

CORK CATHEDRAL FAMILY OF PARISHES
South Parish - St Patrick's - Ss Peter & Paul's
Blackpool – The Glen – Ballyvolane - Sunday's Well
Third Sunday of Easter

Cork Cathedral Family of Parishes

Lotto

Lotto Numbers: 05, 20, 26 Bonus: 01

Jackpot: No winner

Consolation prize: No winner

This week's Jackpot is **€20,000**
Consolation Jackpot **€550**

Spring Dues Envelopes are now available in all churches in the Family of Parishes

Trocaire Boxes can be returned to any of the churches in the Family of Parishes

Collections Taken Last Weekend

Offertory

- Cathedral €1,015
- South Parish €599
- St Patrick's/Holy Family €767
- Ss Peter & Paul's €2,055
- Blackpool /The Glen /Ballyvolane €2,142

There will be a second collection taken up at all Masses next weekend 25th/26th April for the Maintenance Fund

Congratulations

Congratulations to the young people of St Brendan's Girls School and St Mark's BNS who made the Sacrament of Confirmation in St Brendan's Church, The Glen on Wednesday 15th April

Mass of Chrism - Holy Thursday 2026

There was only one Mass celebrated in the diocese on the morning of Holy Thursday 2nd April 2026. The Chrism Mass took place at the Cathedral of St Mary and St Anne.

Priests of the diocese left their own parishes and places of ministry to travel with deacons, religious and lay people to the Cathedral in Cork for Mass celebrated by Bishop Fintan and concelebrated by the priests.

This Mass is known as the Mass of Chrism - after one of the holy oils which are blessed during this Mass each year. Referring to the oils in his homily, Bishop said the Oil of Catechumens, the Oil of Chrism and the Oil of the Sick flow out as streams of grace to all parts of the diocese.



Chrism Mass at the Cathedral

"They will touch the lives of our people in Baptism and Confirmation, in the Anointing of the Sick, in moments of joy and moments of great vulnerability" he said.

"They remind us that God's grace does not remain here in the Cathedral. It goes out. It reaches people where they are."

During the Mass of Chrism the bishops and priests renewed the promises they made at their ordination. Addressing the priests, Bishop Fintan invites people to support their priests.

"And I want to take this moment, on my own behalf and on behalf of the people of this diocese, to say simply: thank you. Thank you for your faithful and generous service: for the many hidden and unseen ways you serve your people - baptising new members into the Church, celebrating the Eucharist, preaching the Word, accompanying families, visiting the sick, burying the dead, walking with people in moments of joy and moments of sorrow."

"Much of what you do is not noticed publicly. But it matters deeply. And it is valued. And it is loved."

The Mass was also concelebrated by Emeritus Bishop John Buckley and Emeritus Bishop Noel O'Regan SMA.

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25 adults welcomed into the life of the Church at Easter Vigil in the Cathedral



Adults received into the Church at the Cathedral Easter Vigil

The celebration of the Easter Vigil in the Cathedral was marked with joy, hope, and renewal as 25 adults were welcomed into the life of the Church through the Sacraments of Initiation

Some were baptised, confirmed, and received the Eucharist for the first time, while others were confirmed and welcomed more fully into the Catholic Church.

In his homily, Bishop Fintan reflected on the profound significance of this moment, highlighting the visible signs of new hope.

“Tonight, we see new life before our eyes as these men and women come forward for the Sacraments of Initiation - Baptism, Confirmation and the Eucharist - they are a powerful sign for all of us. In a world that can so often seem tired or discouraged, they remind us that Christ is alive, that he is still calling people, that he is still giving new life.”

Bishop Fintan noted the diversity of those coming forward, pointing out that while some are from Ireland, others have come from across Europe and beyond, yet all now call Cork home. This, he said, reflects the universal nature of the Church, rooted in the local community while open to the wider world.

The presence of these new members of the Church brought a strong sense of hope to the celebration, highlighting the continuing call of faith and the renewal at the heart of Easter.

Coffa House

We are organising 2 Films

- A little bit of the Irish Showbands and their Stories
 - A Documentary of Cork Sweet Factory, Butter Market, Blarney Stone and Murphy’s Brewery
- Tuesday 21st April 2pm-4pm Refreshments served All Welcome... No charge



Reflection

The risen Christ walks beside us, often unseen, yet always near. Emmaus Café is a place to sense His presence in laughter, listening, and the ordinary moments of life, echoing the disciples’ journey. “Did not our hearts burn within us?” (Luke 24:32)



Office Hours in the Family of Parishes

Cathedral Parish Office
Monday to Thursday
 8:30am-4pm

Friday 8:30am-2pm

St Finbarr’s South Parish Office
Monday
 9am-11am
Genealogy Enquiries
 Monday 9:30am-11am

St Patrick’s Parish Office
Monday to Thursday
 9am-12pm

Friday 9am-10:30am

Ss Peter & Paul’s Parish Office
Monday to Friday
 8:30am-3:30pm

