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Saints

St. Paul in his letters often sends greetings to the "saints" referring to the members of the Christian Community. They are saints because they have been sanctified, made holy, in the water of baptism and in the sacraments they receive as members of the Christian Community. In English there are two words saint and holy. In Many other European languages there is just one word; in Latin Sanctus with a variation of that in the romance languages; in Greek hagios, in German heilig; in Irish naomh (naofa).

During this season, Samhan, we celebrates the saints. We celebrate from Peter and Paul to the most recently canonised saint, all officially listed in the calendar of saints in the church. We also celebrate the unknown saints who have lived their lives faithfully in the presence of God and the service of others.

We also remember our relatives and friends who have died. We believe that the death of a Christian is not the end of life, but rather a transformation in an onward journey towards eternal life with God, in to the supreme holiness. It is appropriate then that we celebrate the two days of All Saints and the Holy Souls one after the other. We believe that this call to eternal life begins for all Christians in the water of baptism.



Blessing of Graves

On **Sunday, 8th of November** there will be a ceremony in the cemetery at Shanakiel at **3.00 p.m**. This will consist of a short prayer service and blessing of the graves.



Feast of All Saints Sunday 1st November 2009

Mass Times: Vigil, (Friday) 8.00 p.m. Morning, 9.00 a.m. and 11.30 a.m.

Feast of All Souls Monday 2nd November 2009 Morning, 9.00 a.m. 11.30 p.m.

The Novena of Masses will be from the 2nd to the 10th of November Saturday 7th 11.00 a.m.

First Sunday of Advent is on the 29th of November 2009.

Baptisms: Marriages:

Patsy Hayes, Harbour View to Brian O'Driscoll, Courtmacsherry.

My beloved is mine and I am his. (Song of songs 2:16)

Deaths:

Aidan Madden, Glaunavaud.

God's grace and mercy are with those he has chosen. (Wisdom 4:15)



Autumn Stations

Friday 23rd November:

Gerard and Sharon McSweeney Garryndruig. 8.00 p.m.

Saturday 28th November:

Gerard and Kathleen O'Neill Maryboro. 11.00 a.m.

Fourteen Stations have been booked this Autumn. We will hold the remaining Stations, in the Parish Church, on just one Saturday morning **14th November** at **11.00 a.m.**

Saturday 14th November: Knockbrown and Baurleigh. Glenduff East and East Village. Coolmain and Gurraneasig. Castle View and Meadow View. Gurranreagh and Glaunavaud. Ratharoon.

Our thanks to all those who are hosting the Stations Autumn. Thank you also to you the Parishioners for your generous contributions to the Autumn Dues.



November Novena

The envelopes for the Novena of Masses have been distributed. The Masses from the **2nd to the 10th of November** are offered for those whom you wish to be remembered. Masses on **Monday, All Souls Day** will be at **9.00 a.m. and 8.00 p.m.** and for the Novena will be at **8.00 p m.** each week day except Saturday 7th; **11.00 a.m.**.

We will also remember especially those buried in the cemeteries of the parish on different evenings of the Novena: Tuesday , Clashavanna, Wednesday, Rathclaren, Thursday, Shanakiel; Saturday 7th, Currarane; and on Monday the priests buried in the church grounds and past priests of the parish. On Friday, 6th November, we will remember especially those who died in the last year.



Pastoral Area

The Priests and members of the Parish Pastoral Assemblies and Finance Committees of the Parishes of Pastoral Area no 7; that is the Bandon, Enniskeane, Innishannon, Kilbrittain, and Newcestown Parishes met on Thursday 22nd October and planned to select people from their areas to become the new Pastoral Area Co-ordinating Group. This will be done during the month of November. The first meeting of this new Pastoral Area Co-ordinating Group is scheduled to take place on Thursday, 3rd December 2009.

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Parish Pastoral Assembly

The Cork and Ross Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes will be on **11th to 16th June 2010**The Parish Assembly is considering organising a group from the Parish to join the Pilgrimage as a Parish Group.

Anyone who is interested could contact Mary Murphy 021 4778313 or Anne Kelly 023 8849823