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***LISTOWEL PARISH NEWSLETTER***

**23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**4th September 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](mailto: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 4th – 11th September**

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| Saturday  3rd | Peggy Harnett, Smerla Bridge &  Johnny & Maire Harnett, Abbeyfeale /  Gerald & Kathleen O Driscoll, O’Connell’s Ave. / Michael Whelan, Market St. /  Special Intention | **Vigil**  **6.15pm** |
| Sunday  4th | Michael Lynch, Liosarda & Lisselton | 9.00am |
| Catherine Barry, Dirha Cottages | 11.00am |
| Mon 5th | Mass for fine weather for the Races | 10.30am |
| Tues 6th | **People of the Parish** | 10.30am |
| Wed 7th | Special Intention | 10.30am |
| Thurs 8th | Special Intention | 10.30am |
| Fri 9th | Special Intention | 10.30am |
| Saturday  10th | Denis Donovan, Clieveragh Pk. Ann. & Bir. /  John O Keeffe, Greenville, **1st Anniversary** | 10.30am |
| John Ryan, Skehenerin /  Barthy O Driscoll, Tanavalla /  Paud Guerin, Convent Street | **Vigil 6.15pm** |
| Sunday  11th | Sheila Stokes, Listowel | 9.00am |
| **People of the Parish** | 11.00am |

***Priest on duty for Listowel Deanery on this Sunday, 4th September Fr. Kennelly 087-2931064*** *(emergencies only)*

**DEATH NOTICE Evelyn Norman,** Bedford.

**ANNIVERSARY REMEMBRANCE** Eileen McGrath, Convent Street / Nora Flaherty nee Carroll, O’Connell’s Ave. & Martin Sonny Flaherty, O’Connell’s Ave.

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

**ANNUAL DIOCESAN NEEDS COLLECTION** will be taken up at all Masses this weekend 3rd & 4th September. This collection helps fund many of the Diocesan organisations as well as the promotion of catechetical initiatives. It will take place immediately after Holy Communion.

**CHURCH NOTICES**

**CHILDREN’S LITURGY OF THE WORD** will resume this weekend 3rd & 4th September at both the Vigil Mass 6.15pm Saturday night and at the 11am Mass on Sunday.

**THE BIRTHDAY OF OUR BLESSED LADY 8TH SEPTEMBER** To mark the occasion on Thursday next, Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament will take place at Our Lady’s Altar here at St. Mary’s Church from 11.00 a.m. to 2pm. Everyone is welcome to come and pray or sit for an hour or a while to mark Our Ladies Birthday. It will end with benediction.

**AUTUMN DUES (Yellow Envelope)**

The Autumn Dues Collection for the support of your priests is now due. You may give your Donation in the usual way using the ‘*canary yellow envelope’* that is at the beginning of September in your envelopes box. Should you not be using the envelope system, you may use the loose ‘*canary yellow envelopes*’ that are at the back of the church, or use any envelope of your own and place it on the Offertory Basket, or hand into the Parish Office. Use whatever system suits you best. Whatever offering you give - it is most appreciated. Thanking you for your on going support and great generosity**.**

**DATES FOR YOUR DIARY**: Please note the following dates when in-service / best practice training for the following ministries of the four parishes of Listowel / Duagh / Moyvane & Lixnaw taking place at St. Patrick’s Hall, Upper William Street, Listowel. It will be provided by Ms. Frances Rowland of Diocesan Pastoral Team

**Readers / Ministers of the Word**: Wednesday, 28th September at 8.00 p.m.

**Eucharistic Ministers**: Wednesday, 5th October at 8.00 p.m.

*We invite & recommend all our Readers and Ministers of the Eucharistic to avail of the training.*

**ADORATION CHAPEL** will be closed for the Week of the Races. Resume again on Tuesday Sept. 20th.

**COMMUNITY NOTICES**

**LISTOWEL ACTIVE RETIRED** Resumes on 6th September in St. Patrick’s Hall at 2.30pm. New members always welcome.

**LISTOWEL FAMILY RESOURCE CENTRE** Names are being taken for the Parents Plus course for 0-6. 6-11 and teens respectively to commence shortly at the Listowel Family Resource Centre. Further details from (068) 23584.

**COFFEE MORNING** in aid of Listowel Hospice on Wed 14th from 10.30am. – 2pm. at the home of Nora Mulvihill, 31 Church St. your support will be greatly appreciated.

**CHRISTMAS PANTO**: Musicians ,e.g guitarists, drummer, keyboard players needed for this years Panto in Listowel. Young people needed to take part in this years production. Anyone interested, please contact Michelle Whelan 087-2071371.

**LISTOWEL LIBRARY** The Children’s Summer Reading Challenge has now come to an end. Please return all completed “Summer Stars – Reading Cards” to the Library as soon possible in order to receive your prize pack. Queries 068-23044.

**ANAM CARA**, the national organisation that supports bereaved parents, is holding its next monthly Parent Evening on Tuesday 13th of September from 19:30 to 21:00 in Recovery Haven, 5 Haigs Terrace, Killerisk, Tralee. This event is open to all bereaved parents regardless of the age your child died, the circumstances of their death, or whether the death was recent or not.

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

**LISTOWEL COMHALTAS** lessons in Music, Song, and Dance & Language are offered. Classes commence on the 24th Sept. Registration is required. Phone: Sharon on 0873822275

**BUS TO LISDOON,** Sat 10th Sept. Depart Listowel 9.40am.

Includes T/C/Scone & Dinner (optional) Cost €60. Contact Marie 0861032436.

**TRUE DEVOTION TO THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY**.

Fr. Michael Kennedy, will give a presentation on Thursday 15th September at 7.30 p.m. in the parish centre, Church of the Resurrection, Killarney on the subject of Devotion to Our Blessed Lady. A welcome is extended to all.

(organised by the Legion of Mary).

**GOING TO UCC THIS YEAR?** Pop into the chaplaincy on College Road for a cuppa. You’ll find a home away from home.

The chaplaincy is a vibrant and warm community, where you can meet new friends, unwind in between classes, and just be yourself. In the chaplaincy you will also have many opportunities for reflection, growth, prayer, and to learn more about your catholic faith. Our full-time chaplains are always available to listen, and to provide you with whatever guidance and help you need on your university journey. At the Honan Chapel we welcome you to daily and Sunday Mass, prayer services, or for some quiet time on your own.”

**NATIONAL LEARNING NETWORK TRALEE** are currently recruiting participants for their QQI Level 5 Sport, Recreation and Exercise course. The course is free to individuals who are out of work due to illness, injury, those who have experienced a personal setback or early school leavers. Training and accommodation allowance provided. For further information, please contact NLN at 066 7122533 / 086 0404270 or kevin.smith@nln.ie