



# Kilbrittain Parish Weekly Bulletin

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Feast of the Ascension

13th May 2018

### Masses During the Week

Monday 9.00 am

Tue: No Mass.

Wed, Thurs and Fri 9.00 am

Sat: FIRST HOLY COMMUNION MASS  
11.00 AM

### Cemetery Mass

Annual Cemetery Mass in Clashavanna

Cemetery on this Wed, May 18<sup>th</sup>, at 8.00 pm.

### 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.

### Children's Mass

Monthly Child catechesis during Mass this Sunday May 13<sup>th</sup>.

### Station

Station for Kilshinihan and Ballycatten at Kilshinihan Mass Rock on Fri next, 18<sup>th</sup> 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.

### Eucharistic Adoration in Timoleague

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

### Eucharistic Adoration in Barryroe

Next Sunday, May 20<sup>th</sup>, 12.00 noon to 8.00 pm for guidance in the forthcoming referendum. All are welcome. Rota sheets available in church porches. Anybody interested in doing an hour's adoration please contact 087-2347665

### Cake Sale

Cake Sale in the Parish Hall immediately after Mass on this Sunday morning, May 13<sup>th</sup>, in aid of Underage GAA.

### Patsy's Fundraising Day

A huge Thank You to all who helped out, dropped in food, called in and in so many other ways supported the Tea/Coffee day in support of Cork Penny Dinners and the Simon Community. The fantastic amount of €1,664 has been realised so far and this will be divided equally between these two charities. Additional charities received the knitting/crochet work produced by the local group and many, many others in their own homes during the winter – the Neo Natal Unit in CUMH, the Simon Community, Blankets for Cancer patients – and the left-over food was

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[www.frcremin.com](http://www.frcremin.com)

BAPTISMS:  
Sat and 11.30 Sun or by arrangement.

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

ST PATRICK'S CHURCH,  
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sent to Cork Penny Dinners. Thank you so much for your support.

### 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 the 8<sup>th</sup> 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. We welcome Rosemary O'Leary to Kilbrittain this weekend. The Diocese has approved this initiative.

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### Pope St John Paul II on Respect for Life

11. Here though we shall concentrate particular attention on another category of attacks, affecting life in its earliest and in its final stages, attacks which present new characteristics with respect to the past and which raise questions of extraordinary seriousness. It is not only that in generalized opinion these attacks tend no longer to be considered as "crimes"; paradoxically they assume the nature of "rights", to the point that the State is called upon to give them legal recognition and to make them available through the free services of health-care personnel. Such attacks strike human life at the time of its greatest frailty, when it lacks any means of self-defence. Even more serious is the fact that, most often, those attacks are carried out in the very heart of and with the complicity of the family – the family which by its nature is called to be the "sanctuary of life".

How did such a situation come about? Many different factors have to be taken into account. In the background there is the profound crisis of culture, which generates scepticism in relation to the very foundations of knowledge and ethics, and which makes it increasingly difficult to

grasp clearly the meaning of what man is, the meaning of his rights and his duties. Then there are all kinds of existential and interpersonal difficulties, made worse by the complexity of a society in which individuals, couples and families are often left alone with their problems. There are situations of acute poverty, anxiety or frustration in which the struggle to make ends meet, the presence of unbearable pain, or instances of violence, especially against women, make the choice to defend and promote life so demanding as sometimes to reach the point of heroism.

All this explains, at least in part, how the value of life can today undergo a kind of "eclipse", even though conscience does not cease to point to it as a sacred and inviolable value, as is evident in the tendency to disguise certain crimes against life in its early or final stages by using innocuous medical terms which distract attention from the fact that what is involved is the right to life of an actual human person.

*Encyclical EVANGELIUM VITAE (the Gospel of Life), 25<sup>th</sup> March 1995; Paragraph 11.*

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