##

***LISTOWEL PARISH NEWSLETTER***

**11th March 2018**

**4th Sunday of Lent**

**Parish Priest: Declan Canon O Connor VF. Parish Office (Mon – Fri 10am – 1pm & 2pm – 5pm) 068-21188**. After hours 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 no funeral 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 at [www.listowelparish.com](http://www.listowelparish.com) and all Diocesan news on: [**www.dioceseofkerry.ie**](http://www.dioceseofkerry.ie)and a live stream of all liturgies on **www.mcnmedia.tv**

 *St. Mary’s Church is*

 *fitted with a loop*

 *system. Please adjust*

 *your hearing aid.*

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**MASSES THIS WEEK 10th March – 18th March**

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| Saturday 10th  | Val O Connor, Greenville, **Months Mind** /Patrick Buckley, Upper William St., **Months Mind** / Tom Walshe, Dublin & Listowel, **Recently Deceased** & John Joseph Walshe, Lower William St. / Noel Woods, London /Michael O Mahony, Woodford, & Deceased Family / Kathleen Whelan, Finuge /Mary & Dick Pierse, Market St. /Helen Nagle nee O Connor, Skehenerin /Con, Elizabeth, Sr. Pius & John Paul O Farrell, Church St. | **6.15pm****Vigil** |
| Sunday 11th  | Pat & Kitt Dowling, Bridge Road / Dick Stokes, Listowel & Mullingar, Birthday Rem.  | 9.00am |
| Michael & Bridget O Carroll, Clieveragh /Josephine & James Allen, Killocrim /Peter & Annie Heaphy, O’Connell’s Ave. | 11.30am |
| Mon 12th  | Private Intention / Special Intention  | 10.30am |
| **Funeral Mass – Teresa O Connor,** Greenville | 11.30am |
| Tues 13th  | Micháel O Sullivan, Clieveragh Downs, Birthday Rem. / Special Intention  | 10.30am |
| Wed 14th  | Mary & Michael Halpin, Ballygologue Pk. & Ian McCarthy, Derrindaffe, Duagh | 10.30am |
| Thurs 15th  | John, Mary & Thomas Dillon, Knockanassig  | 10.30am |
| Fri 16th  |  | 10.30am |
| Catherine Moran nee O Donoghue & John, Nora & Mary O Donoghue, Ballygologue Pk |  **6.15pm** |
|  Saturday 17th  | People of the Parish  | **9.00am** |
| **Lá le Pádraig** – ***Broadcast Live on RTE TV*** | **11.00am** |
|  Bridget & Dan O Connor, Moyvane /Paddy & Jane Barry & Deceased Family Members, Dirha /Noreen O Connor, Bunagara | **Vigil 6.15pm** |
|  Sunday 18th  | People of the Parish | 9.00am |
| Michael Lawlee, Ballygologue Pk, **Months Mind** /Michael & Mary Buckley & Deceased Family Members, Finuge /Bridie Collins, Hawthorn Drive /Elise Collins, Ballygologue Park /Jack, Nora, Paddy & Eileen, McElligott, Coolaclarig / Kitty & Danny Broderick, Gortcreen | 11.30am |

***Priest on duty for Listowel Deanery on this Sunday, 11th***

***Canon Declan, 087-0908949 (emergencies only)***

**ANNIVERSARY REMEMBRANCE**: Mary Wixted, Murroe Co. Limerick, and Listowel / Tony McAuliffe, Charles St. / John L. Sullivan Snr., Ennismore / Tony Hartnett, Killocrim / Dan Joe Leahy, Shrone / Bridget & John Flaherty, Charles St./ Teresa Sullivan nee Lucey, Charles St. & Cardiff, Martin & Dorothy Jordan, Kilkenny \ Charles St.

**RECENT DEATHS**

Kit Guerin, Ballyahadigue / Maud Carmody, Meen /

Michael Barrett, Golf View / &

Teresa O Connor, Greenville. Remains reposing at O’Carroll’s Funeral Home on this Sunday evening from 5.00 p.m. to 7.00 p.m. Arriving at Church at 7.30 p.m. Requiem Mass on this Monday morning at 11.30 a.m. Burial in St. Michael’s Cemetery

**PARISH OFFERTORY COLLECTION:** Our sincere thanks for the Offertory Collection last weekend.

**CHURCH NOTICES**

**DIOCESAN COLLECTION FOR EMIGRANT SERVICES** will be taken up at all masses throughout the Diocese this weekend. For the past 60 years the Irish Church has had a Council for Emigrants. It is estimated that over 30,000 Irish nationals emigrated last year. Services are provided in cities In England and the U.S. and elsewhere. Where our emigrants are in need these services seek to help. Our diocesan collection provides much needed funds for these services. Thank you for your generosity. It will take place immediately after Holy Communion. Thank you.

**MEDJUGORJE MONTHLY PRAYER MEETING** will take place on this Monday at 7.00pm. in the Parish Meeting Room.

**PROGRAMME ON FAMILY:** week 4 Tuesday night in the Parish Meeting Room on Pope Francis ‘***Joy of Love’*** It is being facilitated by *Fr. Sean O. Sheehy*. It is free all are welcome.

**LEGION OF MARY** meet every Wednesday from 8pm***.*** to 9pm. in the parish meeting room. New members welcome.

**PARISH PILGRIMAGE TO POLAND**, The film night ***for people booked*** is on Thursday 22nd March Starting at 7.30pm sharp in the Parish Meeting Room.  Those looking to pay their balance can contact Premier Travel direct on 021-4277700.

**STATIONS OF THE CROSS:** a short presentation will take place on Friday morning after the 10.30 a.m. Mass..

**PRO LIFE:** We bring your attention to this week’s newsletter for **Choose Life 2018**. All issues are also available on our diocesan website at [www.dioceseofkerry](http://www.dioceseofkerry) (*Home Page under Diocesan News*). Please inform yourself on this important issue.

**ST. PATRICK’S DAY**: (***LÁ LE PÁDRAIG***)

Saturday next – March 17th - our National Feast Day. It is a Holy Day of Obligation. Masses are: **Vigil Mass on Friday evening at 6.15 p.m. and on Saturday at 9.00 a.m.** & **11.00am.** There will be a flavour of Gaeilge at all our masses with the Parish Choir and the Parish Folk Group.

**MASS IS AT THE EARLIER TIME OF 11.00 A.M**. on the day to suit the RTÉ schedule as we are being broadcast ***live on RTÉ Television & RTÉ radio simultaneously***. We have been asked to have everybody seated in the church at **10.45 a.m. (*Sharp)*** as everything is timed to a second. There will be a crew of over 20 people involved in the broadcast. Best wishes to all involved.

**COMMUNITY NOTICES**

**ST. PATRICK’S DAY PARADE** Listowel will provide the finish line for thousands of runners taking part in the nationwide race – which happens once every two years – coinciding with Seachtain na Gaeilge. The race begins on the first day of Seachtain na Gaeilge in City Hall, Belfast, and will finish in Listowel on St Patrick’s Day.

**OPEN DAY KILLOCRIM SCHOOL** will take place one Wednesday 14th March from 1-2pm. For Boys & Girls, enrolment forms are available in the School.

**HOSPICE COFFEE MORNING** Saturday 17th March from 10am. – 2pm. at Nora Mulvihill’s House, 31 Church Street. Please come along and support this worthy cause.

**DAFFODIL DAY IS FRIDAY, MARCH 23rd 2018** Funds raised from our Daffodil Day campaign support life-saving cancer research and support and care for people affected by cancer. Many Thanks.

**THE IRISH CANCER SOCIETY** operates a free transport service for patients attending hospital for chemotherapy treatment. Volunteer Drivers pick the patient up at the door of their home, drop them at the hospital door, then when finished treatment, will pick them up and drop them home. Volunteer expenses are paid. Patients wishing to avail of this free service should contact their healthcare professional, visit the Society’s website at irishcancer.ie or contact the Irish Cancer Society for more information on 01 2310 522.

***HAPPY MOTHERS DAY! WE wish all our Mums***

***every blessing this weekend***

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

**ST.JOSEPHS SECONDARY SCHOOL BALLYBUNION** will be holding their annual fundraiser fashion show at the tintean Theatre Ballybunion on Thuirsday night 15th March, cheese n wine reception at 7.30. Tickets 10 euro available on the door on the night.

**THE NCBI SHOP** is in Church Street, Listowel, we would greatly appreciate donations(clothing, household bric a brac, toys, books and small furniture items etc...) and we are recruiting volunteers. If anybody has any spare time to give to the shop, please call in for a chat. NCBI work to support services for 18,500 blind and vision impaired throughout Ireland. Anybody having a post Christmas clear-out, please think of us. Thank you.

**LISTOWEL FAMILY RESOURCE CENTRE *Alzheimer's/Dementia talk*** A talk entitled 'Confidence to Care' will talk place at Listowel Fmily Resource Centre on Tuesday.March 13 from 7.30-9.30pm Participants will learn various coping mechanisms necessary when caring for an older adult with Alzheimer's or other dementia at home. [***Gardening***](https://www.facebook.com/listowel.frc/photos/a.900075183369290.1073741827.900056130037862/1676663672377100/?type=3)Names are currently being taken for a new gardening course encouraging participants to learn how to grow their own vegetables. The course n with Fetac Level 3 certification. Further details from [Bridie Mulvihill](https://www.facebook.com/bridie.mulvihill.7?fref=mentions) on 068 23584.  ***Parents Plus courses*** Available in three different age groups 0-6. 6-11 and teens respectively, Further details available on this six-week course on 068 23584.