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***LISTOWEL PARISH NEWSLETTER***

**1st April 2018**

**Easter Sunday**

**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 no funeral 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 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**

 *St. Mary’s Church is*

 *fitted with a loop*

 *system. Please adjust*

 *your hearing aid.*

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**MASSES THIS WEEK 31st – 8th April**

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| Saturday 31st  | Anthony Curtin, Clounmacon /Betty Gormaly, St. Brendan’s Tec. /Joan & Ned Brick, Listowel & Athea, Sheila Mocklor, Breda Sullivan & Mary Kelly, Listowel / Kitty Neville, Bedford & Danny, John & Alfe Neville / Lil Anne Curtin, Coolaclarig /Connie Murphy, Athea  | **8.00pm****Vigil** |
| **Easter****Sunday**Sunday 1st  | ***People of the Parish*** | 9.00am |
| Michael Barrett, Golf view, Months Mind /Denis Joe Hannon, Clieveragh, 1st Ann. /Maire O Connor, Ballylongford, /Jack & Bridie Leahy, Ballygologue Rd. /John, Rita, Michael, Margaret & Joe Moloney, Woodford & New York /Henrietta Dillon, Behins /Moss Galvin & Joe Mulvihill, Clieveragh  | 11.30am |
| Mon 2nd  | Deceased Members of the Old IRA | 10.30am |
| **Funeral** – Michael O Sullivan | 11.30am |
| Tues 3rd  | Ted Keane, Slievecahill, Birthday Remembrance / Special Intention /Mary (Mai) Slowey, Listowel & London /Private Intention  | 10.30am |
| Wed 4th  | Maude Carmody, Meen, **Months Mind** | 10.30am |
| Thurs 5th  | Kitt Guerin, Ballahadigue, **Months Mind**  | 10.30am |
|  Friday 6th | Lila Stack, Writers Grove & Courthouse Lawn, **1st Anniversary**  | 10.30am |
| **St. Padre Pio & First Friday Evening Mass /**Eileen Doyle, Clounmacon, Months Mind /Successful operation Intention  | 7.00pm |
|  Saturday 7th  | Michael O Gorman, Clieveragh  | 10.30am |
| Sheila Ryan, Skehenerin / Eileen Galvin & John & Mary Brennan, Dirha West / Marion Nolan nee Murphy, Bedford | Vigil 6.15pm |
|  **Sunday**8th  | Jim, Anne, Nora & Voureen O Sullivan, Charles St/ Tom & Jenny Carey, Main St.  | 9.00am |
| ***People of the Parish*** | 11.30am |

***Priest on duty for Listowel Deanery on this Sunday, 1st***

***Fr. O ‘Mahony, 087-6807197 (emergencies only)***

**PARISH OFFERTORY COLLECTION:** Our sincere thanks for the Offertory Collection last weekend.

**ANNIVERSARY REMEMBRANCE**: Pat & Bridie O Driscoll, Ballygologue Pk. & Tanavalla / John Sheehy, Clounmacon / Moss Galvin & Joe Mulvihill, Clieveragh / Daniel O Connor, Ballygologue Rd. & Ellen Moore, Charles St.

**RECENT DEATHS** ***Eileen Fitzgibbon nee O’Connell***, The Square.

***Julie (Sheila) Ryan***, St. Joseph Home & Ballygologue Pk.

**FUNERAL Michael O Sullivan,** Skehenerin, reposing in Lyons Funeral Home Sunday 4-7pm arriving into the Church for 7.30pm. Requiem Mass Monday at 11.30am burial in St. Michael’s Cemetery.

**CHURCH NOTICES**

**SPRING / EASTER DUES / OFFERINGS**: which support your priests are due this weekend. This is the ***green envelope*** in your Envelope Boxes. You may use the loose green envelopes that are at the back of the church or any envelope and mark Easter Offerings. Our thanks to anybody who may have dropped in your donation already. In order to facilitate this collection of your offering it will take place immediately after Holy Communion at the Easter Vigil Mass and also on Easter Sunday morning masses. *Many Thanks for your generosity*.

**TROCAIRE OFFERINGS**: please return your Trocaire Offering

**ICON OF THE HOLY FAMILY** will be in Listowel Church from Monday April 9th to Wed. 11th April.  The Icon was specially commissioned for the World Meeting of Families. Its presence in our diocese during these days is to encourage reflection and prayer for all families. Whether you’re a believer or appreciate art, young or old, everyone is welcome.

**CHOOSE LIFE:** We bring your attention to this week’s Issue 9 of weekly newsletter for **Choose Life 2018**. All issues are also available on our diocesan website at [www.dioceseofkerry](http://www.dioceseofkerry) (*Home Page under Diocesan News*). Please inform yourself on this important issue.

**KERRY DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES:** September 2nd – 7th 2018. Flights ex Kerry Airport. Total cost €785.00 assisted pilgrims €675.00. Pilgrimage Coordinator Janice 064 7758219.

**DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY** April 8th please note that there will be Divine Mercy Devotions in St. Mary’s Church, time: from 3pm. to 4pm. It will include prayers, benediction and confessions.

**PARISH OFFICE** will be closed from ***Friday, March 30th to Tuesday 3rd April.*** Normal hours resumes on ***Wednesday 4th.***

**ARDFERT RETREAT CENTRE** **Becoming a Caring Presence in Today’s World:** Noticing and Nurturing Important Feelings in Our Body, Presented by John Keane, European Director of the BioSpiritual Institute, April 27th - 29th at Ardfert Retreat Centre.  Book now 0667134276.

**COMMUNITY NOTICES**

**GAS NETWORKS IRELAND** construction of the gas distribution main throughout Listowel town have started last Wednesday 28th March. The route has an approximate length of 8km, starting at two locations ● Bridge Road continuing onto Town Square, Church St as Tim Kennelly, Roundabout. ● William St. upper continuing onto Charles St. & Colbert St. works will have an impact on traffic they will try to minimise disruption caused by the pipe laying works. Thank you in advance for your continued patience and support.

**FITZPATRICKS OF LISTOWEL**Bus to Knock 14th April 2018.

Contact Margaret Murphy (086) 8689359.

**THE LARTIGUE THEATRE GROUP** presents "Solo Run", a play by Tony Guerin at St. John's Arts and Cultural Centre. Opening from April 5th to April 9th.  Bookings at 068 22566.

**VOLUNTEERS NEEDED - BAG PACK FOR NCBI**

The National Council for the Blind of Ireland (NCBI) is looking for volunteers for its fundraising bag pack in Listowel on Saturday 14th April. If you can volunteer for a couple of hours please contact Collette McEntee on 01 882 1970.

**THE IRISH CANCER SOCIETY** operates a free transport service for patients attending hospital for chemotherapy treatment. Volunteer Drivers pick the patient up at the door of their home, drop them at the hospital door, and then when finished treatment, will pick them up and drop them home. Volunteer expenses are paid. Patients wishing to avail of this free service should contact their healthcare professional, visit the Society’s website at irishcancer.ie or contact the Irish Cancer Society for more information on 01 2310 522.

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

**Fr. Declan wishes you all a**

**Happy & Holy Easter**