##

***LISTOWEL PARISH NEWSLETTER***

**20th May 2018**

**Pentecost Sunday**

**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 19th – 27th May**

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| Saturday 19th  | Kathleen Hussey, Knockroe Drive, **1st Ann**. / Eileen Doyle, Fourhane /Thomas Brassil, Coolagown /Jane & Paddy Barry & Deceased Family, Dirha/ John P. McGrath, Coolaclarig | **6.15pm****Vigil** |
| Sunday 20th  | Peg Boland, Market Street / Mary Anne Murphy, Billerough, & Aine Hennessy, Killocrim, Birthday Remembrance | 9.00am |
| Hannora Brown, Charles St., **Months Mind** /Daniel Allen & Deceased Family, Moyvane & Listowel/Special Intention | 11.30am |
| Mon 21st  |  | 10.30am |
| Tues 22nd  | Special Intention /Eileen McCarthy, Bunagara | 10.30am |
| Wed 23rd  | James, Mike Joe & Con Barrett, Ennismore & Gortnaminch | 10.30am |
| Thurs 24th  |  | 10.30am |
|  Fri. 25th | Michael McElligott, Clieveragh | 10.30am |
|  Saturday 26th  | Annie & Walter Fitzell, Listowel  | 10.30am |
|  Alfe Neville, Bedford /Tim & Patrick Lane, Coolnaleen /Dan Hayes, Bridge Rd. & Deceased Family / John, Lil, Sean & Tom Carmody, & Deceased Family, Clountubrid | Vigil 6.15pm |
| Sunday27th  | ***People of the Parish*** | 9.00am |
| Hannah Murphy, Behins, **Months Mind** /Robert Twomey, Ballahadigue /John M. O’Connor, Market St. & Clieveragh Park  | 11.30am |

***Priest on duty for our area on this Sunday May ,20th***

***Fr. Mce. Brick, 087-947317 (emergencies only)***

**ANNIVERSARY REMEMBRANCE:** Bride O Riordan, Gortacrissane / Rosie Nilhill, Strand Rd., Tralee /

**RECENT DEATHS** **Angela Quinlan,** Tanavalla.

**Fr. Roger Duggan M.S.C.,** Sacred Heart Mission, Cork.

**CHURCH NOTICES**

**DIOCESAN COLLECTION THIS WEEKEND** after Holy Communion for the Annual Collection - Education of our Seminarians & Clergy.

**BISHOP RAY SAYS THANKS TO YOU ALL:**

‘I thank the people and parishes of our diocese for the positive response I received to my Pastoral Message released two weeks ago. I am full of admiration for all who are involved in campaigning for the right to life of the unborn child. Also thanks to everyone for debating and discussing the issue gently, respectfully and sensitively. In recent weeks my thoughts have returned again and again to what “Doctors for Life” are saying. I believe it contains the key to this Referendum: “In every case I am dealing with two patients, the pregnant woman and the unborn child. Both are my patients. I cannot be involved in the death of one of them. Termination of pregnancy is not health care.” If the Referendum is passed the government’s proposed legislation is extreme. I believe it will introduce a system similar to Britain where many claim that 90% of babies aborted are healthy babies. I am voting ‘NO’ next Friday. I encourage, you to do the same. Please pray that the people of our country will choose to vote ‘NO’, thus honouring and defending the life of every unborn child. I conclude with the words of Pope Francis: “*no alleged right to one’s own body can justify a decision to terminate the life of an innocent child growing in the mother’s womb*”. ***Bishop Ray Browne Diocese of Kerry - Pentecost Sunday 2018***

**GROTTO ROSARYS FOR THE MONTH OF MAY** **Killocrim**, 25th May. **Finuge,** every Monday evening at 8pm. **O’Connell’s Ave.,** every Sunday evening at 6pm.

**CORPUS CHRISTI PROCESSION**: will take place after the Vigil Mass on Saturday, 26th May starting at the Church and ending in the grounds of St. Michaels College with Benediction.

**EXAMINATION MASS** will be incorporated into our Vigil Saturday night Mass on the Saturday before the Exams ( June 2nd) 6.15 p.m.

**PARISH CEMETERY MASSES 2018**

St. Michaels Cemetery, Tuesday, June 26th at 8.00 p.m.

St. John Paul 11 Cemetery Wednesday, June 27th at 8.00 p.m.

Finuge Cemetery, Thursday, June 28th at 8.00 p.m.

**ANNUAL PARISH GET TOGETHER**: for all the ministries involved in our Parish: will take place at Listowel Arms Hotel on Friday, 29th June beginning with Mass at 8.00 p.m.. More details later.

**CHOOSE LIFE:**  Again, we bring your attention to the final Issue of the weekly newsletter for **Choose Life 2018**. Some issues are also available at the back of the Church or [www.doceseofkerry.ie](http://www.doceseofkerry.ie)

**ARDFERT RETREAT CENTRE** Guided Holy Hour & Mass - New Feast of Mary Mother of the Church announced by Pope Francis - Celebrant: Fr. Sean Sheehy Ardfert Retreat Centre - Monday May 21st  - 11am to 2pm. **Self Care Day : "**Tools to manage life's every day stressors", Offeringwellness skills that can be readily incorporated into ones life to nourish our physical and emotional well being. Facilitated by Anna O' Donoghue & Betty Garnett , Sat 26th May, 9.45am-4.00pm. Contact Anna 0879447105. **Adoration Diocesan Committee Annual Retreat Day:** Thurs. 31st May, 9.30am-4.00pm. Phone 0667134276.

**COMMUNITY NOTICES**

**BLOOD DONOR CLINIC** Will take place in the Listowel Arms Hotel on Tuesday 22nd & Wednesday 23rd May from 5pm. to 8pm.

**RAS CYCLE RACE** will finish in Market St. Tues. 22nd May between 2 – 4pm. it will come in from Ballybunion, Convent Cross. Traffic restrictions from 1 to 4pm. Also RAS will start Wed. in the Square parking restriction from 8am to 11am. Thank you for you co-operation.

**KERRY COUNTY COUNCIL** is holding a public consultation day regarding the proposed North Kerry Greenway – Listowel to County Bounds (Sluicequarter).  Thursday 24th May 11am. to 8pm. in the Greenville Room, Listowel Arms Hotel. Maps of the route of the proposed greenway will be on display for inspection throughout the day.

**LISTOWEL WRITERS’ WEEK 2018** takes place 30th May to 3rd June. The 5 day festival includes 70 events with 130 writers and performers. Bookings/enquiries can be made at [www.writersweek.ie](http://www.writersweek.ie) or by contacting Máire or Eilish on 21074

**BOOK LAUNCH JOHN MORIARTY** by Mary McGillicuddy, proceeds to Hope Guatemala price €20. To be launched by Gabriel Fitzmaurice on 1st June at 7.30pm. in St. Michael College.

**WOULD YOU LIKE TO JOIN A NEW CHOIR FOR OVER 50'S IN NORTH KERRY**, open to both men and women. Starting Monday May 28th, 1.30 pm to 2.30 pm. Choir Director:   Mary Culloty. Contact Mairead Hanlon on 086 8696341 for further information.

**ST. JOHN’S BALLYBUNION CEMETERY MASS** Will take place on Friday 8th June at 7.30pm.

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

**DAY OF PRAYER FOR LIFE** on Sunday May 20th in St Brendan's Church Curraheen Pentecost Sunday Mass at 11am followed by Adoration from 12 noon to 6pm with Evening Prayer at 5.30

Please join us Fr. Francis Nolan.

**LISTOWEL LIBRARY will host the following events for Writers week 2018:Thursday May 31st: 11.00 AM - 120.30 PM**

**Winners readings from the Pigott Poetry Prize and The Kerry Group Novel of the year. Thursday May 31st 6.00 PM - 7.30 PM**

**Wild Voices Salon Both Free Events All welcome.**

**KDYS LISTOWEL** is looking for volunteers aged 18 years and over to get involved in various projects/programmes. We are looking for people who would like to get involved with Summer Camps, Youth Café Re Launch and various projects.

If you are interested & would like more info please call or text Michelle on (085) 8011172.

**LISTOWEL TOASTMASTERS** Meet new people, gain more confidence and better conversation skills at Listowel Toastmasters. Our last meeting before the summer break is this Thursday, May 24th at 8pm in the Listowel Arms Hotel. All welcome!