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***LISTOWEL PARISH NEWSLETTER***

**1st November 2015**

**All Saints Day**

**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 web page and all Diocesan news on: [**www.dioceseofkerry.ie**](http://www.dioceseofkerry.ie)For a live stream of our Mass and liturgical services- follow **www.mcnmedia.tv**

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**MASSES THIS WEEK 31st – 8th November.**

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| Saturday 31st  | Sr. Nuala O Leary, Former Principal of Presentation Secondary School, **1st Anniversary** / Patrick Lane, Coolnaleen / Dermot Buckley, Bridge Road /James & Maureen Keane, William St. /Alf Neville, Bedford, requested by Listowel Comhaltas /Maureen Dowling, Derry / Tommy & Bridget Hannon, Courthouse Rd. | **7pm****Vigil** |
| Sunday 1st NovAll Saints Day.  | Richard Dillon, Ennismore / Josie Doyle & Deceased Family, Bridge Rd. & Tanavalla /Agnes Regan & Deceased Family, Dromin | 9.00am |
| **People of the Parish** | 11.00am |
| Mon 2nd  | **All Souls on November Lists** | **10.30am** |
| **All Souls on November Lists** | **7.00pm** |
| Tues 3rd  | O’Rourke, Whyte & Keane Families /Jackie Sheehan, Church Street | 10.30am |
| Wed 4th  | Helen O Keeffe, Charles Street &England | 10.30am |
| Thurs 5th  | Breda Mahony, Cahirdown /Maureen Hayes, Gortacrossane /Eileen O Sullivan, Feale Drive, Birthday Remembrance | 10.30am |
| Fri 6th  | Vera Enright, Ennismore | 10.30am |
| **All Souls on November Lists** | **7.00pm**  |
| Saturday  7th  | Kevin (Gegs) Sheehy, Ashfield**, Months Mind** | 10.30am |
| Kathleen McCarthy, Tanavalla, **1st Ann. /** Irene McElligott, Craughatoosane /Maurice & Elizabeth Fleming & Deceased Members of the Corbet & Fleming Families, Listowel & Tralee /Gerard Molyneaux, Clounmacon /John Paul, Eugene & Eileen McCarthy, Bunagara / Deceased Members of the O’Connor & O’Sullivan Families, Bunagara /Pat O Donoghue, Knockane & William Brobhy, Bedford  | **Vigil 7pm** |
|  Sunday 8th  | Tom, Peggy & Thomas Kelly, Killocrim /Eileen McCarthy, London | 9.00am |
| Danny & Nora O Donoghue, Bedford  | 11.00am |

***Priest on duty for Listowel Deanery on this Sunday, Nov. 1st Fr. Kevin McNamara 0876099930 (emergencies only)***

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

**RECENT DEATH** Margaret Nolan, Dirha West.

**ANNIVERSARY REMEMBRANCE**: Julia Conway, Killorglin / Michael O Keeffe, Moyessa / Patrick (Paddy) Canty, Ballygologue Pk. & O’Connell’s Ave. /Moss Lyons, Finuge / Agnes Regan & Deceased Family Members, Dromin / John Kissane, Brosna /

**CHURCH NOTICES**

**CHILDREN'S LITURGY:** will be held this weekend at the Sat. Vigil 7pm. & at 11am on Sunday. All children are welcome!

**NOVEMBER MASSES FOR OUR DEAD** : will begin on this **Monday**, **November 2nd - All Souls Day at 10.30 a.m. & evening Mass at 7.00 p.m.** when we will pray and remember all our loved ones who have gone to eternal life. You can include your Dead by naming them on our November Lists as a Parish at our special **Masse**s each of the Friday’s of the month of November with a 7pm. evening Mass - on **6th, 13th, 20th** - The Lists are available in the special November Envelope ***(purple envelope***) in your Envelope Box. Should you not be using the envelope system you can pick up an envelope & list at the back of the church and drop into the Offertory plate or into Parish Office. Many thanks.

**SPECIAL MASS FOR DECEASED OF PAST YEAR**: on **Final Friday of November - 27th at 7.00 p.m.,** whose requiem took palace in this church (***Nov. 1st, 2014, to 31st Oct., 2015***), organised by the Parish Liturgy Group. Please view the ***List of 74 names (RIP)*** in the sacred space in front of Our Lady’s Altar.

**PARISH BAPTISM TEAM** will meet Tuesday 3rd November at 8pm. in the Parish Meeting Room. All members are invited.

**LISTOWEL PARISH LITURGY GROUP** will meet on Thursday 5th November at 8pm. in the Presbytery.

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

**FIRST FRIDAY**: Friday next (6th November). Usual masses at 10.30 a.m. which will be followed by a ***‘Cuppa’*** in the Parish Meeting Room & Evening Mass for those on November List at 7.00. Usual Confessions on Thursday & Saturday mornings after mass.

**CHURCH DEFIBRILLATOR** : is now up and running and is installed in the Sacristy. Well done to the **22 people** in the Parish who have been trained to use it. Also thanks to Margaret Carmody, Knockanure for all her help and guidance with the training.

**ROSARY WILL BE PRAYED AT TEAMPALL BAN FAMINE GRAVEYARD,** beginning this Sunday @ 3.00 p.m.& each Sunday during the month of November. Please pray for the hundreds of nameless dead buried there. All are welcome.

**IRISH CHURCH COMMISSION & AGENCIES ANNUAL CHURCH COLLECTION** will be take up at all Masses next weekend, **7th & 8th November**. Many different groups are involved in the development of the Church in Ireland and are provided with their funding though this source of income. These include the Commission for the Laity, the Communications Institute, Liturgy, Justice and Peace, Education, European Affairs. Council for Social Welfare etc

**VISIT TO OUR CEMETERIES NEXT SUNDAY**

You are invited to come to your local cemetery on **Sunday next, November 8th**  to pray for our dead. Canon Declan will lead a short prayer service (*lasting 10 minutes approx..*) in each of our graveyards where we will pray for all our dead buried in that cemetery. The schedule is as follows: **2.30pm St. Michael’s Cemetery** / **3.00pm St. John Paul II Cemetery** / **3.30pm Finuge Cemetery**. This is another small way where we can publicly remember our loved ones during the month of November.

**COMMUNITY NOTICES**

**REMEMBRANCE DAY FO WORLD WAR 1** will take place at the memorial at the rear of St. John’s, The Square after **11am. Mass on Sunday (Nov. 8th )**. There will be bag pipers to play music, the World War 2 group will be in period dress uniform, a wreath laying ceremony with the last post/revallie and the national anthem being played. Followed by a roll call of the names of the 140 men/boys that died from the Listowel and the North Kerry area in WW1. Canon Declan will oblige with a prayer and a blessing on the day. The service will take 30/40 mins max. All are welcome to attend.

**THE IRISH PILGRIMAGE TRUST** are now accepting applications for their Easter Pilgrimage to Lourdes. Young people aged 11-30 years with a variety of special needs including physical and medical conditions like epilepsy or diabetes, learning difficulties or a young person who may have experienced some challenge in their life like a bereavement are all eligible to apply. The closing date for application is  Thursday, Nov. 12th Places are available. Further information can be found on the website: http:// [www.irishpilgrimagetrust.com](http://www.irishpilgrimagetrust.com) or from Ashley on 086 1030740

**TRÓCAIRE ARE LOOKING FOR VOLUNTEERS** to work at parish level. Are you interested in supporting the work of Trócaire? Further information from Fr. Michael Moynihan *(Trócaire Representative, Diocese of Kerry) 0876551902*

**CHOIR WORKSHOP WITH DR. JOHN O’KEEFFE** On Monday, November 16th, there will be a choir workshop in St. John’s Parish Centre in Tralee from 7.00pm to 9.00pm. Choir members from all parishes invited to attend. Dr. John O’Keeffe, a native of Portmagee, Co. Kerry, Director of Sacred Music at St. Patrick’s College, Maynooth, and lecturer in music at NUI, Maynooth, will conduct a workshop on his new mass, “Mass of Saint Mel”. Copies of the new mass will be available at the workshop. The Mass, commissioned by the Diocese of Ardagh and Clonmacnois to celebrate the opening of the refurbished St. Mel’s Cathedral in Longford, is easily memorised and the melodies are attractive and easy on the ear, carrying echoes of chant and native Irish song.

 **LISTOWEL TIDY TOWNS GROUP** would like to sincerely thank everyone who send cards made phone calls and generally wished the group well, following Listowel being crowned **Ireland's Tidiest Small Town for 2015** at the recent National Tidy Towns Awards.

Everyone in Listowel has played a part in this tremendous result and should be equally proud. It is a combination of the Community, the Municipal Council especially the Ground Staff. The Community Employment and Rural Social Schemes. The Schools and all the other organizations who make up the population of Listowel.
Hopefully  we can continue to harness all this good will and co-operation for the future, as many other Tidy Towns Groups will now be visiting our 'Award Winning' town to see how we did it! Lets all continue to work together to keep 'Lovely Listowel' looking as good as the Tidy Towns Judges saw it during the past Summer months. Special vigilance is always needed by everyone, regarding litter and ciggie butts! There is a Tidy Towns meeting taking place this coming Tuesday November 3rd @ 8pm. in St. Patrick's Hall. Please come along and see what **YOU** can do, to keep 'Lovely Listowel' looking lovely and litter free, for both  residence and visitors alike.

**PIETA HOUSE, SUICIDE AND SELF-HARM CRISIS CENTRE** 28 Moyderwell, Tralee, County Kerry (066) 7163660 [www.pieta.ie/contact-us](http://www.pieta.ie/contact-us) We provide a life-saving, barrier free service to the people of Kerry who find themselves at raised risk of suicide and self-harm. Personal and third party referrals are accepted, meaning a GP or psychiatric referral is not required. Family support is also available. All services are completely free of charge. Please phone to make an appointment.

**ANAM CARA** is holding a Bereavement Information Evening on Tuesday 10th of November 2015 from 19:30 to 21:30 in Meadowlands Hotel, Tralee, Co. Kerry. The guest speaker for the evening is Kathleen O Connor. 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, 9th November 2015 or call us on 01 4045378.

**FAMILY RESOURCE CENTRE** Ladies Listowel Family Resource Centre is offering a course on Skin Care, Make Up, Fashion Colour and Image starting on Wed. 4th Nov. at 10am. To book your place contact Bridie 068-23584/0868556431. The Parents Plus programme starts at Listowel Family Resource Centre in early November. The programme commences with six to eleven age group on Tuesday November 3, with the zero to six age group starting on Thursday. November 5 and the teens programme starts on Friday November 6. Each programme will run from 10am-12 noon on a weekly basis. Further details from (068) 23584.