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Sixth Sunday of Easter Time

6th May 2018

Masses During the Week

Monday BANK HOLIDAY: 10.00 am

Tue: No Mass.

Wed, Thurs and Fri 9.00 am

Sat 10.00 am.

Rosary

- Rosary before weekday Masses for the month of May
- The Legion of Mary will recite the rosary with hymns at the grotto every Monday evening during May at 8.30 pm. Please come along and join us.

Exam Mass

Mass for the intentions of those doing second-level and third-level exams, with the participation of the students themselves, will be offered on Friday night next, 11th May, at 8.00 pm.

Children's Mass

Monthly Child catechesis during Mass next Sunday May 12th.

Eucharistic Adoration in Timoleague

There will be 12 hours of adoration to the Blessed Sacrament in Timoleague Church Sunday 13th May 9am - 9pm for guidance in the upcoming referendum. Anybody interested in doing an hour's adoration please contact 086 3610634.

Pro-Life Speakers

The Pro Life Campaign is currently running a programme where they deliver a moderate but life-affirming pro life talk which talks about

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the 8th Amendment and its protection for mothers and their unborn babies. These are scripted talks which will be given by a female spokesperson for the Pro Life Campaign. Bishop Buckley and the Priests' Council approved the text. Speakers will be at Masses in Kilbrittain next Sat and Sunday. The Diocese has approved this initiative.

Station

Station for Kilshinihan and Ballycatten at Kilshinihan Mass Rock on Fri 18th May at 7.00 pm, weather permitting. Otherwise at the home of Myles and Ann-Marie Desmond McSwiney, Ballycatten.

Station Appeal

I would like to hear from anybody intending to take a station for this Spring.

History Lecture

Kilbrittain Historical Society are hosting a lecture "Castles of West Cork, including Kilbrittain" by Tony McCarthy on next Tue night, 8th May, at 8.30 pm in the Parish Hall.

Permanent Deacons

Bishop Buckley invites applications from men interested in serving as Permanent Deacons in the Diocese of Cork & Ross. The first two permanent deacons in our diocese were ordained last October, and are now serving in city parishes. One man is in his final year of training and is due to be ordained as Deacon later this year.

Applicants should have a good knowledge of the Gospel, a well established

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BAPTISMS:

Sat and 11.30 Sun or by arrangement.

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION: Mon 9 to 1; Wed 2 to 8

spiritual life, and a willingness to serve others, even at some personal cost. The minimum age for ordination as a permanent deacon is twenty-five years for a celibate man, and thirty-five years for a married man. The maximum age is sixty years. While married men may be ordained, deacons who are widowed may not remarry.

Deacons continue in their family lives and secular employment. The four-year programme of preparation is part-time, as is the subsequent ministry. Initial contact should be as soon as possible as the application process must be completed in June for a course of preparation beginning in September 2018. It is probable that a course will not commence again in Munster until 2021.

Those interested should contact their local priest or the Diocesan Director of the Permanent Diaconate for Cork and Ross, Canon Bertie O'Mahony, PP, Parochial House, Model Farm Road, phone (021) 4346940 or (087) 2519940, or Fr Billy O'Sullivan PP, Turner's Cross, phone (021) 4313103 or (086) 8235291.

What the Catechism of the Catholic Church has to say about Abortion

Direct abortion, that is to say, abortion willed either as an end or a means, is gravely contrary to the moral law:
Life must be protected with the utmost care from the moment of conception: abortion and infanticide are abominable crimes.

2272 Formal cooperation in an abortion constitutes a grave offense.

The Church attaches the canonical penalty of excommunication to this crime against human life.

"A person who procures a completed abortion incurs excommunication latae sententiae," "by the very commission of the offense," and subject to the conditions provided by Canon Law.

The Church does not thereby intend to restrict the scope of mercy. Rather, she makes clear the gravity of the crime committed, the irreparable harm done to the innocent who is put to death, as well as to the parents and the whole of society.

2273 The inalienable right to life of every innocent human individual is a constitutive element of a civil society and its legislation:

These human rights depend neither on single individuals nor on parents; nor do they represent a concession made by society and the state; they belong to human nature and are inherent in the person by virtue of the creative act from which the person took his origin. Among such fundamental rights one should mention in this regard every human being's right to life and physical integrity from the moment of conception until death."

"The moment a positive law deprives a category of human beings of the protection which civil legislation ought to accord them, the state is denying the equality of all before the law. When the state does not place its power at the service of the rights of each citizen, and in particular of the more vulnerable, the very foundations of a state based on law are undermined....

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