

Kilbrittain Parish weekly zullezin

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# **CORPUS CHRISTI**

### Masses this Week

Monday 9.00 am Tuesday NO MASS Wednesday to Friday 9.00 am. Saturday 10.00 am

#### Sr Marie O'Brien RIP

This Sunday we are welcoming the relatives of Sr Marie for her menmorial Mass. A native of Baurleigh, Sr Marie died last month. She had been a member of the Marionites of the Holy Cross in Opelousas, Louisiana for over seventy years.

# Corpus Christi

Procession immediately after 10.30 Mass this Sunday, weather permitting. If the elements are against us, procession will be replaced by Benediction. Eucharistic Adoration will follow until 8.00 pm. Thanks to those who have already committed themselves to keep watch with the Lord for part of the time. Please try to find time to adore the Lord in Exposition during the evening.

# Tea / Coffee Evening in Kearneys

Brendan Kearney and family invite you to a Tea / Coffee Evening on Fri next, 28th June, from 7.00 pm in memory of Justin and May. All proceeds to the Heart Education and Reserch Trust (HEART) at Cork University Hospital. We, the family, would like to thank eveyone for their support and generosity over the past 15 years.

# KILBRITAIN HISTORICAL SOCIETY Battle of Kinsale Tour

Guided bus tour of the Kinsale Battle and Siege sites on next Sunday, 23rd June. Tour guide will be archaeologist Paul O'Keeffe. Bus leaving Parish Hall at 2.15 pm. €10 per adult, €5 per student. Bookings to Triona 087-6689116

# Clean-up a Kilshinihan

Clean-up at Kilshinahan RC Church Ruin followed by a clean-up at the Mass Rock on Wednesday next 26th June at 7pm. Weather permitting. Organised by Kilshinahan Meitheal Group and Kilbrittain Historical Society. All welcome!

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# **BAPTISMS:**

Sat and 11.30 Sun or by arrangement.

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

#### Day Trip

Wednesday 26th June to Mount Congreve Gardens in Waterford, also trip on the Suir Valley Railway. Breakfast and Evening Meal in Park Hotel, Dungarvan. Bus leaving Kilbrittain at 8.00 am. Cost €75

# **Episcopal Ordination**

The Episcopal Ordination of Fr. Fintan Gavin will take place on Sun. Jun. 30th next. During the Ordination ceremony, the newly ordained Bishop will be accompanied by Bishop Buckley to take his seat on the Cathedra or the 'ceremonial chair' which gives the Cathedral its name. Also during the ceremony, the Papal Mandate i.e. the official letter from Pope Francis appointing Fr. Fintan as Bishop of our diocese will be read out. The ceremony at the Cathedral of St. Mary and St. Anne will be relayed to a large screen in St. Patrick' Cathedral, Skibbereen where people and clergy will join in the ordination by their prayers, hymns and Communion. It will also be possible to view the ordination ceremony which will be live streamed on www.corkandross.org as well as www.corkcathedral.ie

# + + + + + + + + Melchizedech, King of Salem

Melchizedek was born in Salem, in Canaan, which later became Jerusalem. In an era of paganism and idolatry, Melchizedek clung to God Most High and served him faithfully.

The startling fact about Melchizedek is that although he was

not a Jew, he worshiped God Most High, the one true God. The Bible speaks of no other people in Canaan who worshipped the one true God.

Melchizedek blessed Abraham. Abraham honoured Melchizedek by giving him one-tenth of the plunder of battle, or a tithe. Melchizedek's graciousness is contrasted with the rudeness of the King of Sodom.

God revealed himself to Abraham, but we don't know how Melchizedek learned of the true God. Monotheism, or worship of one god, was rare in the ancient world.

The Bible does not shed any light on Melchizedek's religious rituals either, except to mention that he brought out "bread and wine" for Abram. This act and Melchizedek's holiness have led some scholars to describe him as a type of Christ, one of those Bible people who show the same qualities as Jesus Christ. With no record of father or mother and no genealogical background in Scripture, this description is fitting.

Understanding Jesus' status as our high priest is a key point in the Book of Hebrews. Just as Melchizedek was not born into the Levitical priesthood but was appointed by God, so Jesus was named our eternal high priest, interceding with God the Father on our behalf.

Hebrews 5:8-10 says: "Son though he was, he learned obedience from what he suffered and, once made perfect, he became the source of eternal salvation for all who obey him and was designated by God to be high priest in the order of Melchizedek."