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**LISTOWEL PARISH NEWSLETTER**

**Feast of Christ the King**

**26th November 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 Monday to Saturday at 11.30am & there are no Funerals on Sundays. **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 December**

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| Saturday25th  | Andy Sayers, Greenville /Maurice, Annie & Patrick Relihan, Ballylongford / Maurice, Margaret & Michael Purtill, Gortnaminch / Tom, Bridget, William & Sean Thornton, Gortnaminch / Jim & Kitt Harris, Greenville / Mick & Maura McElligott, Asdee /Martin & Mary O Connor, Bunagara / Nora & Paddy Carey, Convent St. & Deceased Family Members /Tommy Sheehan, Ballygologue Pk. /Mary Horan, Ennismore  | **6.15pm****Vigil**  |
| Sunday 26th  | John L O Sullivan, Ennismore & London, 1st Ann. Bill O Sullivan, Coilbee, Birthday Rem. /Angela Lowney, Moyvane & Clonakilty | 9.00am |
| Fr. Hallie Ashe, Listowel, **Months Mind** | **11.30am**  |
| Mon 27th  | Joan Healy nee Reidy & Deceased Members of the Reidy Family, Ballygologue Pk. | 10.30am |
| Tues 28th  | Special Intention | 10.30am |
| Wed. 29th  | Eileen Kelly nee Galvin, Gortcreen & Wicklow, 1st Anniversary | 10.30am |
| Thurs 30th  | Mamie & Ned Joe Galvin, Clounmacon /Patrick Regan, Ballyheigue  | 10.30am |
|  Fri. 1st  | Sheila & Gregory Stack, Rathea & England /Bridie Carmody, Duagh & Geraldine Sheehy, Kilbrittain, Bandon, Cork  | 10.30am |
| **St. Padre Pio & 1st Friday Evening Mass** | 7.00pm |
| Saturday 2nd   |  Pat Fitzgerald, Abbeyfeale & Cork / Nora Leahy, Ballygologue Rd, 1st Ann. / John Joe & Mary McGrath, Woodford | 10.30am |
|  Margaret Lynch, Glin, Limerick /Jimmy Clancy, St. Brendan’s Tce. /Mick McAuliffe, Church St.  | **Vigil****6.15pm** |
| Sunday3rd  | Bunny Dalton, Charles St. /Eugene & Mai O Brien, Cahirdown  | 9.00am |
| ***People of the Parish***  | **11.30am** |

**PRIEST ON DUTY FOR LISTOWEL DEANERY THIS SUNDAY*, 26th November, Fr. McNamara 089-4044816.*** *(emergencies only).*

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

**RECENT DEATHS** Mary Broderick, Bunagara.

Daniel (Dan) Hannon, 23 Ballygologue Park.

Pat Martin, Tieraclea, Tarbert

**ANNIVERSARY REMEMBRANCE** Phil Walsh, Feale Drive & Teresa Dennehy, O’Connell’s Ave. / Tommy Dowd, Dowd’s Rd, Listowel / Kit Rowe nee Moriarty, Chicago.

**CHURCH NOTICES**

 **ADORATION GROUP** Will meet on Monday 27th November at 7pm. in the Parish Meeting room.

**KILLORCRIM ANNUAL GROTTO MASS** Will take place in Killocrim School on Wednesday night next - 29th Nov. at 8pm.

**SCOIL REALTA NA MAIDNE SERVICE OF LIGHT** Will take place on Thursday night next 30th November at 8pm.

**COMMUNION CALLS TO THE SICK & HOUSEBOUND:** Canon Declan will be doing his usual Calls to the Sick & Housebound on Wednesday afternoon next ( 29th Dec. ). The Office will contact the usual people but if anybody new wishes a visit from a priest please contact Parish Office.

**ST**. **PADRE PIO NIGHT & FIRST FRIDAY:** Friday next (Dec. 1st). Usual masses at 10.30am which will be followed by a ‘*Cuppa*’ in the Parish Meeting Room The evening Mass will be the Padre Pio Evening Mass beginning with the Rosary at 6.45 p.m. & Mass at 7pm. followed by the Padre Pio prayers & Benediction.

**CONFESSIONS**: Usual confessions on Thursday and Saturday morning after the 10.30 a.m. mass.

**ANNUAL DIOCESAN YOUTH COLLECTION:** next weekend December 2nd & 3rd . 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.

**ENROLMENT OF OUR CONFIRMATION CANDIDATES FOR 2018:** Will take place at the **Vigil Mass at 6.15pm. on Saturday night next 2nd December**. All candidates and their parents & teachers are asked to attend.

**CHILDREN’S LITURGY GROUP**: takes place next Saturday at our Vigil Mass (2nd Dec.). All children present are welcome to join the Children’s Liturgy Group in the Parish Meeting Room who will help them understand the Word of God and return in time for the Offertory. All are welcome.

**SUNDAY AFTERNOONS DURING ADVENT** Adoration will continue every Sunday throughout Advent from 3 to 6pm.

**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**

**PRESENTATION SECONDARY SCHOOL**“***Orientation Day*** for Presentation Secondary School Listowel is on Friday 8th December 2017 from 9.00am – 3.20pm. For further information please contact the office on 068 21452.”

**PRESENTATION SECONDARY CHRISTMAS CAROL SERVICE** is on the 7th December 7.30pm in the Parish Church”

**DUAGH SPORTS COMPLEX** present*s "****A Christmas Concert****" with Kerry Choral Union @ St. Bridgid’s* National School Hall, Duagh on this Sunday night ( 26th November) @7.30pm. All are welcome!. Tickets €10 each.

**MOYANE CHURCH (RESTORATION)** Concert with The Three Tenors – This Tuesday 28th Nov. @ 8pm. Tickets €25 can be purchased in Listowel Parish Office. Only a few tickets left.

**IRAQI CHRISTMAS DINNER In aid of St. John of God Kerry Services.** On Saturday 2nd December 7pm. to 10pm. at Scribes, Church St. Listowel. Tickets can be got in the Listowel Parish Office, all proceeds will go to St. John of God Kerry Services.

**PRO LIFE WORKSHOP** On "how to win the pro-life argument"

Wednesday November 29th at 7.30 @  Desmond complex, newcastle west (ask for the youth room) Facilitators: Margaret Hickey, Patrick Manning and Michael O’Dwyer.

Phone 087 9058268 Hosted by Family and Life.

**ST. JOHN’S PARISH BAZAAR, TRALEE:** Next weekend - :

December 1ST – 3RD  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.

**THE LATIN MASS** (1962 Missal) will be offered in Holy Cross Dominican Church, Tralee at 1.30pm on Sunday 3 Dec. and Sunday 17 Dec. 2017.

***Check out more notices on the church Notice board***

***and our Web Page www.listowelparish.com***

**NEW POLLINATION PLAN** The first session of the new Pollination Plan to encourage everyone to plant for our  declining Bees & Butterflies, will take place at the Community Orchard on Saturday next at 10.30am. Everyone welcome. For further information call 087 6270033.

**ST.JOSEPHS SECONDARY SCHOOL** Ballybunion parents council are hosting their annual fundraising A CHRISTMAS CELEBRATION in association with Kerry Choral Union with performances by students of St.Josephs on Dec 3rd at 7.30pm in St.Johns church Ballybunion,tickets 10 euro, on sale in the post office and at Cove Youth Cafe on the night,thanks.

**LIXNAW TURKEY TROT 5KM** family fun run takes place on Sunday December 17th at 12pm. Early turkey price registration closes on November 30th. Walkers are also welcome to take part in the event.  This a charity event for Tralee Soup Kitchen, Cycle Against Suicide and the Tina Mcelligott treatment fund.  Please register online at <https://www.iregister.ie/v2/events/lixnaw-turkey-trot/>  or tell your friends about it.

**KERRY CHORAL UNION** presents O Holy Night with Miriam Murphy, Soprano. Sunday 10th December, at 7.30pm. St. John the Baptist Church, Castle Street, Tralee. Musical Director: Sharon Reidy. Accompanist: Ian Sexton.

**LIAM LAWTON CONCERT**, St Marys Cathedral, Killarney Sunday 17th December in Aid of Kilcummin National School. Concert at 7pm -  doors open at 6pm. Tickets available from the following Email - liamlawtontickets@gmail.com  Tom 087 2890630, Ger 086 8287948, Russell 086 2832925.

**TOMMY FLEMING CONCERT,** The Friary Church, Killarney, Thursday 14th December 2017 at 8pm Doors open at 7pm.

Tickets available at Friary Mass Office or on line [www.tommyfleming.com](http://www.tommyfleming.com)

**CHURCH OF THE ASSUMPTION, ABBEYFEALE Jubilee Celebration with Finbar Wright** in the Church of the Assumption, Abbeyfeale on Friday 9th February. Great gift to give for Christmas. Tickets are €30 each or 2 for €50 and can be purchased in Listowel Parish Office.

**FR LIAM LAWTON IN CONCERT** "Newcastle West and District Lions Club present FR LIAM LAWTON in concert (with Desmond College choir) in The Church of the Immaculate Conception, Newcastle West, on Thursday, November 30th.   Doors open @ 7.30; concert @ 8.00.   Proceeds in aid of local charities.   Tickets available from Helen @ 086.9865237 or 069.77086.   Tickets e25.00".

**MEETING FOR RETURNED LAY MISSIONARIES & VOLUNTEERS**: Have you ever worked overseas as a volunteer or lay missionary in Africa, Asia or South America? Would you like to meet up with like-minded people to discuss issues of mutual concern? Join us for our next meeting which takes place on Thursday, Nov 30th at 7.00pm in the John Paul 11 Pastoral Centre, Rock Rd, Killarney.  For more info email jim.farrell@amri.ie or phone/text 083 8422468 to confirm attendance.

**WOULD YOU LIKE TO MAKE A DIFFERENCE???** Your local **Chernobyl Group** is actively seeking new host families for children from Belarus for 2 or 4 weeks summer of 2018.  Info Meeting: Meadowlands Hotel, Tralee Mon 27th November at 7.30 pm. contact:  Bridie – 087 9013784    Theresa – 085 1555029.

**ARDFERT RETREAT CENTRE** Advent Retreat - A Breath of Life: Fr. Louis Hughes, O.P., Fri. 1st to Sun. 3rd Dec. Healing in the Spirit: Fr. Jim McManus, C. Ss.R., 2 Day Healing Retreat: Tues 12th & Wed. 13th Dec., 10.00am - 4.00pm.

Book Now- Contact 066 713 4276

**LISTOWEL FAMILY RESOURCE CENTRE** please support us by donating to our ***annual Jumble Sale Unwanted Gifts***  wanted including     :     DVDs :     Books       Good Quality Children’s Clothes & Toys. Contact Toni on 23584. ***Grandparents Christmas Tea Party*** Listowel Family Resource Centre All Grandparents are invited to attend our Grandparents Tea Party, there will be activities available for them to join in with their Grandchildren, along with excellent refreshments.

Lets start Christmas off with a cup of tea & cheer. ***understanding self-harm seminar*** 7th December, 7 euro from 10am-4pm contact Toni on 23584.

**A MAGICAL CHRISTMAS**. Floral demonstration by Kathleen Reidy at The River island Hotel, Castleisland on Thursday 7th. December at 8.00pm. Supporting The Carers’ Association and Ardfert Retreat Centre.Tickets €5 available at the door. All floral arrangements will be raffled on the night. Your support would be appreciated.