

TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME 20TH SEPTEMBER

It is not easy to understand the mind of God. He sees goodness where we see none; he showers blessings where none seem to be deserved. Yet even with our limited vision we can be sure he is near us whenever we call him.

MASSES

Vigil Saturdays: 6p.m.

Sundays: 9a.m. & 11a.m.

Weekdays: Monday to Saturday 10a.m.

CONFESSIONS

Saturdays 10.30a.m. and 5.30p.m.

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Holy Cross Church Mahon is celebrating 40-years since the establishment of our church. To celebrate this milestone, we are delighted to host a Triduum, led by the Redemptorists on Monday 21st/Tuesday 22nd/ and Wednesday 23rd September beginning at 7.30p.m. each night. All are welcome to attend.

**Garda Forum Meeting**

Our next Garda Forum meeting will be held at the Community Centre on Monday 21st September at 8.00p.m. Come along if you have any concerns in your area that you wish to discuss. Get the latest updates from our Community Gardaí. Local Councillors have been invited to attend. Light refreshments will be served after the meeting.

Thinking about being a Priest in the Diocese of Cork & Ross?

If you are between the ages of 18 and 40 and feel there is a possibility that God may be calling you to be a diocesan priest, then our monthly Discernment Group Meetings may be a good way to help you to discern this call. It is a gentle non-committal first step in the process which takes the form of a monthly meeting with other men discerning their call. The monthly meetings offer an opportunity for prayer, conversation, fellowship and accompaniment. An experienced spiritual director will also be provided to help guide you along the path. The first meeting takes place on Saturday September 26th. To find more, have a chat, or to register your interest, please email Fr Marius at vocations@corkandross.org

**SMA NOVENA TO St. Thérèse**

Due to the ongoing repair to our Church roof on the Blackroad Road, we will be celebrating St. Thérèse's Novena in our SMA Church in Wilton, Cork City T12 KR23. The Novena will begin on Wednesday 23rd September and will close on Thursday 1st October. The Novena Mass will be celebrated each evening at 7.30p.m. (except Saturday 26th September @ 6p.m. Mass). Each evening, we will have a different SMA priest leading the Mass and he will be joined by a guest choir/singer.

St. Joseph's SMA Parish Roof Fundraising Concert

To be held at Our Lady of Lourdes Church on Thursday 15th October at 7p.m.

**Mass Animated by Young Adults**

A Mass animated by young adults takes place on the second Sunday of each month 7p.m. in Ss Peter and Paul's Church.

Hosted by the City Centre *Family of Parishes*, this Mass offers a welcoming space for young adults to gather, pray and grow in faith together.

The Annual collection for the Priesthood Education Fund, will be taken up at all Masses this weekend.



The Irish Cancer Society are looking for volunteer drivers to drive patients to and from cancer treatments. If you can spare 2 days per month, have a valid driving licence, and a safe, reliable vehicle, you are the perfect candidate to make a significant difference. The Irish Cancer Society will provide you with training before you start as a driver for us. Your generosity not only eases the journey for many during a challenging time but also offers comfort and support when it's needed most.

For more information and to become a volunteer driver, please contact Monica or Emily at volunteer@irishcancer.ie