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 ***LISTOWEL PARISH NEWSLETTER***

**4th Sunday of Advent**

**23rd December 2018**

 *St. Mary’s Church is*

 *fitted with a loop*

 *system. Please adjust*

 *your hearing aid.*

**MASSES THIS WEEK 23rd – 30th December**

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| Sat.22nd  | Edward Harnett, Hawthorn Drive, **1st Anniversary /** Sean Curtin, St. Brendan’s Tce. /William Gorman, Knockane /Sr. Basil McAuliffe, Church St. /Peter McCarthy Jun. London & Tanavalla | 6.15pmVigil |
| Sun. 23rd   | Maureen & John Joy, Ballygologue Rd. & Dec. Mem. of the Joy & O’Connell Families /James, Nora & Colin Hickey, Convent View & London / Bernadette Stokes & Dec. Family Mullingar  | 9.00am |
| Evelyn Scannell, Dromin, **Months Mind** /Edmund Murphy, Behins  | 11.30am |
| ChristmasEve.Mon 24th  | Patrick, Kathleen & Pasty Stack & Dec. Family, Nell & Jack O Connell, Denis Kelly, Bill Sullivan & Ted Foley, Gortcreen /Joan & Tom Keating, Dirha Cottages, Teresa Healy, Ballyhalla, Richard O Connell, St. Brendan’s Tec., Joanne Fitzgerald & Dell & Sheila Painter, London | 10.30am |
| Maurice & Mary O Connell & Sr. De Lourdes, Grogreen/ Margaret Carmody, Knockroe Dr. /James (Samson) Barry Greenville, Dirha Cottages & New York, Months Mind /Bridie Hassett & Josie Doyle, Bridge Rd. /Kathleen Browne, Waterford / Michael & Pauline Kennedy, Lynwood Pk., Limerick / Laurence, Ellen & Maurice Collins, Kilmorna, Michael, Mary, Eamon & Michael Jun. O’Connor, Patrick St.  | **5.30pm** |
| Robert Humbles, America & Gortcreen, **1st Ann.** / Joe O Connor, Wexford & Dec. Mem. Brassil Family, Behins / Dec. Mem. of Corridan, Fitzgerald & Moriarty Families, Listowel / Michael McDonnell, London & Clare & Dec. Family / Hannah, Joan & Dan Walsh Craughatoosane, John, Ned & Paddy Fealy, Ennismore & Eilie Mai & Daniel Lyons, Ballygarrett / Pat Finucane Duagh, Christina & William Joy & John Foley, Fourhane | **8.00pm** |
| Tues 25th  | Jim & Anne O Sullivan, Charles St. /Sr. Joan Harnett, Pres. Killarney & Duagh | **9.00am** |
| Charlie Chute, Greenville /Jeremiah Lehane, Craughatoosane /Cathy Quilter, Kilflynn /Daniel & Elizabeth Kearney, Moyvane, Kitty & John Barrett, & Dec. Family, Glynn, Hannah Mulvihill Bedford, & Willie, Nellie & Mairead Walsh Pollough | **11.30am** |
| Wed 26th  | Michael McCarron, Gurtinard, Birthday Rem. /Jeremiah & Bridie Broderick, Inch /Thomas Patrick & Joan Walsh, The Square /Edel O Halloran, Church St.  | 10.30am |
| Thurs 27th  | Special Intention | 10.30am |
| Fri. 28th | Tom Moran, Greenville, **1st Anniversary** / Michael O Connor, Springmount, Duagh /Dec. Mem. of the Sweeney Family, Convent St. |  10.30am |
| Sat. 29th | Mollie Nolan, Aviation Drive /John Charlie O Sullivan, Killocrim /Mary & John Joe McGrath, Woodford | 10.30am |
| Fr. Brendan Dalton, Bridge Rd. /Bill O Sullivan & Dec. Family, Coilbee & Dec. Mem. of the Browne Family, St. Brendan’s Tce. / Bridie Sayers, Greenville | Vigil 6.15pm |
| Sun.30th | ***People of the Parish*** | 9.00am |
| Joe Carroll, St. Brendan’s Tce. /James Joy, O’Connell’s Ave. /John O Mahony, Ballygrennan /Tadgh Laide, Ballygologue Pk.  | 11.30am |

***Priest on duty for our Pastoral area on this Sunday 23rd Dec. Fr. Brick 087-9473317 (emergencies only)***

**RECENT DEATHS & FUNERALS:** Please remember in your prayers our recent deaths:

**† Michael O Hanlon,** Greenville.

† **John J. Horgan,** Gortnaminch.

a*nd for all those whose anniversaries occur at this time.*

**ANNIVERSARY REMEMBRANCE:** Jack & Margaret Whelan, Market St. / Sean Curtin, St. Brendan’s Tce.

**OUR NEW LOOK CRIB:** We invite you to come and say a prayer at our Crib here at St. Mary’s Church which has been revamped this year. A special ‘***Thanks’*** to Tom & John O’Connell, *(Woodford),* Maurice Walsh, *Ballygologue Park*, Micheál Kelleher *(painter)* & Jimmy Finucane *(electrician)* who all played their part so fabulously. You’ve done a great job.

**CHRISTMAS OFFERING 2018** which supports your own priests and the priests of the Diocese are due at this time. Many thanks to you who have already dropped in your offering. This is the special white envelopes in your offering Envelope Box or should you not be using the envelope system, there are loose white envelopes at the back of the Church or use any envelope. The Christmas Dues collection will be taken up immediately after Holy Communion throughout the Diocese at all Masses on Christmas Eve and on Christmas Day. Thank you for your continued support and generosity.

**PROPOSED PILGRIMAGE TO THE HOLY LAND FALL 2020:** Following the success of the lovely pilgrimage to Poland last July our Parish Pastoral Council are looking at organising a Pilgrimage to the Holy Land in the **Fall of 2020**. At the moment we just want people to express an interest in this ‘*once in a life time trip’* to see if it would be worthwhile or viable. Please express your interest by giving your name to ***Denise*** *(Parish Secretary) after Christmas*. *More details later*.

**PLEASE NOTE PARISH OFFICE** will be closed for the week and will reopen Wednesday morning 2nd Jan. 2019. Feel free to contact Fr. Declan at our daily masses throughout the Christmas period and is available for all emergencies on the Parish Mobile: ***087-0908949***. ***Thanks***.

**CHRISTMAS MASS SCHEDULE**: ***(Please note the times)***

**Christmas Eve – Monday, Dec. 24th**

**5.30 p.m.** Children’s Vigil Mass with the Parish Folk Group.

**8.**00pm. Mass of the Nativity with Parish Choir they will also be singing carols 7.40pm. before Mass.

**Christmas Day Mass: Tuesday, Dec. 25th**

**9.00 a.m.** Christmas Morning Mass. – Folk Group

**11.30a.m.** Christmas Day Mass with the Parish Choir they will be also be singing carols 11.30a.m. before Mass

**CHURCH NOTICES**

**LAST SUNDAY OF ADVENT ADORATION** from 3 to 6pm. in Adoration Chapel. *All are welcome*!

**ADORATION CHAPEL** Will be closed Christmas week and will reopen Tuesday 1st January.