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***LISTOWEL PARISH NEWSLETTER***

**25th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**18th 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 17th – 25th Sept.**

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| Saturday  17th | Ellen McMahon, Gurtnaglana, Kilmorna /  Geraldine Daly, Castleinch /  Dan Broderick, Bunagara /  Bridie Mulligan, Bridge Road /  Mary McNamara nee Dillon, Tralee & late of Dromerin & Deceased Family Members | **Vigil**  **6.15pm** |
| Sunday  18th | **People of the Parish** | 9.00am |
| Margaret Daly, Knockane, **1st Anniversary** /  Benny Landy, Clieveragh Pk. /  Ned Stack, Cahirdown /  Denis & Joe Mulvihill, Clieveragh | 11.00am |
| Mon 19th |  | 10.30am |
| Tues 20th | John Joe & Peg Conway & Deceased Family, Ballygologue Road | 10.30am |
| Wed 21st |  | 10.30am |
| Thurs 22nd |  | 10.30am |
| Fri 23rd | Owen McGillicuddy, William St. & Cahirdown | 10.30am |
| Saturday  24th | Denis Dalton, Bridge Road /  Dan Joy, Killocrim | 10.30am |
| Noreen Browne nee Dore, Woodford **1st Ann**.  / Noreen Harnett, Smerla Bridge | **Vigil 6.15pm** |
| Sunday  25th | Ann Hannon, Ballygologue Pk, **1st Ann**. /  Sinead Deasy, Dublin, **Recently Deceased** | 9.00am |
| Mary Moran, Billerough /  Michael Scanlon, Dirha & London &  Agnes, Maurice & Joe Scanlon & Dec. Family | 11.00am |

***Priest on duty for Listowel Deanery on this Sunday, 18th September Fr. O’Connor 087-0908949*** *(emergencies only)*

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

**RECENT DEATHS** **Patrick (Patsy) Stack**, Gurtcreen.

**Kitty Murphy,** Lystoll Lodge late of Kilmorna.

**ANNIVERSARY REMEMBRANCE:** Joan McElligott, Skehenerin / Mary Enright, Coilbee / Dan Horan, Skehenerin / Peggy Bunyan, Convent Cross.

**CHURCH NOTICES**

**CONFIRMATION TEACHERS** will meet on Tuesday 20th September at 1.15pm. in the presbytery.

**Autumn Dues** Many thanks to those of you who have already contributed. Whatever offering you give - it is most appreciated. You can place the Autumn dues envelope in the Offertory Basket, or hand into the Parish Office. Thanking you for your support and generosity.

**1ST HOLY COMMUNION TEACHERS** will meet on Thursday 22nd September at 1.15pm in the presbytery.

**PADRE PIO EVENING MASS** ***will take place on the First Friday of every month*** from October onwards at 7pm. each month incorporating the Rosary, Mass and Benediction

**PRAYING AS PEOPLE OF MERCY** Sept 24th – Oct 3rd 2016 will be a special time of prayer in our diocese, that we might become people who act with mercy. This time of prayer will be opened by Bishop Ray at Evening Mass in the Cathedral on Saturday Sept 24th and will conclude with a celebration of prayer and music in the Cathedral on Monday Oct 3rd. A resource for individual use has been prepared to allow people to participate in this special time of prayer at home, in our parishes and in our schools.

**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.*

**FR. SEAN SHEEY’S COURSE** Prayer: 6 sessions 7.00 - 8.30. Place: Parish Meeting Room beside St. Mary's Church, Listowel. As the umbilical cord is the lifeline between mother and child in the womb, so prayer is the lifeline between God and the Christian. We will study what prayer is and the different forms of prayer. Come and join us so that our relationship with God can be refreshed and deepened. All welcome. Bring your copy of the Catechism of the catholic Church and your Bible. See you there. God bless.

**Invitation for Altar Servers**

It is that time of year again when the Parish Liturgy Group renews the Altar Servers Rota for the next 12 months. In the Parish of Listowel we strongly encourage our children and young people to participate in this very special ministry of serving at the table of the Lord. We wish to thank our Servers and their parents for their continued service and dedication. We invite any boy or girl from 4th, 5th or 6th Classes, from any of our local schools, to be a Server in the new rota beginning in October. Fr. Declan will make Application Forms available in each of the Parish schools during the coming week and should a boy or girl be going to a school outside the Parish, application may be made through the Parish Office. When you receive your Application Form, we ask both a parent and child to fill it in and bring it to a **short meeting of the Parents and the Servers on Wednesday 28th September, at 7.00 pm, in the Church,** to inform all present of the Kerry Diocesan Child Protection Policy. It is now Diocesan Policy to have this meeting and it will be finished by 7.30pm.

**COMMUNITY NOTICES**

**PUBLIC INFORMATION DAY** for the ***Listowel Bypass Road Improvement Scheme*** which will be held on Wednesday 21st September in the Listowel Arms Hotel from 12:00pm - 8:00pm.

**THE FILM “ROLLING BACK THE YEARS”** The class of 1962 in Clounmacon school and the black ditch will be screened in St. John’s, Listowel, on next Friday night, 23rd September at 8pm.

**HSE STOP SMOKING COURSE** Like to quite smoking? A HSE 6-week ‘Stop Smoking’ support group will start in: Family Resource Centre, John B Keane Rd, Tuesday 4th Oct. to 8th Nov. From 6.30 to 7.30pm. The course is free of Charge and delivered by a Smoking Cessation Officer. To confirm booking as places are limited ring Mary on 066-7195617.

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

***Good Luck & Best Wishes to the***

***Kerry Junior Football Team***

***in the All Ireland Final***

***this Sunday***