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**LISTOWEL PARISH NEWSLETTER**

**Holy Trinity**

**10th September 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 9th – 17th September.**

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| Saturday9th  | Paud Guerin, Convent Street /Bridie Hassett, Bridge Road /Barthy O Driscoll, Tanavalla /Catherine Barry, Dirha Cottages /Michael Whelan, Market Street /Dan Broderick, Bunagara /John Ryan, Skehenerin /Tony O Callaghan, Cahirdown /Nora Browne, Coolagown | **6.15pm****Vigil**  |
| Sunday 10th  | Mona & Mick Ryan, Ballygologue Pk | 9.00am |
| Joan Dore, Charles St.  | **11.30am**  |
| Mon 11th  |  | 10.30am |
| Tues 12th  | Luke Slowey, Rosslare, Co. Fermanagh & London / Special Intention /Sarah Colbert & Family /Deceased Members of the Listowel Races Supporters Club | 10.30am |
| Wed. 13th  | Hannah & Vera Buckley, Gurtinard | 10.30am |
| Thurs 14th  | Danny O Donnell, Ontario, Canada late of Clounmacon & Knockane /Josephine & Timothy O Sullivan, Convent Cross  | 10.30am |
|  Fri. 15th  | Eddie Reidy O’Connell’s Ave. | 10.30am |
| Saturday 16th  | Denis Dalton, Bridge Rd. /Patrick (Pasty) Stack, Gortcreen, 1st Ann./Sheila Stokes, Cahirdown, & Deceased Members of the Stokes & O’Connell Families  | 10.30am |
| Geraldine Daly, Castleinch /Ellen McMahon, Gortaglanna, Kilmorna /Tess Stack, Moyessa  | **Vigil****6.15pm** |
| Sunday17th  | ***People of the Parish*** | 9.00am |
| Tom Fitzmaurice, Knockane /Benny Landy, Clieveragh Park /Margaret Daly, Knockane  | **11.30am** |

**PRIEST ON DUTY FOR LISTOWEL DEANERY THIS SUNDAY*, 17th September, Fr. Hanafin, 087-8341083.*** *(emergencies only).*

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

**RECENT DEATHS:**  Mary Roche, Bedford.

**ANNIVERSARY REMEMBRANCE** Andrew Griffin, O’Connell’s Ave. Pat McAuliffe, Bedford, Lisa McAuliffe, Sydney  (Months Mind)

**CHURCH NOTICES**

**AUTUMN STATION OFFERINGS / DUES**: Many thanks to you who have already dropped in your Autumn Station Dues. This offering supports the priest & priests running this Parish & Diocese through the Fraternity Fund. It is the yellow envelope in your envelope box or you can pick up a loose yellow envelope at the back of the church. You may place your offering on the Offertory collection plate or drop into the Parish Office anytime. Any contribution is much appreciated. You’re generous on-going support is much appreciated.

**UPDATE ON MAINTENANCE WORKS IN OUR CHURCH THIS SUMMER**:

The Parish Finance Council is happy to announce the completion of some maintenance works which were carried out in St. Mary’s Church over the past number of weeks.

1. Restoration of the stained Glass Window on your right within the Sanctuary area. This window had been leaking water and was warped. It was repaired where glass was broken and completely re-leaded and is looking splendid.
2. The left had door at the back of the church has been made wheel-chair assessable. Those wish to open it electronically should press the wheel chair button once on entrance and again on exiting.
3. The images that were part of the old pulpit that was in our church previously, have been completely restored and names placed underneath on the pillars in the upper half of the church. This work was carefully carried out meticulously out by our own Jan Wolanski, Woodford. It is great that the remains of this old pulpit have been preserved and returned rightfully back to our church.

Please view the above works in your own time and it has been possible only because of your own on-going generosity in supporting to your church. There are a number of other stained glass windows that need repairing and they will be done on a phased basis as we can afford it. Well done to you all! ***Thanks – Fr. Declan***

**PARISH OFFICE HOURS DURING RACE WEEK** Please note we will be opened only from **10am. To 1pm**. this week Monday to Friday during the week of the Races. Normal Offices hour’s resumes on Monday 18th September.

**COMMUNITY NOTICES**

**LISTOWEL LIBRARY will hold a 'Storytime' session on Saturday September 23rd at 11:00am. Suitable for ages 1-6, children must be accompanied by an adult. Free event, please bring your listening ears! All Welcome.**

**ALZHEIMER'S CARERS** The monthly meeting of the alzheimer's carers support group takes place on Tuesday September 11 at 12.30 at the Listowel Family Resource Centre.

**ANAM CARA,** the organisation that supports bereaved parents, is holding its next monthly Parent Evening on Tuesday 12th of Sept. from 19:30 to 21:00 in Recovery Haven, 5 Haig's Terrace, Killierisk, Tralee, Co. Kerry. 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.

**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.

***CEAD MILE FÁILTE***

***TO LISTOWEL RACE WEEK***

We would like to welcome all who are in Listowel during our Harvest Festival Week. We ask God to continue blessing us with the appropriate weather for the Races and pray that ‘Lovely Listowel’ will have a bumper week. Have a great week***.***

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

**KNOCK PILGRIMAGE FROM ABBEYFEALE**: Led by Abbeyfeale Legion of Mary on Sunday, 24th September – Luxury Coach Leaving Church of Assumption, Abbeyfeale at 7.00 a.m. Cost €20.00 Further details and booking: Gerard O’Callaghan 087-2980841

**ARDFERT RETREAT CENTRE** Ballyheigue Pattern Day – Adoration at Ardfert Retreat Centre: Fri. Sept. 8Th, 1.00pm-4.00pm. Gathering for Parish Contact People: Bishop Ray Browne, 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. 28Th & Thurs. Oct. 5Th, 7.00pm-9.30pm.

Contact Ardfert Retreat Centre 0667134276.

**GLÓRACH THEATRE, ABBEYFEALE** Donal Courtey brings his one man play, *God has no Country*to the Glórach Theatre, Abbeyfeale on Thursday, September 28th at 8.30.  The play looks at the extraordinary life of Kerryman, Monsignor Hugh O'Flaherty, who defied the fascists in Rome during World War II.  Booking essential at 0971383940.

**FRANCISCAN FRIARY, KILLARNEY** From September to December the Franciscan Province of Ireland will run a series of free concerts at our Friaries around the country as a thank you to all the people who have supported the work and ministry of the Franciscans both locally and at national level. We are inviting Franciscan hearted people to join us in creating a hope filled world where *“we bring joy where there is sadness, hope where there is despair, faith where there is doubt”.* The concerts will highlight the need to care and nurture all of creation. We have commissioned a new composition of the Canticle of Creation written by St. Francis of Assisi. The Canticle is a hymn of praise that inspired Pope Francis in his second encyclical ‘Laudato si’ which he wrote on June 18, 2015. The composer is Vincent Kennedy and the concert will be performed by Vincent and Marina Cassidy (harp and vocals). The date for the concert in Killarney is… Friday 15th September in Franciscan Friary, Killarney at 7pm.

**POOR CLARE MONASTERY, CORK** Vocations Afternoon, on the 16th Sept, 2-4.30p.m, at the Poor Clare Monastery, College Rd., Cork. May God reward you, and assuring you of our prayers.

**NIGHT CLASSES IN NORTH KERRY COLLEGE**. Enrolment for our Night Classes will take place at the college as follows:

Wednesday, 13th of September 2017, 7-9pm. Monday 18th of September 2017, 7-9pm. Wednesday, 20th of September 7-9pm. Courses to begin the week of Monday, 25th September 2017 Hobby Courses include Introduction to Computers, Social Media, Leaving Cert. Ordinary Level Maths, Conversational Spanish,  Irish Language, Creative Writing, Beginners and Advanced Photography, Tai Chi, Starting your own Business, Create your own Fascinator, Zumba Dance Class. QQI Qualification Courses Supervision In Early Childhood Care, Care of the Older Person Guarding Skills Training Course For further details please call or email the Director of Adult Education on  086 0289958  or

**maria.fitzgerald**@**colaistenariochta**.ie

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Marian Movement Cenacle: Don Laurent Larroque & other priests,  Fri. Sept. 29th, 6.30pm-9.30pm.

Meditation in Movement - Sacred Circle Dance: Bernie McCaffrey, Sat. 30th Sept., 10.00am-1.00pm.

Contact Ardfert Retreat Centre 0667134276

**YOUTH MUSIC MINISTRY WORKSHOP** – Saturday, October 7th 2017 Following the success of last year’s workshop there will be another day for youth music ministers on Saturday, October 7th 2017 at St. Brendan’s College, (The Sem) Killarney, Co. Kerry.  The workshop will be presented by Derek Mahady (Midlands based Liturgical musician) and Aine Murray (Kerry based musician).  More details and application forms to follow.  Registration for the workshop will begin at 10:30am.  Contact Tomás Kenny for more details on tomaskenny@dioceseofkerry.ie or on 086 3683778.

**DAY TRIP TO LISDOON** Sat 23rd Sept. Depart Abbeyfeale 10.15am. Cost: €30. Contact: Marie 0861032436.