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**LISTOWEL PARISH NEWSLETTER**

**7th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**19th Feb 2017**

**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 18th – 26th February**

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| Saturday18th  | Christina Hickey, O’Connell’s Ave. **Months Mind** Pauline Carey, Cluain Doire, **Months Mind** /Margaret Keane, Bridge Rd**. 1st Anniversary** / Lily Mai Relihan, England, **Recently Dec**./ Peg & John Gunn, O’Connell’s Ave. /Elizabeth Barrett, Golf View, Birthday Rem./ Sarah Clancy, St. Brendan’s Tec. /William McMahon, Gortaglanna, Kilmorna /William Gorman, Knockane & Eileen Brosnan, America / Lil Horgan, Charles St. / Bridget, Nora & William Brosnan, Behins / Mossie Walsh, The Square /Denis & Julia Herlihy, Clonkeen  | **Vigil****6.15pm** |
| Sunday 19th  | Masie, Thady, Daniel & Eileen McCarthy, Duagh / Ellen, Nell, Mollie, Hannah & Maire Enright & Deceased Family, Ballahadigue / Anne O Sullivan, Charles St.  | 9.00am |
| **People of the Parish** | 12.00pm |
| Mon 20th  | Peggy & John McCarthy, Ardydonegan, Duagh & Deceased Family Members  | 10.30am |
| Tues 21st  | Dymphna Leen, Dublin  | 10.30am |
| Wed 22nd  | Nellie & Jack Stack, Glenoe /James & Frances McMahon, David & Mary Barry, Audrey Hyland & Jetta Grogan  | 10.30am |
| Thurs 23rd  | Johnny Holly, O’Connell’s Ave. & Paddy Roche, Ballybunion Rd. /Catherine O Sullivan, Clieveragh Downs  | 10.30am |
|  Fri 24th  | Mickey & Eileen Egan, Coilbee/Peggy Hartnett, Ennismore  | 10.30am |
| Saturday 25th  | Patricia (Pat) Dillon, Ballygologue Pk. **Months Mind** | 10.30am |
| Michael Mooney, Clounmacon, **Months Mind /**Kevin Lucey, Knockroe Dr. & Charles St. /Patrick & Ellen Lyons, Clieveragh /Marina Lynch, O’Connell’s Ave. /Kathleen Heffernan, Clieveragh &Mary Sheehan, Hawthorn Drive /Tom & Nellie O Donnell, Mary Moran, Sarah Bambury, Ballylongford | **Vigil 6.15pm** |
|  Sunday26th | ***People of the |Parish*** | 9.00am |
| Mons. Dan Hannon, Greenville  | 12.00pm |

***Priest on duty for Listowel Deanery this Sunday, 19th Feb***. ***Fr. John O Connor 0879564726*** *(emergencies only).*

**RECENT DEATHS : Mike Roche,** late of O’Connell’s Ave & Ballygologue Park who died in London.

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

***EVENING FOR ALL EUCHARIST MINISTERS:*** *We invite all our* ***Eucharistic Ministers of Listowel Parish*** *and all in the Kerry Diocese to an* ***evening of Reflection in Ardfert Retreat Centre given by Bishop Emeritus Bill Murphy,*** *on* ***Tuesday next 21st Feb. at 7.00 pm****. Contact: 066 713 4276.*

***LEGION OF MARY*** meet every Wednesday at 8pm. in the **Parish Meeting Room**. *New members always welcome.*

**MASS & ANNOINTING OF THE SICK:** at Listowel Community Hospital & St. Joseph’s on Wednesday afternoon next 22nd Feb. at 2.00 p.m.

**RALLY FOR LIFE** Dublin 1st July 2017. [www.rallyfor](http://www.rallyfor) life.net Ph: 018730465 or facebook:@Allirelandrallyforlife

**NEW PARISH BOXES FOR 2017**: ***Denise (Parish Secretary)*** will be at the back of the church at each mass this weekend with the Parish Boxes. It will be a great help if you have your box number to receive your box as they are in numerical order. We also recommend that as many as possible householders use the ***Parish Envelope System*** as the Secretary can record your contribution to your Parish – be it your Offertory contribution, Priests Dues, Diocesan Collections, Trocaire etc. and should it pass ***€250.00*** in total in a calendar year and you pay tax, the Parish can claim a tax rebate. ***€16,142.00*** was reclaimed in **2015**. Almost **450** householders used the boxes in 2016. If you are not already registered and would be willing, please call into the **Parish Office** and we can register you. Many thanks to the 200 plus who have already picked up their boxes during the past week.

**ARE YOU INTERESTED IN KNOWING SOMETHING ABOUT THE PERMANENT DIACONATE?** At present there are over 50 working in Ireland with two here in Kerry and three more in formation. Bishop Ray is very anxious that as a Diocese we would have more. Accordingly, we are inviting interested men and members of their families (*wives or children*) who might be interested to come to an **Information Evening at The Presbytery** *(Please note change of venue)* **on Wednesday night next 22nd February at 8.00 p.m**. It is purely informational with no strings attached. Fr. Eoin Mangan, Director of Kerry Diocesan Diaconate Programme and one of our permanent Deacons (Rev. Conor Bradley, Milltown) will be present. More info on Permanent Diaconate on [www.dioceseofkerry.ie](http://www.dioceseofkerry.ie) If interested , please contact (*Parish Office) at 068-21188.*

**COMMUNITY NOTICES**

**ALZHEIMER ANNUAL COLLECTION** will take place next weekend. Saturday 25th & Sunday 26th February. Please support this worthy cause.

**LISTOWEL LIBRARY will host a story time afternoon on Saturday March 4th at 2.30 PM. This is a free event suitable for ages 1-6. All children must be accompanied by an adult.**

**ARE YOU A GRIEVING PARENT?** 1 Day retreat Saturday 4th March 10am. to 5pm. in Ardfert Retreat Centre. Contact Caroline Dunne at CarolineEmmausCompassion@gmail.com

**OCCUPATIONAL FIRST AID COURSE** is being offered at Listowel Family Resource Centre For further details contact: Bridie 068-23584

**WELL-BEING FOR MEN** Eight Week Course Start Date – TBD Topics to be discussed are:    Listening and communicating, Managing stress, Being assertive, Handling feelings, Handling criticism and praise, Dealing with conflict Building self-confidence, Making good decisions, Setting goals. A weekly €2.00 contribution will be required.

Contact Toni Clarke for a place on 068 – 23584

***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** Taking a class can help you understand your tablet, learn how it works and how to make it more productive and more fun for you. Brush up your skills and learn new tricks and shortcuts and more. Participants must bring their own tablets, This four-week six-hour course will feature basic tablet navigation, how to connect to WI-FI networks, how to use the internet on tablets and how to download and manage apps. Further details from (068 23584).

**RECIPES FOR HAPPINESS** – An adventure in nurturing and wellbeing for women. Sunday 12th March 2017 from 10-1, Tralee, Co. Kerry Would you like to: Build self-esteem and self-worth and honour your individuality? Grow more confidence to face the everyday challenges of life? Enjoy a morning with Joan and Susan on Sunday the 12th March in the Rahoonane Centre, Tralee for 3 hours of ‘time out’ that will benefit those in your life as well as you. Joan Barrett, Personal and Family Wellbeing Coach. Susan Browne (EFT Trainer, Accredited Counsellor and author) of Light Life Learning

Investment: €30 pay on the day or €27.50 pre-pay via PayPal. Please book in advance, and book early to reserve your space. Call Joan on 0863583120, or Susan on 0863381850