandross.org

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

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Dec. 15th. 2024 – Third Sunday of Advent – Year C

Restoring pre-pandemic liturgical practices

Parishes across the diocese are gradually restoring some of the ways we worshipped which were changed because of Covid. One of these is that Ministers of the Eucharist again receive the Sacred Blood of the Lord from the chalice – as well as the Body of the Lord in the host.

Enrolments for First Reconciliation and First Holy Communion

On this Sunday we extend a special fáilte to the children from Darrara NS who will be enrolled at Darrara Church on Sunday and the pupils of Knockskeagh NS who will attend the 11.30 Mass at Clonakilty. They are enrolling to celebrate these sacraments for the first time in 2025. Their parents accompany them and help them to build a friendship with Jesus in their lives through prayer. The teachers help them learn more about Jesus. The wider faith community welcomes and supports them in a special way this year.

Our prayer from the Boat

Loving God, at baptism you have gifted us with a call to serve you and all people in all we do.

We ask you, Lord, to bless the people of Cork and Ross during this time of prayer and listening.

May we be attentive to the promptings of your Holy Spirit.

Open our eyes to see where you wish us to go in our faith communities and families of parishes.

Open our ears to hear the voice of Jesus, the Good Shepherd, leading us. Open our hearts to follow you with joy and childlike trust.

Open our minds to new possibilities and ways of being your Church.

Fill us with hope and humility as we build the Kingdom of God together in our diocese at this time.

We ask this through Christ, Our Lord. Amen.