FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER 8<sup>th</sup> May 2022 This is Good Shepherd Sunday, a day of special prayer for vocations to the priesthood. There is the enduring command of Jesus to go and preach the Gospel and to care for his flock. There is a need for people of faith to pray to the Lord of the harvest to send labourers into the harvest.



Vigil Saturdays 6p.m. Sundays: 9a.m. & 11a.m. Weekdays: Monday to Saturday 10 a.m.

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

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# Deaths

We remember in our prayers Kitty O'Riordan, Silverdale Road. Our sympathies to her family, relatives and neighbours. May she rest in peace.

Eternal rest grant unto her, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon her. May her soul and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.

### Synod

It's not every day that the Holy Father asks every Catholic in the world to have a say in the life of the Catholic Church!

During this month of May, the Diocese of Cork and Ross is opening up ways for people to have a say and to listen and have an input into next year's Synod meeting in Rome which is called by Pope Francis.

The easiest way to find out more and to have your say is to go to synod.corkandross.org where an online confidential questionnaire is available to be filled in. (It'll take about 15 minutes.)

It's open until May 24th. All the responses will be collated and added to the feedback from meetings being held across the diocese with randomly selected groups during May.

A summary document will be forwarded from our diocese at the end of May.

# **Active Retirement**

Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> May 2022 at 7.30 at the Ardfallen Centre. Further information BallinloughActiveRetirement@gmail.com or text Anne 087-2736781

# **Ukraine Collection**

The Special Collection for Ukraine in the Diocese of Cork and Ross on 26th/27th March has now reached €237,729. The proceeds of this Special Collection are directed to Caritas Internationalis, which is the helping hand of the Church on the ground in the Ukraine and the surrounding region.

Sincere thanks to all who contributed so generously to the recent Special Collection for Ukraine. Nationally, this collection has raised to date over €3.25 million.

### **Mission and Ministry – Annual Collection**

This collection helps to fund the supports provided in the diocese to help parishes plan for the future, support lay leadership and ministries and develop new ways of being a vibrant faith community. A new chapter in Diocesan life with greater collaboration between priests and people requires training and resourcing such as the current Synodal Process in the Diocese and so much more in the coming months.



# Ballinlough Garda Forum Meeting

Our next Garda Forum Meeting will be held on Monday 16th May at 8.30pm in the Community Centre. Come along discuss any issues or concerns in your area. Our Local Councillors are invited to attend along with our Community Gardaí.

You are invited to a special Birthday Mass to celebrate the life and mission of St.Padre Pio on Wednesday 25th May at 7.30pm in Holy Trinity Church, Fr.Mathew Quay This Mass will be offered for all your intentions and will include a blessing with the relic of Padre Pio.

# **CONNECT - Faith Gathering for Young People (18 - 35 years)**

On Sunday 22nd May, young people from all over the Diocese of Cork and Ross will join together with Bishop Fintan for a special event called CONNECT. It will take place in the Student Centre in UCC from 2.30pm. The event promises to be a wonderful gathering of prayer, music, food, testimonies and sharing. To register for this event simply visit www.corkandross.org

Please, if you're able, return your Trócaire Box and let your love be a lifeline. – or give on www.trocaire.org Thank you for the light you bring.

### Padre Pio