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**LISTOWEL PARISH NEWSLETTER**

**Divine Mercy Sunday**

**23rd April 2017**

**Parish Priest: Very Rev. Declan Canon O Connor VF. Parish Office (Mon – Fri 10am – 1pm & 2pm – 5pm) 068-21188**. After hour’s 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 at 12.00 noon. **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 and a live stream of all liturgies at [www.listowelparish.com](http://www.listowelparish.com) and all Diocesan news on: [**www.dioceseofkerry.ie**](http://www.dioceseofkerry.ie)

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**MASSES THIS WEEK 22nd – 30th April**

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| Saturday22nd  | Stephen (Stevie) Foran, Baile O Dubhda & Bedford, Birthday Remembrance /Lily & Paddy Flavin, Dirha & Bedford /Maire Stack nee Chute, Feale Drive & Charles St. / Richard Carey, Ballygologue Rd. / Bridget O Sullivan, Ennismore | **8.00pm****Vigil**  |
|  Sunday 23rd  | Michael & Mollie Kissane, Clountubird /Robert Purcell, Woodford | 9.00am |
| Mike Fitzgerald, Ballinruddery /Catherine O Mahony, Ballygrennan /Christy Stack, Greenville | 12.00pm |
| Mon 24th  | Sheila McMullin, Tralee /Bill McGrath & Deceased Family, William St. | 10.30am |
| Tues 25h  | Martin Corridan, Bedford | 10.30am |
| Wed. 26th  |  | 10.30am |
| Thurs 27th  | Nora Curtin nee O’Connor, Tralee, Ballybunion & Chicago  | 10.30am |
|  Fri. 28th  | Johnny Griffin, Ballygologue Pk. | 10.30am |
| **Listowel Confirmation 86 Children**  | 2pm |
| Saturday 29th  |  Sinead Halket, Gurtinard | 10.30am |
|  John & Phillis McMahon, Clieveragh Pk. /Betty Clancy, St. Brendan’s Tec. /Ann Nancy O’Sullivan, Killocrim /Charlie O Donovan, Abbeyfeale & Drinagh,Hannah & Jack Regan, Betty & Jim Browne, Listowel & London  | **Vigil****6.15pm** |
| Sunday30th  | Noreen Donegan, Ballygologue Pk. | 9.00am |
| Batt Maher, Drombeg, 1st Anniversary | 12.00pm |

***Priest on duty for Listowel Deanery this Sunday, 23rd April***. ***Fr. Brick, 0879473317.*** *(emergencies only).*

**ANNIVERSARY REMEMBRANCE** Catherine & James Sheehan, Carrueragh, Kilmorna, Listowel /

**RECENT DEATHS Breda Lynch,** Killocrim.

**Fr. John Lucid,** Kilcummin and former PP of Moyvane.

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

**CHURCH NOTICES**

**DIVINE MERCY DEVOTIONS:** here in St. Mary’s Church on this Sunday afternoon April 23rd, from 3.00pm. to 4.00pm. Confessions will begin at 2.30pm. Also a very nice icon made by Jan Wolanski, Woodford will be available for sale at this prayer service for €10.00. All are most welcome!

**COMMUNITY HOSPITAL MASS:** and the anointing of the Sick will take place on Wednesday next ( April 26th at 2.00 p.m.

**DO THIS IN MEMORY OF ME**: The final session of ‘Do this in Memory of Me’ programme for the children & parents of our First Holy Communion 2017 will take place at the Vigil Mass next Saturday (April 29th ) at 6.15 p.m. In preparation the parents group responsible for it are asked to meet Canon Declan at the Presbytery on next Thursday at 6pm (April 27th).

**15th BATTALIAN F.C.A. / P.D.F. & 32nd R.D.F.** Also on Saturday night next, (April 29th) in conjunction with the Remembrance Weekend we are delighted to welcome participation of the above groups at our Vigil 6.15p.m. Mass . They will be displaying flags in a military style with a bugler playing with our Parish Folk Group on the night.

**TRÓCAIRE OFFERING:** Many thanks to all who have already returned their Trócaire Lenten Offering. To date a total of **€4,820.00** … has been contributed. Should there be anybody still wishing to make an offering which helps the ‘*poorest of our world’* – just drop into the Sacristy or Parish Office.

**SPRING / EASTER OFFERINGS**: Míle Buíochas for your generous Spring / Easter Offerings. This is one of the four offerings which you make throughout the year to support your own priest, those assisting and it helps priests in parishes who do not reach the basic salary of a priest in the Diocese. It is the green envelope in your Box or there are loose ones at the back of the church. If you have not already done so – you may drop your offering on the offertory basket or into the Parish Office at anytime convenient to you.

**PILGRIMAGE TO POLAND 2018** Our Parish Pastoral Council propose a parish pilgrimage to Poland in 2018, including city tours of Warsaw and Krakow and also visits to Niepokalanow (for St Maximilian Kolbe), the Divine Mercy Shrine, Aushwitz, Wadowice (for Pope John Paul), Czestochowa (Jasna Gora) and the Salt Mines. Please leave your name and contact number in the parish office if you are interested for the forthcoming information evening.

 **OUR PARISH CONFIRMATION DAY ON FRIDAY NEXT:**

86 parishioners from our local schools will be confirmed by Bishop Ray Browne on Friday afternoon next ( April 28th ) at 2.00 p.m. We congratulate our Confirmation candidates, their parents and teachers and ask them to be seated in the church at 1.30 p.m. Usual reminder: The use of Cameras and Videos are not permitted during the ceremony. There will be ample opportunity afterwards, both inside and outside the Church to take photographs with the Bishop. Wishing all involved every blessing.

**COMMUNITY NOTICES**

**LISTOWEL MILITARY TATTOO WEEKEND from Saturday April 29th and Sunday 30th**  Parking restrictions will be enforced in the Square to facilitate Parade and wreath laying  Ceremony and Military vehicles  display. We would appreciate anyone parking for Mass  to please remove their cars immediately after Mass on Saturday  April 29th  and Sunday 30th. Apologize for any inconvenience caused and appreciate your cooperation On Sunday there will be traffic delays during the Mock Battles that will take place in the Square between 1pm and 1.30pm and also between 4pm and 4.30. For health and safety please obey the stewards instructions.

**BEREAVEMENT GROUP** monthly meeting at Listowel Family Resource Centre on Wednesday next April 26 at 8pm.

**ARD CHÚRAM DAY CENTRE FOR SENIOR CITIZENS** will commence a fourth day service on Tuesday May 9th at its Centre in Greenville . Patrons will receive a welcoming cup of tea and scone on arrival and a hot freshly cooked lunch at mid-day. Entertainment such as song and dance, computer classes and crafts, cards and bingo are provided. The contribution towards this service is €10. Hairdressing and Chiropody services are also available at the Centre. For further information contact Margaret Payne at (068) 22986 on any Wednesday, Thursday or Friday.

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

**IRISH RED CROSS.** There was will an afternoon tea party on Sunday 7th May in the Grand hotel in Tralee from 3pm to 5pm, light finger food provided and music. Tickets are €5. Booking is essential. Bookings can be made on 087 708 8395.

**A MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER WEEKEND** will take place in Cork on the 5th - 7th May 2017. This is a Weekend for good marriages. For more information