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**LISTOWEL PARISH NEWSLETTER**

**24th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**17th September 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 Monday to Saturday at 11.30am & there are no Funerals on Sundays. **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 23rd – 1st October.**

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| Saturday23rd  | Philip Healy, Greenville, 1st Anniversary /Thomas O Connor, Skehenerin, & Deceased Family Members /Michael, Joe, Jim, Con, Agnes & Maurice Scanlon, & Deceased Family, Dirha /Noreen Browne, Woodford /Tim & Babe O Sullivan, St. Brendan’s Tce. /John Joe Stack, Bedford /Special Intention  | **6.15pm****Vigil**  |
| Sunday 24th  | Anna Buckley, College Lawn & Kileen | 9.00am |
| Paddy Stack, Woodford, Months Mind  | **11.30am**  |
| Mon 25th  |  | 10.30am |
| Tues 26th  | Julia & William McMullan, Tralee /Anne Hannan, Ballygologue Pk. | 10.30am |
| Wed. 27th  | Special Intention | 10.30am |
| Thurs 28th  | Mass of thanksgivingon behalf of the Listowel Race Company | 10.30am |
|  Fri. 29th  | John Enright, Dromurrin, Listowel | 10.30am |
| Saturday 30th  | Tim & Moira Griffin, Coolagown | 10.30am |
| Elizabeth Barrett, Golf View /Noreen Harnett, Smerla /Pat & Margaret O Sullivan, Finuge /Patrick Carey, Ballygologue Rd &Johnny & Josephine Woulfe, Patrick St. & Ballygologue Rd.  | **Vigil****6.15pm** |
| Sunday1st  | Peggy O Connor, Market St & Clieveragh / Mary O Sullivan, Ennismore | 9.00am |
| Brendan Sheehy, Meen, Months Mind /Martin McGrath, Cahirdown | **11.30am** |

**PRIEST ON DUTY FOR LISTOWEL DEANERY THIS SUNDAY*, 24th September, Fr. Lawlor, 087-6794112.*** *(emergencies only).*

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

**RECENT DEATHS:**  Eileen Barry, Bunagara

**ANNIVERSARY REMEMBRANCE** Peggy Bunyan, Convent Cross / Mary McNamara, Catheranne, Tralee & Dromerin Listowel / Michael & Agnes Scanlon, Dirha Cottages.

**CHURCH NOTICES**

**DATES FOR FIRST HOLY COMMUNION 2018:**

**Parish Celebration** of First Holy Communion will take place on Saturday, May 12th 2018 at 10.30 a.m.

**Nano Nagle** School: Saturday, 19th May 2018 at 2.30 p.m.

**CONFIRMATION DAY 2018 – FRIDAY, 13TH APRIL**

Nano Nagle School: 11.00 a.m.

Parish Celebration: 2.00 p.m.

**LISTOWEL PARISH FOLK GROUP** meet every Thursday night in the KDYS, Upper Church St. from 7.30pm. to 8.30pm. We are currently recruiting new members to join us. Please come along to the KDYS Centre on a Thursday night as we would love and appreciate any new members . Many Thanks.

**RELIGIOUS FAITH AND PSYCHOLOGICAL MATURITY** develop in stages. Both affect one another. Each stage sets the foundation for the next. Come and study the stages of Religious Faith and Psycho-social development. Learn at what stage a child, teenager, young adult, middle adult, and older adult should be. Religious Faith and Emotional maturity impact each other. Study why some people get stuck in a particular stage and don't develop further. All are welcome. Classes, 7.00-8.30, beginning on ***Tuesday next, September 26th in the Parish Meeting Room***. Instructor: Fr. Sean O. Sheehy, Ed.D.

**SAFEGUARDING CHILDREN TRAINING :** for Sacristans & Committees members on Saturday next at Seanchaoi Centre.

**DIOCESAN YOUTH MINISTRY WORKSHOP**: will take place for all involved in Youth choirs and Folk Groups in St. Brendan’s College, Killarney on Saturday, 7th October 2017. Directed by Derek Mahady & Aine Murray. Full details and registration with Tomás Kenny on 086- 3683778 or email:. tomaskenny@dioceseofkerry.ie.

 **Invitation for Altar Servers**

We invite any boy or girl from 4th, 5th or 6th Classes, from any of our local schools or outside our Parish, to be a Server in the new rota beginning in October. Application Forms available in the Sacristy & the Parish Office. When you receive your Application Form, we ask both a parent and the child to fill it in and bring it to a **short meeting of the Parents and the Servers on Thursday night next 28th September, at 7.00 pm, in the Church,** to inform all present of the Kerry Diocesan Safe Guarding Children Policy. It is now Diocesan Policy to have this meeting. Many Thanks for your co-operation.

**DIOCESAN ASSEMBLY ON FAMILY LIFE**: In preparation for World Meeting on family life taking place in Dublin in August 2018 – a Diocesan Assembly is taking place on Sunday October 15th 2017 in the Brandon Hotel, Tralee from 2.00-6.00pm focusing on  “***How can parish support family life?”*** This is for Clergy and all members of the Parish Pastoral Council, Liturgy group, Children’s Liturgy Group, Youth Ministers, Parish Secretaries and Sacristans. Register with the Parish office 068-21188 by 28th September.

**COMMUNITY NOTICES**

**PRESENTATION SECONDARY SCHOOL**, will have their Open Night on Wed 4th Oct from 5p.m. – 8p.m.. All are welcome.

**ST. MICHAEL’S COLLEGE** Open Night on Thurs 28th Sept. 2017 from 7.30pm to 9pm. Meet the teachers and view the fantastic facilities within the school. All are welcome.

**BECOME A TRÓCAIRE VOLUNTEER** and help make a difference for some of our world’s most vulnerable people. We are currently looking for volunteers in the Diocese of Kerry. Interested in finding out more? Please get in touch with Janet Twomey on 021-4275622.

**SAMARITANS** “You can’t underestimate the power of listening” Volunteer with us, come along to our information evenings Saturday 30th Sept. at 12noon / Sunday 1st Oct. at 3pm. and Monday 2nd at 7.30pm. all at our centre, 43/44 Moyderwell, Tralee.

**LISTOWEL LIBRARY will host a 'Cartoon Capers' workshop**

**with Author and Illustrator Alan Nolan for children aged 8-12 yrs on Thursday November 2nd  (Mid Term) at 10.30 AM. The workshop is part of the Children's Book Festival which runs in Libraries all over Ireland in October / November this year.  Advance booking is necessary by calling Listowel Library on 068-23044. This is a free event.**

**LISTOWEL GIRL GUIDES** are enrolling new members-girls of 10-14 years on Mon. 25th Sept at 6pm in Presentation Primary School. Places limited. Come along for more information.

**TOASTMASERS** on Thurs 28th Sept. at 8pm. in the Arms Hotel. Open night takes place on Thurs 12th Oct. All welcome.

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

**ALZHEIMER'S DAYCARE RESPITE Are you a caring person, do you have time to spare? We are looking for volunteers to help out in the Alzheimer's Day care Respite based at Listowel Family Resource Centre. For further details contact Bridie 068-23584/086-8556431.**

**LISTOWEL FAMILY RESOURCE CENTRE** Thursday 5th October 2017 9:30am - 1pm A FREE workshop on supporting healthy family life Babies/Toddlers are welcome to attend with family members Book in now and enjoy a *FREE ‘mini’ massage* before the event begins! Speakers Mary O Dwyer Speech & Language Therapy Manager HSE

“Supporting, encouraging and promoting language in babies and toddlers” Lorraine Hanlon, Play Therapist

“Supporting Babies & Children through Play”

Dr Ann Horgan Consultant Psychiatrist HSE

“Well Being for Mom and Family” Anne O Donnell Coiscéim

“Complimentary Therapies for Moms and Babies”

*Information stands on the day include: HSE, Dr Maher Products, Natalie Curtin Reflexology, Listowel FRC, Maggie Large HerbalLife ,Nathalie Thornton Complimentary Therapies*

*Goodie bags for all moms!!* Please contact Listowel FRC on 068-23584 Free Workshop but please book your  place

**THE MUNSTER  PIONEER GATHERING** takes place on 1st October 2017 in Woodlands House Hotel in Adare, Co Limerick. Registration is at 10.30 a.m. Tickets for the Gathering cost €30 each and the closing date for the purchase of tickets is Monday 25th. For further details contact Sorcha  0863642619 sorchaol@gmail.com, or Jimmy 0879773822 or Bridie 0879039066

**NORTH KERRY OLDER PERSONS MAINTENANCE SERVICE** provides a low cost home maintenance and minor repair service to senior members of North Kerry. Our service aims to help people stay in their homes in a healthy, safe and comfortable environment. With the holiday season around the corner now is the time to tackle those indoor jobs put on the long finger. We handle small interior painting jobs and minor repairs (e.g. fitting locks, hanging curtains, rails etc.). We also offer home cleaning and domestic support. For more information please call 068 23429 or 0873776724.

**ARDFERT RETREAT CENTRE** Human and Religious Development as Catholic Christians: Fr. Sean Sheehy, Wed. Sept. 27Th, 7.00pm-8.30pm. The Practice of Lectio Divina: Fr. Brendan Clifford, (2 weeks) Thurs. Sept. 28Th & Thurs. Oct. 5Th, 7.00pm-9.30pm. Marian Movement Cenacle: Don Laurent Larroque & other priests,  Fri. Sept. 29th, 6.30pm-9.30pm.

Meditation in Movement - Sacred Circle Dance: Bernie McCaffrey, Sat. 30th Sept., 10.00am-1.00pm.

Contact Ardfert Retreat Centre 0667134276