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**LISTOWEL PARISH NEWSLETTER**

**21st Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**27th August 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 11.30am. Mass. **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 – 3rd September.**

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| Saturday26th  | Stephen (Stevie) Foran, Baile O Dubhda /Gerard & Kathleen O Driscoll, O’Connell’s Ave. /Noreen Broderick, Loughill | **6.15pm****Vigil**  |
|  Sunday 27th  | ***People of the Parish*** | 9.00am |
| David Dillon, Behins, **Months Mind** / Jimmy & Margaret Scanlon, Clieveragh | **11.30am**  |
| Mon 28th  |  | 10.30am |
| Tues 29th  | Rev. Thomas Francis Maher & Sr. Kathryn Maher BVM. Chicago, USA & Deceased Family Members /Michel & Kathy O Connor, Johnny Nolan, Mossie & Peggy Hickey & Deceased Family Members, Craughatoosane /Special Intention | 10.30am |
| Wed. 30th  |  | 10.30am |
| Thurs 31st  | ***People of the Parish***  | 10.30am |
|  Fri. 1th  |  | 10.30am |
| St. Padre Pio & 1st Friday evening Mass /Special Intention | 7.00pm |
| Saturday 2nd  | Mass for fine Weather requested by the Listowel Race Company | 10.30am |
| **Funeral Mass –** Brendan Sheehy | 11.30am |
| James Lyons, Bedford, 1st Anniversary /Peggy, Johnny & Maire Harnett, Smerla & Abbeyfeale / Kathleen & Brendan Daly, William St. /Margaret & Hannah Kennelly, Coolaclarig | **Vigil****6.15pm** |
| Sunday3rd  | Jack, Mike, John, Stephen & Patrick Enright, Ballahadigue & Tom Kennelly, Coilbee | 9.00am |
| Catherine (Katsy) O Shea, Ballygologue Park, **Months Mind**  | **11.30am** |

**PRIEST ON DUTY FOR LISTOWEL DEANERY THIS SUNDAY*, 27th August***  ***Fr. Mossie Brick,, 087-9473317.*** *(emergencies only).*

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

**RECENT DEATHS Paddy Stack,** Woodford.

**FUNERAL MASS OF JEREMIAH (BRENDAN) SHEEHY (RIP),**

 ( *brother of our own Fr. Sean O. Sheehy*) who died in London recently & late of Meen, will be celebrated on Saturday morning 2nd Sep. at 11.30am. Burial of ashes in St. John Paul II Cemetery.

**ANNIVERSARY REMEMBRANCE** Mary O Keeffe, Moyessa / Eileen Bunyan, Convent Cross / David Trant, Behins / Margaret (Peig) O’Connor, Ballygologue Rd.

**CHURCH NOTICES**

**TEAMPALLIN BAN - FAMINE GRAVEYARD** Mass on this Monday 28th August at 3.pm. Everybody welcome.

**COMMUNION CALLS TO THE SICK & HOUSEBOUND** will take place as usual on Wednesday next with Canon Declan. The Parish Office will contact the regulars on list and should anybody new wish a visit contact the Parish Office.

**FIRST FRIDAY & ST. PADRE PIO NIGHT:** Friday next (1st Sept). 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.

**AUTUMN DUES / OFFERINGS**: are due in September. This is one of the four collections in any one year, along with Christmas, Spring and November offerings that support your own priests and priests of the Diocese. It is the yellow envelope in your Parish Envelope Box or you may use the loose envelope at the back of the church this weekend. Any offer is much appreciated and may drop into the Parish Office or drop into offertory place at any time throughout the month. *Many Thanks*.

**BOOKING OF MASSES FOR 2018**: Please note that Denise in the Parish Office will have her **Diary 2018** for the Booking of masses during the calendar year of 2018 opened as from Monday, 2nd October, 2017. Thanks.

**SECOND COLLECTION FOR DIOCESAN NEEDS**: Our September Diocesan Collection is taking place next weekend, Saturday, 2nd Sept. & Sunday 3rd funds various Diocesan Needs and Committees.

**COMMUNITY NOTICES**

**THE LISTOWEL BRANCH OF THE IRISH WHEELCHAIR ASSOCIATION** are doing a sponsored 10K walk on this Sunday starting & finishing at the IWA Day Centre at Ballygologue road at 12noon. All monies raised stays local for local IWA services. Your support would be much appreciated. For further information ring Jackie 086 395 3387

**PRESENTATION PRIMARY SCHOOL** Will be reopening on Monday 28th August.

**LISTOWEL LIBRARY:** Reminder to all children that participated in the 'Summer Stars' Reading Challenge, please return your completed cards to Listowel Library before the end of August

**NATIONAL LEARNING NETWORK TRALEE** are 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**

**REMINDER: FUNERALS IN THE DIOCESE OF KERRY AS FROM SEPTEMBER 2017**: From Diocesan communications through the media over the last few months you will be aware that from the 1st September 2017, there will unfortunately be no funerals (Mass, Liturgy or burial) on a Sunday in the parishes of the diocese.

* This change is necessary for many reasons: related to good Liturgy; related to factors in individual parishes; and related to the availability of priests;
* This applies from Saturday mid-afternoon; Removals to the church can take place on either Saturday or Sunday evening;
* This will apply to Christmas Day and St Patrick’s Day also. On the other Holy Days of Obligation for flexibility reasons the decision is left to the local parish (while discouraging such funerals for liturgical reasons);
* All 111 churches in our 53 Parishes are reminded that there will be no exceptions to this diocesan regulation;

‘*I realise many will have reservations about this decision. It has been taken after extensive consultation with laity and clergy throughout the Diocese’*

 ***Bishop Ray Browne***.

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

**ANNUAL PILGRIMAGE TO KNOCK** The Legion of Mary are going to Knock on Sunday 24th Sept. We leave The Church of The Resurrection in Killarney at 6.15 a.m. We will pick up in Farranfore, Airport Road, Castleisland and Abbeyfeale. Contact: Patricia 0879048659

**DIOCESAN COMMITTEE FOR JUSTICE, PEACE AND INTEGRITY OF CREATION** (1st September – 4th October).  Drawing on Laudato Si, the brochure is at the back of the Church, please take one home. Public events: ***Diocesan Prayer service to commemorate World Day of Care for Creation in Tralee Town Park*** @ 6.45pm on Friday 1st September; ***An evening on “Reducing Food Waste and Composting: simple practical ways*** with Donal O’Leary” @ 8pm in John Paul II Pastoral Centre, Killarney on Tuesday 12th September; ***A cookery demonstration with Mark Doe “Being Creative with Leftovers***” @ 8pm in St. Brendan’s Pastoral Centre, Tralee on Thursday 28th September.

**KNOW MARY, KNOW JESUS, DARE TO BELIEVE**. This is the title of a Catholic Young Adults Conference which is being held on 2nd-3rd September in All Hallows, Dublin. This is a fantastic weekend packed full of interesting events and open to all 18-40 year old. The Legion of Mary in the Kerry Diocese wish to sponsor two young people to attend. They will cover the travel and the full residential accommodation. Please contact Patricia at 0879048659.

**ARDFERT RETREAT CENTRE** Ballyheigue Pattern Day – Adoration at Ardfert Retreat Centre: Fri. Sept. 8Th, 1.00pm-4.00pm. Gathering for Parish Contact People: Mon. Sept. 18th, 7.00pm-9.30pm. Human and Religious Development as Catholic Christians: Fr. Sean Sheehy, (8weeks) each Wed. starting Sept. 20Th, 7.00pm-8.30pm. The Practice of Lectio Divina: Fr. Brendan Clifford, (2 weeks) Thurs. Sept. 20Th & Thurs. Oct. 5Th, 7.00pm-9.30pm. Contact 0667134276.