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**Parish Priest: Declan Canon O Connor VF. Parish Office (Mon – Fri 10am – 1pm & 2pm – 5pm) 068-21188**. After hours emergency 0870908949.**Email:** listowel@dioceseofkerry.ie. *Newsletter notices have to be in by 2.00pm on Thursdays***.** **Funerals** take place Mondays to Saturdays at 11.30am. **Baptisms** take place on Saturdays at 4pm. **Confessions:** Saturdays after 10.30am Mass. Check out our Parish Web Page at [www.listowelparish.com](http://www.listowelparish.com) for a live stream of all Masses. Diocesan news on: [**www.dioceseofkerry.ie**](http://www.dioceseofkerry.ie)

 ***LISTOWEL PARISH NEWSLETTER***

**5th Sunday of Lent**

**7th of April 2019**

 *St. Mary’s Church is*

 *fitted with a loop*

 *system. Please adjust*

 *your hearing aid.*

**MASSES THIS WEEK 7th – 14th April**

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| Sat.6th  | Elizabeth Flaherty, Derry, **Months Mind** / Anthony Curtin, Clounmacon /Betty Gormaly, St. Brendan’s Tce. / Eileen Galvin & John & Mary Brennan, Dirha West /Neilus Galvin, Old Rd., Clieveragh /Jason, Darren & Chloe O Connor, Tarbert /John O Connor, Clieveragh Pk. / Kitty Neville, Bedford & Danny, John & Alfe Neville /Lilian Curtin, Clounmacon | 6.15pmVigil |
| Sun. 7th   | Jim, Anne, Nora & Voureen O Sullivan, Charles St. / Tom & Jenny Carey, Main St.  | 9.00am |
| Edward Carey, Greenville, **Months Mind** / Sheila Ryan & Synan Family, Skehenerin /Lila Stack & Eileen Cotter nee Stack, Charles St. & Glenoe / William Collins, Skehenerin /Ann Dwyer Sheehan, Ballygrennan /Nora O Connor, Co. Clare | 11.30am |
|  Mon 8th  |  | 10.30am |
| **Funeral Mass – Maurice Walsh**  |  |
| Tues 9th  | Special Intention (Devine Guidance) | 10.30am |
| Wed 10th  | Tim & Bridie O Flaherty, Church St. | 10.30am |
| Thurs 11th  | Michael & Hannah Sheehy & Michael Junior, Lyreacrompane / Kevin Senior, Jackie & Gegg Sheehy, Greenville  | 10.30am |
|  Fri. 12th  | Special Intention  |  10.30am |
| ***Stations of the Cross – Led by Youth Group***  |  **7.00pm** |
| Sat. 13th  | **Recently Deceased**  – Fr. Teddy Molyneaux, Woodford & Port Elizabeth, South Africa /Breda Lynch, Killocrim / Joan, Michael & Mick Kelliher, St. Brendan Tce.  | 10.30am |
| Paddy & Lil Flavin, Bedford & Dirha & Nora, Moss & Eamon Flavin, Bedford /Breda O Connor Nee Sugrue, O’Connell’s Ave.  | Vigil 6.15pm |
|  Sun.14th  | Bryan McMahon, Michael Kennelly & Paddy O ‘Connor, Request by St. John’s Theatre  | 9.00am |
| Hannah Patrick Kelly, Woodview, **Month Mind** / Josephine Henry, Upper William St. **Months Mind** / Toddy Sommers, Gurtinard  | 11.30am |

***Priest on duty for our Pastoral area this Sunday 7th April, Fr. Declan O Connor 087-0908949 (emergencies only).***

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

**† Bessie Murphy,** Feale Drive. † **Peter Cronin,** Irrabeg, Lixnaw**.**

**† Maurice Walsh,** Golf View. Reposing in Gleasures, this Sunday 4 to 6pm arriving to the Church at 6.30pm. Requiem Mass Monday 8th at 11.30am. Burial in St. John Paul II Cemetery.

**ANNIVERSARY REMEMBRANCE:** John Sheehy, Clounmacon.

**MEMORIAL MASS FOR FR. TEDDY MOLYNEAUX (RIP):** Recently deceased and late of Woodford & South Africa will take place on ***Saturday morning next April 13th at 10.30 a.m***.

**CHURCH NOTICES**

**MEDJUGORJE MONTHLY PRAYER MEETING**  Monday 8th at 11am. Straight after Morning Mass in the Parish Meeting Room.

**FIRST HOLY COMMUNION**  for our First Holy Communion children and their parents for April will take place Holy Thursday – Mass of the Last Supper 8pm. The parents group for April will meet on Thursday 11th at 6pm. to 6.30pm. in the Presbytery.

**PALM (PASSION) SUNDAY:** is Sunday next April 14th as we begin Holy Week and celebrate the Passion, Death and Resurrection of Our Lord. The blessing of Palms will take place at masses.

**HOLY WEEK CONFESSION FOR OUR PASTORAL AREA**: will take place  **on Monday week 15th April at 8.00 p.m**. All the priests of the Pastoral Area hope to be present and we invite you to do your Easter duty on the night. Thanks.

**STATIONS OF THE CROSS:** Our weekly Stations of the Cross which takes place normally on Friday mornings after Mass during Lent – will be special next week as it will be will be led by our Youth Group. To facilitate as many as possible to attend it will take place on ***Friday evening next - 12th April at 7pm***.

**DIOCESAN CHRISM MASS** is one of the most solemn and important liturgies of the liturgical year. The largest annual gathering of clergy and faithful. The Mass is a celebration of the institution of the priesthood with Jesus' words at the Last Supper, "Do this in memory of me." During the Mass, those present are called to renew their baptismal promises; priests/ministers and deacons also reaffirm their ministry by renewing the promises made at their ordination. Blessing of the [holy oils](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Holy_Oil_%28Christianity%29) used in the sacraments throughout the year, which are then given to priests to take back to their parishes is a sign of each parish's unity with the Bishop and the diocesan Church. Whenever the holy oils are used, the ministry of the bishop who consecrated them is symbolically present. The Chrism Mass will take place on **Tuesday evening April 16th at 7.00pm.** Cathedral, Killarney. There will be refreshments after the Mass in St. Brendan’s College refectory. Everyone is most welcome.

**KERRY DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES 2019** *Led by Bishop Ray Browne*, 29th August to 3rd September. Flights ex Kerry Airport. Further details :Pilgrimage coordinator: Janice O Sullivan, 0647758219.

**COMMUNITY NOTICES**

**ST. JOHN’S THEATRE PRESENTS *Comic Drama – The Cobbles Glory***. Tuesday 9th to Sunday14th April at 8pm.

**LISTOWEL COMMUNITY ACTION ON ALCOHOL HOST** “Opening the Conversation” with Marion Rackard and Dolores Tiernan, Director Talbot Grove Castleisland, on the impact of Parental Alcohol Misuse. Thursday 11th April at 8pm in the Seanchai Listowel

**LISTOWEL CANCER SUPPORT GROUP** Once again we thank you all for your generosity in making Daffodil Day a great success, our Volunteers were so enthusiastic despite the inclement weather. Together we raised €25,960 from areas of North Kerry. Listowel, Ballybunion , Moyvane, Causeway, Ballyduff.

**LISTOWEL TIDY TOWN’S GROUP 2019 ANNUAL CLEAN UP WEEK** Yes it's that time of the year again! Please come along to any of the following meeting points at 7pm each evening and Do your bit for a tidier Listowel Monday April 8th Town Park car park, Tuesday 9th April Car Park across from Cinema, Wednesday April 10th Convent Cross (near car park) Thursday April 11th  Listowel Emmet’s Clubhouse Friday April 12th Carroll's Yard Car Park (Clean up materials will be provided.) We are all responsible for helping to keep Listowel Ireland’s Tidiest Town for 2019!

**LISTOWEL HOSPICE – EAMON CONNOR MEMORIAL WALK/RUN** 10k, 5k. or 3k. in aid of Kerry Hospice on Good Friday April 19t. walk commencing from St. Patrick’s Hall, Listowel. Registration & start Time 10am. sponsor cards available from J.K. Sports, Mary 0872770766 or any committee member. You can also donate on the day when registering. Your generous support would be greatly appreciated. Thank you.

**KERRY PARENTS AND FRIENDS ARE HOLDING THEIR AGM** on Wednesday 10th April in the Parish Meeting Room at 8pm. All are  welcome to attend. We would love to have new members joining our committee. Many thanks to all who have supported our fundraising activities throughout the year.

**EASTER CAMP** Names are being taken for an Easter camp to be held at Listowel Family Resource Centre from April 15th-19th from 9,45am-1.15pm daily. Further details from Patricia Lyons on 068 23584.

Further Notices on our Website at

 [www.listowelparish.com](http://www.listowelparish.com)

**FUNDRAISING VARIETY CONCERT**: to raise money towards getting a Bus for St. John of God Kerry Services. Friday 26th April at the Tinteán Theatre, Ballybunion at 7.30pm. Special prize of €100 on the door ticket. Tickets can be purchased in Listowel Parish Office.

**PARKINSON’S AWARENESS WEEK** 8th April – South Kerry Branch will hold an informal gathering on Monday 8th April from 7pm to 9pm at the Church of the Resurrection Pastoral Centre, Killarney for people living with Parkinson’s and their carers.  A Dietician will be there on the night and it will be an opportunity to have a chat, get some information leaflets and there will be   teas/refreshments available also.

**ARDFERT RETREAT CENTRE Weekly Prayer Meetings:** Led by Ben Perkins, Mondays 8.00pm-9.30pm starts on 29th April. **Overview of the Catechism of the Catholic Church:** Fr. Sean Sheehy, Wednesdays 7.00pm-8.30pm starts on 1st May (for 5 weeks). **Adoration Diocesan Committee Annual Retreat Day:** Thurs. 30th May, 9.30am-4.00pm. **Kerry Clergy Retreat:** Fr. Sylvester O'Flynn, PFM Cap., Sun. 2nd to Thurs. 6th June. **Summer Retreat:** Fr. Philip Baxter, OFM Cap., Rescheduled dates are **Fri. 7th to Thurs.13th June** instead of July 5th-11th. **Bookings:** Phone 0667134276.

**CORK AUTISM CONFERENCE 2019** -  Autism: No Limits, Just Possibilities,  Sunday September 22nd, Silversprings Hotel, Tivoli, Cork. The conference provides a unique forum for Parents, Families, Caregivers, Autistic Adults, Employers, Educators, Professionals, Agencies, Advocates and anyone with an interest in autism. All are welcome. More info here: [**www.bookwhen.com/autismcork**](http://ec2-52-26-194-35.us-west-2.compute.amazonaws.com/x/d?c=3904501&l=5966fd52-c503-4748-a157-1bbdc5fb26b5&r=43ecc856-434a-49ac-b8a4-061081610b2a) or call 089 239 8900