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***LISTOWEL PARISH NEWSLETTER***

**4th Sunday of Easter**

**17th April 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 16th – 24th April**

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| Saturday 16th  | Breda O Connor nee Sugrue, O’Connell’s Ave. /Marion Nolan nee Murphy, Bedford /John O Connor, Clieveragh Park /Karen Buckley, Movrneabbey, Mallow /Dan Browne, Listowel | **Vigil****6.15pm** |
| Sunday 17th  | Murt & Eileen Daly, Knockane | 9.00am |
| **People of the Parish** | 11.00am |
| Mon 18th  | Patricia Griffin, Feale Drive /Jeremiah Loughnane, Ballygologue Park /Frankie Corcoran, Feale Drive | 10.30am |
| Tues 19th  | Bridie O Connor, Duagh /Maura & Michael Cronin, Market Street &John Madden, Sligo | 10.30am |
| Wed 20th  | Martin Corridan, Bedford | 10.30am |
| Thurs 21st  |  | 10.30am |
|  Friday 22nd  | Kathleen O Sullivan, Derry, **1st Anniversary** | 10.30am |
| Saturday 23rd  | John (Sean) Daly, Australia, **Recently Deceased** | 10.30am |
|  Maire Chute, Feale Drive, **1st Anniversary** /John & Phyllis McMahon, Clieveragh Park /Christy Stack, Greenville | **Vigil 6.15pm** |
|  Sunday24th  | Angela Moloney, The Square | 9.00am |
| Kitty Neville, Bedford, **Months Mind /**Catherine Mahony, Ballygrennan /Mike Fitzgerald, Ballinruddery /Michael &Mollie Kissane /William Collins  | 11.00am |

***Priest on duty for Listowel Deanery on this Sunday, 17th April***

 ***Fr. Lawlor 087-6794112 (emergencies only)***

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

**RECENT DEATHS Michael O Gorman,** Clieveragh.

**ANNIVERSARY REMEMBRANCE:** Betty Grist, Dublin / Jim Roche & Dolly Roche nee Lucy, London & O’Connell’s Ave. / Dan Horan & Margaret Enright / Maureen O Connor, Church Street / Kathleen Harnett, Gortnaminch /

**CHURCH NOTICES**

**VOCATIONS SUNDAY:** This Sunday is Vocations Sunday when we pray for vocations to the Priesthood and religious life. The theme this year is ‘***’The Church, Mother of Vocations***’ Pope Francis has issued a pastoral message on [www.vocations.ie](http://www.vocations.ie). Full details for vocations for Kerry Diocese see [www.dioceseofkerry.ie](http://www.dioceseofkerry.ie) Thank You

**PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL** will meet on Thursday 21st April at 8pm. in the Presbytery. All members are asked to attend.

**SPECIAL COLLECTION FOR THE PEOPLE IN UKRAINE.** Pope Francis announced his intention to hold a special collection in all the Catholic parishes of Europe on

Sunday 24th April, (next weekend), to provide humanitarian assistance to people in Ukraine.  He asks that Catholics participate in this initiative with special generosity.

**CELEBRATING KERRY EARTH WEEK THIS WEEK**: Check out full details and brochure from theDiocese of Kerry Justice, Peace and Integrity of Creation Committee [JPIC], on [www.dioceseofkerry.ie](http://www.dioceseofkerry.ie) to enable us all to join in Earth Week 2016 April 17- 23. This year, in response to Pope Francis’ letter on the environment, Laudato Si- one of the cares Francis asks us to respond to is **the loss of biodiversity** and this is the chosen theme for Earth Week 2016. Linked in with this is, Fr. Sean McDonagh, Eco Theologian & Columban who will give a talk entitled “The Prophetic Challenge of Laudato Si’” taking place in St. Brendan’s Parish Centre, Upper Rock Street, Tralee on Thursday 21 April at 7.30pm.

**15th BATTALIAN F.C.A. / P.D.F. & 32nd R.D.F. REMEMBRANCE WEEKEND:** We are delighted to welcome participation of the above group at our Vigil 6.15p.m. Mass on Saturday 30th April. They will be displaying flags and there will be a military display with a bugler playing with our Parish Folk Group on the night. If people would like to put in names of their deceased associated with the above group they may contact the **Parish Office** directly or by phone or email over the next 10 days and they will be included in our prayers at the Mass. It is very appropriate that we remember and pray for all our departed friends and comrades during this special weekend celebrations. All are welcome!

**MUSIC MINISTRY WITH YOUNG PEOPLE** A meeting for those interested in developing Music Ministry with Young People took place last week in Killarney.  Many parishes were represented and great ideas were shared. The next meeting will take place on: Thursday, April 28th 2016 at 8:00pm in John Paul II Pastoral Centre, Killarney.  The purpose of the meeting is to explore ways of developing a resource for youth music ministry.  If you would like to attend or know anyone who might be interested, please feel free to invite them along.

For more information contact Tomás Kenny on 086 3683778 or email **tomaskenny@dioceseofkerry.ie**

**COMMUNITY NOTICES**

**CEILI** At Clounmacon Community Centre, Friday 22nd April at 9.30pm. Music by Donie Nolan. All welcome.

**BINGO FUNDRAISER FOR PRESENTATION SECONDARY SCHOOL** on Sunday next, 24th April in the School Hall at 3.00p.m. The Jackpot is €1,000. All welcome!

**ARDFERT RETREAT CENTRE *Enneagram*** – Friday, April 22nd - Sunday, April 24th. Discover the unique person God made you to be! Enneagram is a powerful tool for understanding yourself and helping you with your spiritual evolution. Learn specific steps you can take to help you function in healthier ways spiritually, mentally and through emotional well-being. Contact 066 7134276. ***Capacitar: Self-care Day* -** **Saturday, April 30th 2016, from 9.45am to 4.00pm.** Practical skills for stress management and emotional wellness. **Contact** 0878498061.

**PIETA HOUSE -  DARKNESS INTO LIGHT** is taking place in Listowel on May 7th 2016 at 4.15am. Registration is open every Saturday from 11am-5pm. @35 Church St Listowel OR Online @ <http://dil.pieta.ie/venues/venue-view/darkness-into-light-listowel> OR Register on the night of the walk.

**MUSICIAN REQUIRED FOR ALZHEIMER RESPITE SERVICE** Musicians are being sought to play/sing for the Alzheimer Respite Daycare service at Listowel Family Resource Centre on a Tuesdaymorning between 11am-12 noon. Further details available from Bridie on (068) 23584.

**ONE DAY PARENTING COURSE** Prepare to be amazed at the difference this will make in your family life! Learning how to communicate effectively with your children will bring about more cooperation from them than all the yelling and pleading in the world!  One day workshop Sunday 24th April; 10am to 3.30pm; Killarney (venue t.b.c); €45.  [www.goodbyestress.net](http://www.goodbyestress.net).

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

**“PATRICK”. THE 1916 STORY** of Captain Patrick O’ Connor, Rathmore. A musical drama, written and directed by journalist Aidan O’ Connor. Rathmore Community Centre, Saturday 23rd and Sunday 24th of April @ 8.00pm. Tickets 10 euro. Booking 064 7758588 or 086 0604732.