##

***LISTOWEL PARISH NEWSLETTER***

**3rd Sunday of Lent**

**28th February 2016**

**Parish Priest: Declan Canon O Connor VF. Parish Office (Mon – Fri 10am – 1pm & 2pm – 5pm) 068-21188**. After hours emergency no. 0870908949.**Email:** listowel@dioceseofkerry.ie. *Notices for Parish Newsletter have to be in by 2.00pm on Thursdays***.** **Funerals** take place on weekdays at 11.30am and Sundays and Holy Days at 11.00am. **Baptisms** are at pre-arranged times and must be booked through the Parish Office. **Confessions:** every Saturday after 10.30am Mass. Check out our Parish Web Page at [www.listowelparish.com](http://www.listowelparish.com) and all Diocesan news on: [**www.dioceseofkerry.ie**](http://www.dioceseofkerry.ie)and a live stream of all liturgies on **www.mcnmedia.tv**

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 *fitted with a loop*

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**MASSES THIS WEEK 27th – 28th FEBUARY**

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| Saturday 27th  | Mary Flavin, Church St. /Patrick & Ellen Lyons, Clieveragh /Patrick Guerin, Ballahadigue /Kathleen & Eddie Hartnett & Mossie & Maryann Hartnett, Gortnaminch /Margaret & John McCarthy & Deceased Family Members, Duagh / Dan o Sullivan, Skehenerin /Kathleen Heffernan, Clieveragh & Mary Sheehan, Hawthorn Drive  | **7pm****Vigil** |
| Sunday 28th  | Ellen, Nell, Molly, Hannah & Maire Enright, Ballahadigue | 9.00am |
| Bridie Leahy, Ballygologue | 11.00am |
| Mon 29th  |  | 10.30am |
| Tues 1st  | Ted Keane, Slievecahill | 10.30am |
| Wed 2nd  | Special Intention | 10.30am |
| Thurs 3rd  | Dr. Louis O Carroll O’Carroll, Clieveragh /Edward McGrath, Writers Grove, Birthday Rem. | 10.30am |
| Friday4th  | John Martin Ashe, Church St.  | 10.30am |
| **First Friday Mass & beginning of 24 Hour Adoration for Year of Mercy** | **7.00pm** |
|  Saturday 5th  | **People of the Parish** | 10.30am |
| Martin Fitzmaurice, John B Keane Rd & Mountcoal, **1st Anniversary** /Nora & Gene Moriarty, Charles St. /Nora & Paddy Carmody, Skehenerin /Kathleen Whelan, Finuge /Christopher Myles Porter, Fourhane /Pat Hartnett, Coolagown /Joan, Tim & Patrick Buckley, Knockane  | **Vigil 7pm** |
|  Sunday6th  | Mona O Connell, Ballygologue Road | 9.00am |
| Patrick Joseph & Noreen Browne, O’Connell’s Ave. | 11.00am |

 ***Priest on duty for Listowel Deanery on this Sunday, Feb.,28th Fr. Noel Spring 0872935969 (emergencies only)***

**PARISH OFFERTORY COLLECTION:** Our Parish Finance Council say sincere thanks for the Offertory Collection last weekend.

**RECENT DEATHS: Nancy Deehihan nee O’Gorman**, of Lisselton ./ **Margaret Clifford nee Lynch**, late of Coolkeragh, died in Middlesex, England*. May they rest in peace*.

**ANNIVERSARY REMEMBRANCE:** Bridget O Mahony, Ballinruddery / Deceased Members of the Morris & O’Neill Families

**CHURCH NOTICES**

**DO THIS IN MEMORY OF ME PROGRAMME** We welcome our First Holy Communion children and their parents to our Saturday Vigil Mass this weekend for their February gathering.

**COMMUNION CALLS TO THE SICK & THE HOUSEBOUND**: Canon Declan will be doing his usual calls to the Sick & Housebound on Wednesday & Thursday afternoons next. The Parish Office will make contact as to the time of his arrival. Anybody new, who wishes a visit contact the Parish Office,.

**FIRST CONFESSIONS :** **Thursday next March 3rd**  - An Gael Scoil at 1.15pm. in the School. & Presentation Convent Primary School at 8.00 p.m. in Hospital Chapel.

**FIRST FRIDAY OF MARCH:** is Friday next March 4th. Usual Masses at 10.30 a.m. which will be followed by a ‘*cuppa*’ in the Meeting Room & Evening Mass at 7.00pm**. Usual** Confessions on Thursday after mass & throughout 24 Hour Adoration Period.

**CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD** will take place next weekend at Vigil Mass on Saturday & at 11.00 a.m. Mass on Sunday

**LENTEN TRÓCAIRE BOXES**: are available at the back of the church. Please take one home. Many thanks.

***“24 HOURS FOR THE LORD HOSTED BY***

 ***LISTOWEL & NORTH KERRY PASTORAL AREAS”***

Marking the Jubilee Year of Mercy at the initiation of Pope Francis and at the invitation of Bishop Ray – we welcome you to our celebration:  **taking place on Friday night next (March 4th ) beginning with the First Friday Mass at 7.00 p.m. It will continue with Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament in the Church right throughout the night and ending before the Vigil Mass on Saturday evening (March 5th ) at 7.00 p.m**. Fr. Kevin McNamara P.P. Moyvane will be our guest speaker. There will be a priest available for Confessions throughout the 24 hour period. We invite all from both Pastoral Areas & North Kerry Area to volunteer to spend at least an hour over the 24 hour period of Adoration. Please put your name on **Master Sheet** at the back of the church this weekend or ring the Parish Office on 21188. This is a very special opportunity of grace for our Parish to celebrate the Mercy of God for us and to highlight the ‘***Love & Mercy of God***’ in the Sacrament of Reconciliation.

**THE NATIONAL APOSTOLATE OF ADORATION RULING:** We bring to your attention that if Mass is being celebrated at the same time as Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament is taking place in the Adoration Chapel (eg a Funeral ) that Mass always takes precedent. Adoration resumes again immediately after mass.

**LISTOWEL EUCHARIST ADORATION GROUP** will meet on Mon. 29th Feb. at 11am. in the Parish Meeting Room.

**ARDFERT RETREAT CENTRE Year of Mercy ~ A Course on Faith** by Fr. Sean Sheehy on Wed. 9th March at 7pm. **Padre Pio** by Michael Clifford ~ Monday, 14th March at 7.00pm.

**MERCY IN THE BIBLE:** The Diocesan Bible Ministry Committee have invited Fr. Michael Mullins of the Diocese of Waterford and Lismore to give a talk on the theme of Mercy in the Bible in Our Lady & St. Brendan’s Pastoral Centre, Tralee, on Saturday, 5th March 2016 beginning at 11.00am and finishing at 1.00pm.

**PARISH BOXES 2016**: Again, thank you if you have already picked up your box. There are still a few more waiting to be collected. So we ask you to collect from either the Sacristy this weekend or Parish Office during coming week - You will need your box number. Also should you wish to register hand in your name to Sacristy or Parish Office and it will be sent to you. Thanks on behalf of Parish Finance Council

**COMMUNITY NOTICES**

**ST. PATRICK’S HALL AGM** will take place on Tuesday next (March 1st ) at 6.30pm. in St. Patrick’s Hall.

**COLAISTE NA RIOCHTA**: open day on Wednesday next (March 2nd ) 9.00 a.m. to 5.00 p.m. Parents and students are welcome to visit the school during the day to view all subject areas and talk to teachers and school management about the future needs of your son / daughter. More information: Phone 068-21023

**GAELSCOIL LIOS TUATHAIL** will be holding their open day on Friday next (March 4th ) 1.00 p.m. to 2.30 p.m. Everyone welcome.

**A NIGHT OF MUSICAL MELODIES & LAUGHS GALORE**! At the Tinteán Theatre, Ballybunion on Friday 4th March at 8pm. Fundraiser for Lisselton National School. Tickets €12.

**MUNSTER FLEADH** **LISTOWEL JULY 12TH - 17TH 2016**. Calling all traditional performers for Gig Rig, performers in pub sessions, stewards for Gig Rig, face painters, hair braiders, all local groups to dress up to interact with public and children, food stalls, etc.. contact Michelle, Chairperson Street Entertainment on lmbuckley@ eircom.net

**NATIONAL DAFFODIL DAY COLLECTION** takes place on Friday March 11th Here in Listowel our Local Branch of The Irish Cancer society will as usual looking for public support. We would be most grateful if any of you would have surplus Daffodils in your garden to donate them to us. We would also welcome Volunteers for a 1-2 hour stint Many Thanks Noreen 087/1946936.

**AGM OF THE LISTOWEL COMMUNITY CENTRE** will be held in the centre on Wednesday 9th March at 7.30pm.

***Check out more notices on the Church notice board and our Web Page at*** [***www.listowelparish.com***](http://www.listowelparish.com)

**THE LATIN MASS (1962 Missal)** will be offered in Holy Cross Dominican Church, Tralee at 1.30pm on Sun 6 Mar. and Sun 13 Mar. More info from LatinMassTralee@gmail.com.

**LISTOWEL BAZAAR** are asking the people that won hampers if they would like to recycle the baskets the hampers came in. The bazaar would appreciate them. Please contact Billy on 22131 to arrange to pick the baskets up.

**VOLUNTEER WITH SAGE SUPPORT AND ADVOCACY SERVICE FOR OLDER PEOPLE** Sage needs volunteers to help speak up for older people across all care settings. Sage will provide QQI accredited training and ongoing support. For more information call 086 183 1428, email michelle.rooney@sage.thirdageireland.ie or see [www.sage.thirdageireland.ie](http://www.sage.thirdageireland.ie)

**THE IRISH VOLUNTEERS** A lecture entitled 'The Irish Volunteers' by Dr. Daithí Ó Corráin, Member and Author, Coláiste Pádraig, Drumcondra, will take place in Killarney Library on Tuesday 1st March at 7.30pm. All are welcome.

**PARENT & TODDLER GROUP** A meeting will take place at Listowel Family Resource Centre to discuss setting up a Parent & Toddler Group in Listowel. Parents, Grandparents, Childminders, Au Pairs and anyone caring for children aged 1½ to 3½yrs. are invited to come to a consultation/discussion on Friday 4th March at 10 a.m. Adults only on this occasion please.

**TARBERT COMPREHENSIVE SCHOOL FUNDRAISING BINGO** afternoon on Sunday the 28th of February at 2.00PM in the school.  All funds raised will go towards furnishing the new fitness suite that has just been built.  Books can be pre paid through the school office or at the door.  A single books cost €10 and a double book costs €15.

**DYSLEXIA/DYSPRAXIA GROUP** will hold their monthly meetings at Listowel Family Resource Centre on the first Wednesday.

**Coláiste Íde Meánscoil** Lán Ghaelach do chailíní.

Lá oscailte 12ú Márta 2016 óna 12.00-17.00i.n.

Coláiste Íde, Baile an Ghóilín, An Daingean, Co. Chiarraí Fón: 0669151211 Ríomhphost: info@colaisteide.com  Suíomh idirlín: [www.colaisteide.com](http://www.colaisteide.com)

**ANAM CARA IS HOLDING A BEREAVEMENT INFORMATION EVENING** on Tuesday 8th of March from 19:30 to 21:30 Meadowlands Hotel, Tralee, Co. Kerry. The guest speaker for the evening is Pat McCarthy. All Anam Cara Services are available free of charge to bereaved parents. Anam Cara will need to confirm numbers for room set up, we would appreciate if you could RSVP to info@anamcara.ie before Monday, 7th  March  or call us 01 4045378.

**LISTOWEL FAMILY RESOURCE CENTRE** Names being taken for a new five-week course entitled 'Parenting when Separated' commences at Listowel Family Resource Centre on February 28 at 7pm.