

20<sup>th</sup> April 2025

Easter Sunday  
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# The Harbour



*Parish Newsletter for Passage West, Monkstown, Shanbally and Ringaskiddy*



**Happy Easter to all  
Harbour Parishioners from  
Fr. Dave**

## *Masses*

### SHANBALLY

Wednesday: 10.00 Mass  
Saturday Vigil: 07.00pm

### RINGASKIDDY

Tuesday: 10.00am  
Sunday: 08.45am

### MONKSTOWN

Thursday: 10.00 Mass  
Sunday: 10.00 a.m.

### PASSAGE WEST

Friday: 10.00 am Mass  
Sunday: 11.30 a.m.

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To book a Mass or an anniversary please go to the appropriate sacristy (either of the four harbour churches) well in advance of the intended date and check for availability with the sacristan.  
Fr Dave.

## **Easter – The 15<sup>th</sup> Station**

I come from a faith experience enriched in a Parish Church named after the great Feast of Today, The Church of the Resurrection, Farranree. It is where your former Parish Priest Fr Sean, is now ministering. It has been my special joy and privilege to travel to Lourdes on pilgrimage with Parishioners and friends. What has stayed with me for many years is the extra station – The 15<sup>th</sup> Station - The Empty Tomb, the Resurrection. An ancient hymn of past centuries.

## **Easter Hymn**

*This very ancient hymn, from an unknown writer, refers to the liberation of the just who were in Abraham's bosom and to the solemn and triumphal Resurrection of the Lord.*

The dawn of light shines forth - Heaven rebounds with praises,  
The leaping world rejoices - The underworld shrieks in pain,

When that most powerful king - Having broken the powers of death,  
Trampling hell underfoot - Unloosens the chains of the wretched.

He whom, enclosed behind a stone - The soldier guarded keenly,  
Triumphant with noble solemnity - Rises victorious from the tomb.

Now when the wailings and sufferings - Of the underworld are ended  
A resplendent angel cries - That the Lord is risen.

O Jesus, be the everlasting - Paschal joy of our souls,  
And join us, reborn to grace - To your triumph.

O Jesus, glory to you - Who, when death is conquered, shine brightly,  
With the Father and the gracious Spirit - For ever and evermore. Amen.

## **Weekday Masses**

Please note that there will be no weekday Masses in the parish on Tuesday, April 22<sup>nd</sup> and Wednesday, April 23<sup>rd</sup>.

## **Autumn and Easter Dues**

I would like most sincerely to reiterate a word to thanks all those who contribute to my ministry here via your Autumn, Christmas, Spring and Easter dues from Passage West, Monkstown, Shanbally and Ringaskiddy.

Fr Dave O'Connell



### **Confirmation**

Congratulations to the young people from Scoil Barra Naofa, Monkstown and Star of the Sea, Passage West who received the Sacrament of Confirmation in February from Bishop Noel O'Regan SMA and Bishop Fintan Gavin.

I also take this opportunity to sincerely thank the teachers and staff of both schools for their time and effort in preparing our young people so well.



### **First Confessions**

Congratulations to the children from Star of the Sea, Passage West, Scoil Barra Naofa, Monkstown, Shanbally N.S. and Ringaskiddy N.S. who received the Sacrament of First Penance during March.

Their preparation and enthusiasm for the sacrament was so evident during the ceremony.

Thank you to the teachers for preparing them and to their parents for bringing them.

### **Diocesan Time of Prayer and Discernment**

#### **FOP Carrigaline - Meetings took place in Carrigaline during February**



There was indeed a very good attendance from the Family of Parishes of Carrigaline as Parishioners and priests met together for three evenings in February. In the light of prayer and reflection we discussed many important aspects of faith, worship, the sacraments, community and more. We did so with intent and great purpose and energy. We recognize challenges going forward where there will indeed be a need for great collaboration as a faith community. Notes, ideas, reflections from all the Family of Parishes will be collated and then there will be a response from Bishop Fintan and the Diocese



### **First Holy Communion**

We look forward to celebrating the First Communion ceremonies in the coming weeks beginning with

Star of the Sea, Passage West will be on Saturday May 10<sup>th</sup> at 10.30 am  
Scoil Barra Naofa, Monkstown will be on Saturday, May 17<sup>th</sup> at 10.30 am  
Shanbally N.S. and Ringaskiddy N.S. will be on Saturday, May 24<sup>th</sup> at 10.30 am

We keep the children in our prayers as they prepare to receive their First Communion.

We invite and encourage all parents to bring your children to Mass in preparation for your child's Holy Communion.