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**LISTOWEL PARISH NEWSLETTER**

**4th Sunday of Advent**

**24th December 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](mailto: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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*Loop System.*

*Please adjust*

*your hearing aid*

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**MASSES THIS WEEK 23rd – 31st December**

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| **Saturday**  **23rd** | Sean Curtin, St. Brendan’s Tec. /  Sr. Basil McAuliffe, Church St. /  Maurice & Mary O’Connell &  Sr. De Lourdes, Grogeen /  Joe O Connor & Deceased Member of the Brassil Family, Behins / Peter McCarthy Junior, London & Tanavalla /  Bill O Sullivan & Dec. Family, Coilbee, Deceased Members of the Browne Family St. Brendan’s Tec. / Nora (Dodo) Fitzmaurice crane, England & Ennismore | **6.15pm**  **Vigil** |
| **Sunday**  **24th**  **Christmas**  **Eve.** | Robert, Kevin & Sonja Broderick &  Kay & Don O Leary, William St. /  Bernadette Stokes & Dec. Family Mullingar | 9.00am |
| Edmund Murphy, Behins / Joan & Tom Keating, Dirha Cottages, Teresa Healy, Ballyhalla, Richard O Connell, St. Brendan’s Tec., Joanne Fitzgerald, London & Dell & Sheila Painter, London | **11.30am** |
| Dec. Mem. of the Corridan & Moriarty Families, Bunagara /  Margaret Carmody, Knockroe Drive /  Josie Doyle & Bridie Hassett, Bridge Rd/  Michael & Pauline Kennelly, Ballysimone,  Limerick / John Mulvihill, Coolaclarig /  Dec. Mem. of the McCann Family Listowel & Boston /  Laurence, Ellen & Maurice Collins, Kilmorna, Michael, Mary, Michael Gerald, & Eamon O Connor, Patrick St. /  Tom Lyons & Dec. Family, Ballyahadigue & Ballygologue Pk. & Jim & Peggy O Connor, Gorhnane, Lixnaw /  Michael McDonnell, Finuge & Dec Family / Joan, Hannah & Dan Walsh, Craughatoosane, John, Ned & Paddy Fealy, Ennismore, Eilie Mai & Daniel Lyons, Ballygarrett | **6.15pm** |
| ***People of the parish*** | **9.00pm** |
| **Mon 25th**  **Christmas**  **Day** | Jim & Anne O Sullivan, Charles St. /  Dora & Larry Buckley, Tanavalla /  Patrick, Patsy & Kathleen Stack & Dec.  Buckley Family, Nell & Jack O Connor, Tade foley & Denis Kelly & Bill O Sullivan | **9.00am** |
| Charlie Chute, Greenville /  Daniel & Elizabeth Kearney Moyvane,  William, Ellen, Ann & Mairead Walsh Pollough, Hannah Mulvihill, Bedford,  Dec. Barrett Family Moyvane & Glin /  Jeremiah Lehane, Craughatoosane /  Michael Dunworth, Gortcreen /  Daniel & Elizabeth Kearney, Moyvane, William, Ellen, Ann & Mairéad Walsh, Pollough, Hannah Mulvihill, Bedford, The Barrett Family, Moyvane & Glin | **11.30am** |
| Tues 26th | Edel O Halloran, Church St. /  Private Intention | 10.30am |
| Wed. 27th | Special Intention /  Deceased Members of the Sweeney Family, Convent Street /  Joan Walsh, The Square, 1st Anniversary | 10.30am |
| Thurs 28th | Henry Hilliard, Billerough House & College Lawn, Tralee, Month Mind | 10.30am |
| Fri. 29th | Con, Nancy & John Keane, Church St. /  Rita Sibley nee Griffin, Convent St. 1st Ann  / John Charlie O Sullivan, Killocrim /  Bibi Shandhu, London, 1st Anniversary | 10.30am |
| Saturday  30th | Kit & Pat Dowling, Bridge Road | 10.30am |
| Eamon Roche, 1st Ann. & Catherine Jennings nee Roche, O’Connell’s Ave. /  Carmel Walsh, Ballygologue Park /  Nora (Dodo) Crane nee Fitzmaurice, Ennismore & England | **Vigil**  **6.15pm** |
| Sunday  31st | ***People of the Parish*** | 9.00am |
| John O Mahony, Ballygrennan /  Tadgh Laide, Ballygologue Park /  Joe Carroll, St. Brendan’s Terrace | **11.30am** |

**PRIEST ON DUTY FOR LISTOWEL DEANERY THIS SUNDAY*, Canon Declan 0870908949.*** *(emergencies only).*

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

**RECENT DEATHS** **Elizabeth (Betty) O’Sullivan**, Church St.

**Elizabeth (Lila) Carroll**, M.J. Carroll Hardware, The Square.

**Martha Lyons**, Feale Drive.

**ANNIVERSARY REMEMBRANCE** Eileen & John Griffin & Deceased Family Members, Bridge Rd. & William Bartishell, Market St. / John & Kate Browne Dirha & Dec. Family.

**BISHOP RAY’S CHJRISTMAS MESSAGE**: ‘*A blessed and an uplifting Christmas to you all, and to all the communities of the diocese. Let us appreciate and be grateful for the goodness and generosity we see and experience all around us. Thank you for your faith, hope , love and dedicated service*.’

**CHURCH NOTICES**

**CHRISTMAS OFFERING 2017** which supports your priests and the priests of the Diocese are due at this time. There are special white envelopes in your offering Envelope Box or should you not be using the envelope system, there are loose white envelopes at the back of the Church or use any envelope. The Christmas Dues collection will be taken up immediately after Holy Communion throughout the Diocese at all Masses on Christmas Eve and on Christmas Day. Thank you for your continued support and generosity.

**ADORATION CHAPEL** will be closed for the week of Christmas.

**PLEASE NOTE OUR CHRISTMAS MASS TIMES**

***This Sunday, December 24th*** ***(Christmas Eve)***

**6.15pm** **Vigil Mass with our Parish Folk Group *(children’s mass)***

**9.00 p.m**. **Mass of the Nativity with our Parish Choir** & they will also be singing carols at 8.40 pm. before Mass.

***This Monday, December 25th Christmas Day***

**9.00am** *(no singing*) & **11.30am** **with our Parish Choir** & they will also be singing carols at 11.10 am. before Mass.

**Parish Office Closed for Christmas**:

**From Monday, December 25th to**

**11.00 a.m. on Wednesday January 3rd 2018**

***Happy Christmas Everyone***

***from Canon Declan***