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**LISTOWEL PARISH NEWSLETTER**

**1st Sunday of Advent**

**27th November 2016**

**Parish Priest: Very Rev. Declan Canon O Connor VF. Parish Office (Mon – Fri 10am – 1pm & 2pm – 5pm) 068-21188**. After hour’s 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 at 12.00 noon. **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 26th – 4th December**

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| Saturday26th  | Eileen O Connell, Woodford, **Months Mind** /Edward Crowley, Cahirdown, **Months Mind** / John Harman, Cahirdown, **Months Mind** /Philomena Walsh, Feale Dr. **1st Anniversary** / Cornelius (Neilie) Dore, Woodford /Jimmy Clancy, St. Brendan’s Tec. /Maurice, Annie & Patrick Relihan, Ballylongford / Mary Healy, Greenville /Ellen Halpin, Breda Hinkins Nee Halpin, John Joe Halpin, Johnny & Bridget O Sullivan Dirha Cottages & Ennismore /Rita Moran, 1st Ann., Noreen Galvin, O’Connell’s Ave. & Anne Holly, England /Tony Brennan, Listowel & Newcastlewest /Jimmy Harris, Greenville  | **Vigil****6.15pm** |
| Sunday 27th  | Bill O Sullivan, Coilbee, Birthday Rem. /Richard & Margaret Roche, O’Connell’s Ave. & Eddie Huges, Cork / Murt & Eileen Daly Knockane & Eileen Larkin, Ballyduff /Angela Lowney, Moyvane & Clonakilty | 9.00am |
| Denis, Mary & John McCarthy, Tarbert /Thomas (Tom) O’Sullivan, Finuge | **12.00pm** |
| Mon 28th  | Peg O’Connor, Greenville & Kitt McDavitt nee O’Connor, Limerick & Greenville /Joan Healy nee Reidy & Deceased Members of the Reidy Family, Ballygologue Pk & O’Connell’s Ave. /Vivi Carey, Cahirdown | 10.30am |
| Tues 29th  | Joe Lambert, Wexford **Recently Deceased**  | 10.30am |
| Wed 30th  | Patrick O Regan, Ballyheigue | 10.30am |
| Thurs 1st  | Matty & Paddy Walsh, Inch, Lisselton & Garryard / Micheál O Sullivan, Clieveragh Downs  | 10.30am |
|  Friday 2nd  | Pat Fitzgerald, Abbeyfeale & Cork  | 10.30am |
| **St. Padre Pio & 1st Friday Evening Mass** | 7.00pm |
| Saturday 3rd    | Mary & John Joe McGrath, Woodford | 10.30am |
| Micheál O’Sullivan, Clieveragh Downs, **Months Mind** / Robert & Kevin Broderick, Kay & Don O’Leary & Sonja Broderick, Birthday Rem., William St. / Mick McAuliffe, Church St /Margaret Lynch, Glin/ Eleanor Culbert nee Moore, Charles St. / Jeremiah Lehane, Gortacrissane / Daniel Donegan, Ballygologue  | **Vigil 6.15pm** |
|  Sunday4th  |  Tim & Teresa Greaney & Jack & Jane Kelly,  Finuge / Bridget Twomey, Dirha Cottages  | 9.00am |
| David O’Brien, Kilmeany, Kilmorna  | **12.00pm** |

***Priest on duty for Listowel Deanery on this Sunday, 27th November Fr. Kennelly 0872935969*** *(emergencies only)*

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

**RECENT DEATHS:** **Helen Enright nee Relihan,** Billerough late of Castletownroche, Cork.

**Joseph Lambert,** Rathagan, Wexford, late of Charleville, Cork.

**Billy Fogarty**, Gloucester, England.

**ANNIVERSARY REMEMBRANCE:** Carol & Sean McCarthy, Killocrim / Tom Dowd, O’Dowd’s Rd. / Sheila Griffin, Milltown / Mary Healy, Greenville / Joan Keating, Dirha Cottages.

**CHURCH NOTICES**

**ENROLMENT OF OUR CONFIRMATION CANDIDATES FOR 2017:** is taking place at the **Vigil Mass this weekend**

**TEAMPILL BAN FAMINE GRAVEYARD** Rosary will be recited at 3pm each Sunday afternoon during November for all the nameless souls interned there. All are welcome.

**SPECIAL EUCHARISTIC ADORATION:** in preparation for Christmasis taking place each ***Sunday of Advent in the Adoration Chapel from 3pm to 6pm.*** You are invitedto drop in and spend time before the Blessed Sacrament.

**MASS for Joseph Lambert**, Wexford will take place at 10.30am. on Tuesday 29th November Joseph was one of the founding members of the Listowel Adoration Group and other group throughout Ireland. Requested by Eucharistic Adoration Group.

**GAEL SCOIL SERVICE OF LIGHT**: for the First Holy Communion Children will take place at their school on Tuesday next ( 29th Nov.) at 1.15pm.

**KILLOCRIM GROTTO MASS** will take place on Wednesday 30th November at 8pm. at Killocrim School.

**COMMUNION CALLS TO THE SICK & THE HOUSEBOUND**: Canon Declan will be doing his usual calls to the Sick & Housebound on this Wednesday & Thursday. The Parish Office will make contact as to the time of his arrival. Anybody new, who wishes a visit from the priest, contact the Parish Office, 068-21188.

**KILLORIM SCHOOL SERVICE OF LIGHT** Will take place on Thursday 1st December at 8pm. in the School.

**FIRST FRIDAY & PADRE PIO NIGHT:** Friday next (Dec. 2nd). Usual masses at 10.30am which will be followed by a ‘Cuppa’ in the meeting room The evening Mass will be the Padre Pio Evening Mass beginning with the Rosary at 6.45 p.m. Evening Mass at 7pm. followed by the Padre Pio prayers & Benediction. CONFESSIONS: Usual confessions on Thursday and Saturday morning after mass.

**ANNUAL DIOCESAN YOUTH COLLECTION:** will be taken up on the weekend of December 3rd & 4th. The KDYS has been working with young people in the Diocese of Kerry since 1971. It provides an invaluable service to thousands of young people through its network of youth clubs, projects and centres.  Proceeds from the collection will fund the on-going development of youth clubs across the Diocese.

**CHILDREN'S LITURGY:** will be held next weekend at the Saturday Vigil 6.15pm. 3rd December**.** All are welcome!

**ARDFERT RETREAT CENTRE:**  An Hour of Prayer Using Scripture (Lectio Divina):Sr. Elizabeth Gilmartin, Tuesday 22nd Nov. 7.00pm-8.00pm. Christian Morality: The Faith Lived by Fr. Sean Sheehy, Wednesday 23rd Nov. 7.00pm-8.30pm. Bereavement Support Day “Be Gentle As You Walk With Grief”: Tess Daughton & Maire G. Stewart, Saturday, 26th Nov. 10.00am-4.00pm. Contact: 066 7134276 or ardfertretreat@eircom.net.

**LISTOWEL PARISH CHRISTMAS CARDS** areavailable at the **Parish office**. A pack of 6 for €5.00 single Cards €1.00. Also we have Christmas Mass Bouquet cards.

 **COMMUNITY NOTICES**

**BLOOD DONOR CLINIC** in the Listowel Arms Hotel Monday 5th & Tuesday 6th Dec. 5pm. to 8pm. each evening.

**IRISH SHEELCHAIR ASSOCIATION** William St., will hold its Christmas Shop on Wednesday 30th November from 10am. onwards.

**LEGION OF MARY** meet every Wednesday at 8pm. in the Parish Meeting Room. All Welcome.

**WINNING THE PROLIFE BATTLE** conference organised by Catholic Voice, Saturday 3rde Dec. 2pm. – 5.30pm. at Brandon Hotel, Tralee. 4 Speakers no admission donations welcome 0598627268.

**OCTOBER STOCKTAKING** Launch of book of poetry by Pat Given, Listowel at St. John’s Saturday 3rd Dec. at 8pm. All welcome.

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

**LISTOWEL FAMILY RESOURCE CENTRE** The monthly meeting of the ***Meala Bereavement Group*** takes place on Wednesday. November 30 at 8pm. All welcome. ***Grandparents Tea Party***. A Christmas Grandparents Tea Party will be held at Listowel Family Resource Centre on Wednesday. December 14 from 3-5pm More details to follow in the coming weeks, ***Jumble Sale***  will be held at Listowel Family Resource Centre on Thursday. December 15 from 12 noon-4pm.  more details to follow shortly.

**A CATECHESIS ON MARRIAGE & FAMILY** Maryvale Institute International catholic College, a six-month distance learning course with two specialist modules on marriage and the family. Starting January 2017 for further information: tel: (0) 1213608118, email: mfcadmin@maryvale.ac.uk [www.maryvale.ac.uk](http://www.maryvale.ac.uk)

**A CANDLELIGHT CHRISTMAS WITH THE O’NEILL SISTERS** On Wednesday 14th December @ 7.30pm in S.S. Peter and Paul Church Ballyduff . Tickets E20 available at the Parish Office. Tel. 066 7148404. Many thanks. Mike. (sec).

**LIAM LAWTON CONCERT “O HOLY NIGHT”** in Castleisland Parish Church on Monday 5th December 2016 doors opening at 7.00pm in aid of Brosna Church Renovation Fund \*\*Tickets now available from Castleisland Parish Office, Cathedral Parish Office & St Johns Parish Centre.

**PIETA HOUSE** are hosting an event on the 27th of November in the Balloonagh bereavement centre.

**ST. JOHN’S PARISH BAZAAR:** NEXT WEEKEND:

December 2nd– 4th at K.D.Y.S. Hall, Denny Street. Tralee

Open Friday from 7.30pm, Saturday from 7pm and Sunday from 2.30pm. All are welcome.

**DOWN SYNDROME KERRY** will be hosting “Strictly Come Dancing” on Friday 2nd December in the INEC Killarney. Doors open @ 7:30pm. Show starts 8pm. Tickets can be purchased at INEC box office 064 6671555 or phone Ann Marie 087 6344829. Please support a fantastic night of entertainment.