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***LISTOWEL PARISH NEWSLETTER***

**20th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**14th August 2016**

**Parish Priest: Very Rev. 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 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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**MASSES THIS WEEK 13th – 21st August**

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| Saturday13th  | Tom Carey, Ballygologue Pk **Months Mind** Brendan Guiney, Charles St. Birthday Rem./ Peter Moloney, Charles St. / Joan Murphy (nee O’Shaughnessy) ClieveraghKay O Connor, Craughatoosane./ Bebe Ross ( nee Harnett) Woodlawn & Mons. Timothy Harnett, San Diego & Smerla Bridge**, [Recently Deceased in California]**  | **Vigil****6.15pm** |
| Sunday 14th  | Jack, Mike, Stephen, John & Patrick Enright, Ballahadigue & Tom Kennelly, Coilbee /Robert & Catherine Stack, Moyvane & Maureen Stack & Sr. Julianna Culhane | **9.00am** |
| Michael Carmody, Ballyduhig /Jack & Sean Wight, Ballygrennan & Australia  | 11.00am |
| **Feast day** **of the Assumption****Mon 15th**  | Michael Quille, Church Street /Anne Walsh nee lynch, O’Connell’s Ave. | **11.00am** |
| People of the Parish | **1.10pm** |
| Grace McMahon, Cahirdown & Deceased Family Members & Mary McMahon Kelly | **6.15pm**  |
| Tues 16th  | Michael, Mary & Lily Foley, Cahirdown /John Kelly, Lyreacrompane /Mai Stack, Moyessa | 10.30am |
| Wed 17th  |  Josephine Walsh, Inch, Lisselton &  Eileen Keane, Garryard House  | 10.30am |
| Thurs 18th  | Mass of Thanksgiving & Special Intention | 10.30am |
|  Fri 19th  | Mary O Donoghue, Australia late of Ballygologue Pk. [**Recently Deceased**] | 10.30am |
| Saturday 20th  | Mary Keane, William Street, **1st Anniversary** | 10.30am |
| John Hannon, Convent St. **Months Mind** / Nancy McAuliffe**, Months Mind** & Pat McAuliffe, Bedford / Betty Griffin, Ballygologue Pk**. 1st Anniversary** /Kathleen Daly, William St. / Helen McConnell, O’Connell’s Ave.Birthday Rem. | **Vigil 6.15pm** |
|  Sunday21st  | Sean Thornton, Clieveragh /Maurice O Sullivan, Charles St & USA. | 9.00am |
| Margaret & Jimmy Scanlon, Clieveragh  | 11.00am |

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

***14th August Fr. Brick 087-9473317*** *(emergencies only)*

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

**RECENT DEATHS** Mary O Donoghue, Australia late of Ballygologue Pk. Funeral will take place in Australia.

**ANNIVERSARY REMEMBRANCE:** John & Hannah O’Brien, Charles St. / Pat O Leary, The Island / Patrick & Sonny Halpin, Clounmacon / Thomas & Timothy Linnane, Gortacrissane / Bridie Flaherty, Charles St.

 **CHURCH NOTICES**

**ANNUAL DIOCESAN COLLECTION FOR PASTORAL & RETREAT CENTRES** will be taken up at all masses this weekend, Saturday 13th & Sunday 14th August. The collection will take place after Holy Communion.

**FEAST OF THE ASSUMPTION OF OUR BLESSED LADY**: takes place on this **Monday, August 15th** It is a holy Day of Obligation. Masses here at St. Mary’s Church will be at **11.00 a.m. & 1.10 p.m.** (lunch time) & **6.15 p.m**. evening time.

**DIVINE WORD MISSIONARIES SAY THANKS:** We received a lovely note of ‘***Thanks***’ from Fr. Liam Dunne, Divine Word Missionary for the people of Listowel who generously supported them in their missionary appeal here in Listowel. The total amount raised was **€3,033.67** and this money will go directly to help the great work of their missionaries in Madagascar & Kenya. Well done all!

**UPDATE OF OUR CHURCH MAINTENANCE WORK:** The up-dating of the sanctuary lighting to *‘****LED lighting’*** was completed during the past week. This means we have a much improved lighting that is safer and will run at a fraction of the cost. Also two serious leaks were repaired in the roof over our Lady’s Altar. This has been a problem for some years as dampness was destroying the mosaic at Our Lady’s side. Also the stained glass window over Sacred Heart Altar is being restored this weekend. Our sincere thanks to our each of our contractors and all involved in the work.

**COMMUNITY NOTICES**

**ST. MICHAEL’S GRAVEYARD.** A reminder to all volunteers and committee members that the AGM of St. Michael’s Graveyard Committee takes place next Wednesday, 17th August, at 7.30 in St. Patrick’s Hall. As always, new members are very welcome.

**KERRY EMIGRANT SUPPORT** will hold their annual church gate collection next weekend - Saturday 20th and Sunday 21st August

**ST. JOHN’S CHURCH BALLYBUNION RESTORATION FUND** present in concert Michael Nash Tenor, Anna Mai Wall Soprano, Comhaltas Ceoltoiri Eireann, Mark Hennessy Boy Soprano, St. John’s Parish Choir, Danny Houlihan Piper and Noel Nash MC. Musicians: Mary Mulvihill, Chris Kiely and Denise Wren. on Wednesday 24th August at 8 p.m. at St. John’s Church Ballybunion. Suggested donation 15 Euro.

Just a Thought!

***You can choose!*** *On Wednesday next, the Leaving Certificate results will be published. We wish all our students every blessing and congratulations to you on all results. At a time, when the anxiety and strain of the June examinations is translated into harsh reality of results and Third Level offers, we still have the power of choice. Not about the past but about ourselves. We can make ourselves into a living sign of God’s love if we use* ***choice*** *wisely. Choose to love rather than hate. Choose to smile – rather than frown. Choose to build – rather than destroy. Choose to praise – rather than gossip. Choose to heal – rather than wound. Choose to give – rather than grasp. Choose to act – rather than delay. Choose to pray – rather than despair. Choose to forgive – rather than curse. I can choose to be responsible or irresponsible when it comes to driving, drugs, sex or alcohol. It isn’t always convenient or comfortable to decide what is right…. But sometimes the hardest choice can be the simplest: our will joined to God’s.*

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

**“PLAY THE CARDS YOUR DEALT”** by local man Gerard Mulvihill further copies have been printed and are available from Woulfe & Flavin bookshops price €10. Proceeds to Enable Ireland.

**HISTORY OUTING TO BROSNA** A historical tour of Brosna led by Tom Roche N.T., Historian, will take place on Sunday 21st August. Meet at Brosna parish church at 2.30pm. All are welcome. Organised by Kerry Archeological & Historical Society [www.kerryhistory.ie](http://www.kerryhistory.ie)