##

***LISTOWEL PARISH NEWSLETTER***

**5th Sunday of Lent**

**13th March 2016**

**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 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**

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 *fitted with a loop*

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**MASSES THIS WEEK 12th – 20th MARCH**

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| Saturday 12th  | Margaret Keane, Bridge Rd. Months Mind /Annie & Peter Heaphy, O’Connell’s Ave. /Noreen O Connor, Bunagara & London /Dick & Mary Pierse, Market St. / Michael & James Cronin, Listowel & Annie Freedman, Uk. / Collette Mahoney, London / Cornelius, Elizabeth, John Paul & Sr. Pius O Farrell, Church St. /Annie & Peter Heaphy, O’Connell’s Ave.  | **7pm****Vigil** |
| Sunday 13th  | John Scannell, Dromin | 9.00am |
| Andrew & Josie Hartnett, Charles St. /Michael & Bridget O’Carroll, Clieveragh | 11.00am |
| Mon 14th  |  | **9.30am** |
| **Duagh Parish Confirmation Day** | **11.am** |
| Tues 15th  | Roisín McCotter, Belfast, Birthday Remembrance | 10.30am |
| Wed 16th  | John & Mary Dillon, Knockanassig & Clieveragh /Mary & Michael Halpin, Ballygologue Pk. & Ian McCarthy, Duagh | 10.30am |
| Elise Collins, Gortacrissane & Ballygologue Pk. **1st Anniversary**  | Vigil7.00pm |
| St. Patrick’s Day Thurs 17th  | **People of the Parish** | 9.00am |
| **Mass in Irish –** Joe Hilliard, Cahirdown | 11.00am |
| Friday18th  |  | 10.30am |
| **Stations of the Cross** | **7.00pm** |
|  Saturday 19th  | Margaret & Denis McElligott & Deceased Family Bedford / Nora Sheehy, Bedford  | 10.30am |
|  Kitty Broderick, Gortcreen, **1st Anniversary** /Angela O Connor, O’Connell’s Ave, **1st Anniversary**/ Fr. Gearóid O Donnchada, Birthday Rem. /Margaret (Peggy) Dore, O’Connell’s Ave & Lartigue Village / Michael O Mahony & Deceased Family, Woodford / Helen Nagle nee O Connor & Deceased Family, Bolton’s Cross / Tom Skeffington, England / John & Nora O Donoghue & Catherine Moore nee O Donoghue, Ballygologue Pk. / Thomas, Joe, Margaret, Michael & Rita Moloney, Grogeen & America / Paddy & Mary Barry & Deceased Family, Dirha / Anthony Greaney, Ballygologue Pk.  | **Vigil 7pm** |
|  Sunday20th  | **People of the Parish** | 9.00am |
|  Bridie Collins, Hawthorn Drive, **1st Anniversary**  | 11.00am |

 ***Priest on duty for Listowel Deanery on this Sunday, 13th March Fr. John Lawlor, 0876794112 (emergencies only)***

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

 **ANNIVERSARY REMEMBRANCE:** Patrick Lane, Coolnaleen / Mai Holyoake, Lartigue / Dan Joe Leahy, Shrone / John L O’Sullivan, Ennismore / Helen Kennelly, Market St. / Paddy Halpin, Greenville / Bridget & John Flaherty, Charles St.

**CHURCH NOTICES**

**EMIGRANT SERVICES ANNUAL DIOCESAN COLLECTION** will be taken up at all Masses (*after Communion*) this weekend, Saturday 12th & Sunday 13th March. This collection supports the ongoing ministry to Irish people in the Irish Church’s Emigrant Mission in the United Kingdom & the U.S.A., as well as parts of Europe. The support of the Church community is particularly valued by Irish emigrants in different parts of the world.

**WORD OF THANKS**: Congratulations to all our Confirmation candidates who were confirmed by Bishop Ray on Friday. A sincere thanks to their teachers, Sr. Consolata & the Parish Choir, their parents and our own Parish Staff for all their excellent work in the preparation of this special day. Well done to all involved!

**DUAGH CONFIRMATION DAY**: ***Please Note:*** Our Church will be the venue for Duagh Parish Confirmation which will be taking place on this Monday morning, March 14th at 11.00 a.m. This is because on this occasion they have a very large numbers and their own church cannot facilitate them. Because of this our own Parish Mass on that morning will take place at the earlier time of 9.30 a.m.

**MEDJUGORJE MONTHLY PRAYER GROUP** will meet on Monday 14th March in the Adoration Chapel at 7.30pm.

**ST. PATRICK’S DAY**: March 17th is Thursday next. It is our National Feast Day and a Holy Day of Obligation. Masses are the same as Sunday. Vigil Mass on Wednesday evening at 7.00 p.m. and on Thursday at 9.00 a.m. & 11.00 a.m. There will be a flavour of Gaeilge and our Irish culture at all our masses with the Parish Folk Group and the Parish Choir. Thanks to our local Coiste Glór na nGael for their help with the liturgy of the masses.

**LISTOWEL PARISH OFFICE** will be closed on Thursday next - St. Patrick’s Day. Normal office hours resumes on Friday morning at 10.00 a.m.

**KERRY DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES** Led by Bishop Ray Browne, September 2nd to 7th 2016, ex Kerry Airport. Pilgrimage coordinator: Janice O Sullivan, 064-7758219. €760.

Full details on Church Notice Board.

**EASTER CONFESSIONS:** There will be a **Penitential Service** for Holy Week with a number of Priests hearing Confessions on **Monday 21st March at 8.00pm**. We invite you all to avail of the opportunity to do your Easter duty on this night.

**COMMUNITY NOTICES**

**ST. PATRICK’S DAY ANNUAL PARADE** organised by Glór na nGael, will start at 12.30pm. You are requested **to keep the Square free of cars from 11.30am. to 2.30pm.** especially the area in front of the reviewing platform between St. John’s and the Bank of Ireland. Motorists are advised by the Gardaí to avoid driving through the Town between 12pm. & 2pm. as there may be delays due to the Parade. Alternative routes will be signposted. Thank you for your co-operation

**YEAR OF MERCY** ~ A Course on Faith by Fr. Sean Sheehy, next session will not be held until March 30th, at 7pm.

**LISTOWEL HOSPICE** will meet on Tuesday 15th March at 7.00p.m. in St. Patrick’s Hall.

**ARUS MHUIRE NURSING HOME** has a few places left for the Ring of Kerry Charity Cycle on Saturday July 2nd 2016. All money raised will allow us to facilitate the commencement of 4 assisted living retirement apartments onsite, facilitate the completion of a specific acquired brain injury room and complete the construction of 7 rooms. If you are interested in taken part or know someone who would like to do the cycle to sign up contact Kay on 0858889549 or Tyna on 085888553 or email on amnhkerry@gmail.com deadline 17th March.

**ROYAL MUNSTER FUSILIERS HISTORY LECTURE** Kerry Archaeological & Historical Society invites you to hear historian and author Thomas F Martin speak about The Royal Munster Fusiliers and the Gallipoli Campaign WWI in Tralee Library at 7.30pm on Tuesday 15th March. All welcome.

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