##

 ***LISTOWEL PARISH NEWSLETTER***

**6th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**16th February 2020**

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**Parish Priest: Fr. Declan 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***.** **Booking of Masses** at least 1 weeks’ notice before date. **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)

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**MASSES THIS WEEK 15th – 23rd February**

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|  Sat. 15th  | Sarah Clancy, St. Brendan’s Tce. /Sinead Collins nee Curtin, Feale Dr., Hannie Curtin nee Barry /Peg & John Gunn, O’Connell’s Ave. / Michael Lawlee, Ballygologue Pk. / Masie, Thady, Daniel & Eileen McCarthy, Duagh  | Vigil 6.15pm  |
| Sun.16th  | Catherine Kennelly, Tarbert | 9.00am |
| Teddy Dore, Ballygologue Pk**., Months Mind** / Patrick (Paudeen) Moloney, Woodford, **1st Ann**. & Ellen & Paddy Moloney, Woodford / Jack Nolan, Aviation Dr. / Patrick Buckley, Patrick St.  | 11.30am |
| Mon 17th  | Deceased Members of the Clifford Family / William Harnett, Church St.  | 10.30am |
|  Tues 18th  | Elizabeth Barrett, Golfview, Bir. Rem.  | 10.30am |
| Wed 19th  | Ian McCarthy, Derrindaff, Duagh /John Guiney Junior & Senior, Brendan & Martina Guiney, Charles St. | 10.30am |
| Thurs 20th  | Eoin Kenny, Ballinruddery /Bassil & Edward Brennan, Charles St. & Colbert St. / Peggy Harnett, Ennismore  | 10.30am |
|  Fri. 21st  | Joan Guerin, Convent St. Bir. Rem. /Mickey & Eileen Egan, Coilbee | 10.30am |
| Sat. 22nd  | Pauline Chute, Upper Church St. **1st Ann**. | 10.30am |
| Nell Loughnane, St. Brendan’s Terrance, **Months Mind** /Joan Goggin, Macroom. Cork **Rec. Dec.** / Paddy Roche, Ballybunion Rd. & Johnny Holly, O’Connell’s Ave. /William McMahon, Gurtaglana, Kilmorna / Bridget Canty, O’Connell’s Ave/ Kevin Lucey, Charles St. & Knockroe Dr.  |  Vigil6.15pm |
| Sun.23rd  | Ellen, Nell, Molly, Hannah & Marie Enright, Ballahadigue /Hannah & Joseph Walsh, Church St.  | 9.00am |
| Thomas Hannon, Willowbrook & Phillis Kaye, England, **Rec. Dec**. /Paul Doyle, Tanavalla  | 11.30am |

 ***Priest on duty for our Pastoral area this Sunday 16th Feb.,***

 ***Fr. Kevin McNamara, 0894044816****(emergencies only).*

**FUNERAL ARRANGEMENTS Philomena Devey,** Willowbrook, reposing Gleasures Funeral Home 3 to 5pm this Sunday arriving to the Church for 5.30pm. Requiem Mass Monday at 11.30 burial in Finuge Cemetery.

**RECENT DEATHS** Please remember in your prayers:

**†Michael Sheehy,** Clieveragh Park

**† William (Bill) Hannon,** Ballygologue Park.

**ANNIVERSARY** Peg Keane, Bridge Road / Bridie Walsh, Convent Street.

**CHURCH NOTICES**

**FEBRUARY FIRST HOLY COMMUNION PARISH PROGRAMME**  We welcome our First Holy Communion Children 2020 and their families joining us at our Vigil Mass on this Saturday night.

**MEDJUGORJE PRAYER GROUP** will meet straight after 10.30am Mass Monday 17th in the parish meeting room.

**LSITOWEL PARISH COUNCIL** will meet on Tuesday 18th February at 7pm. in the Presbytery. All members are asked to attend.

**ARDFERT RETREAT CENTRE** Gathering for all Parish Readers, Eucharistic Ministers in the Kerry Diocese, Tues. 18th Feb. 7.30pm-9.30pm at Ardfert Retreat Centre. Guest Speaker: Bishop (Emeritus) Bill Murphy.

**TO SOFTEN THE HEART: FRESH WAYS OF HEARING THE LENTEN GOSPELS** Fr Séamus O’Connell, Professor of Sacred Scripture, Maynooth will explore the Lenten gospels on Saturday, February 29th 10.00 am – 1.00pm in St. Brendan’s Pastoral Centre, Upper Rock Street, Tralee. Suggested offering of €5. Booking and further information from (066)7125932.  Everyone is welcome.

**NEW PARISH BOXES FOR 2020**: will be starting on the first weekend in March. Denise will be at the back of the ***church before and after each mass*** **this weekend** *(15th & 16th Feb)* with the new Parish Boxes. ***You will need your box number as they are in numerical order you cannot pick up your box without it.*** You can also call into the Parish Office from this Monday Feb. 17th onwards, for your parish box. Our Parish Finance Council strongly advise as many as possible to use the envelope system because of the benefits of the tax rebate – so if you have not a box talk directly to Denise.

**COMMUNITY NOTICES**

**ARDFERT RETREAT CENTRE:** Love Yourself, Heal Your Life: Juliana Murphy, Fri 28th Feb. to Sun 1st March. Workshop based on the philosophy of Louise Hay. Contact 0872915343.

Change Your thinking Change Your Life: Juliana Murphy & Anne O' Donnell, 6 week Personal Development Course, starts Tues. 3rd March,  7.30pm-9.00pm. Contact 0872915343. The work of Byron Katie: Clodagh O'Mara, Fri. 6th to Sun. 8th March, Contact 0863741017. The Art of Allowing: Fr. Louis Hughes OP, Sat. 7th March 10am-2pm. Phone:  7134276. A Creative Writing Weekend Retreat: Madge O'Callaghan, Residential  weekend of writing using the AWA method.  Fri. 20th to Sun 22nd March. Contact 0863218848.

**LIAM O’CONNOR SHOW *with Special Guest Brian Kennedy***. At the Church of the Assumption, Moyvane on Tuesday 10th March at 8pm. Tickets €25 each in Listowel Parish Office.

**THE WORKS OF KERRY PLAYWRIGHT, POET AND NOVELIST, JOHN B KEANE** have always held a special place in the heart of Edward Hayden, actor, celebrity chef from Virgin Media’s ‘Ireland AM’ and food lecturer. He will perform extracts from Keane’s works in a once-off night in St John’s Theatre, Listowel, in aid of the Aras Mhuire, Listowel on Saturday February 22.

**LISTOWEL LIBRARY IS HOSTING AN OPEN DAY** on Saturday 29th February. There will be a library tour at 11.00 am and 3.00 pm. Each tour will include a presentation on Online Resources so people should feel free to bring along their devices and we can answer any questions.  Also : every Saturday morning at 11.00 am we have Storytime & crafts for Smallies  - For queries 068-23044

**OPEN EVENING FOR WOMEN** Realising Your Potential *Living Your Own Life Tuesday 18th Feb. @ 8 p.m.* Listowel Family Resource Centre.

**ST. JOHN’S THURS 20th FEB. DRAMA - TAKE OFF YOUR CORNFLAKES** Written by and starring Rose Henderson and Pat Nolan, this play is inspired by Rose’s Dad, Jack, who had Alzheimers and couldn’t remember he had cancer. Tom and Trish have celebrated their Silver Wedding Anniversary but what happens when he wakes up with a strange woman beside him and she tells him she’s his wife? Come for more?? .

***Further Notices on our Web Site***

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

**A MID-TERM CAMP** for children of school going age will take place at Listowel Resource Centre on February 20/21 next. from 9.15am-1.15pm daily. Also. available at the centre is certified paediatric first-aid on Friday February 21&28 respectively from 10am-12 Noon. Spaces are limited, contact (068 23584 for further details or to book your place.

**AS A PARENT, YOU ARE YOUR CHILD’S BEST ADVOCATE**. You know your child’s strengths and challenges, and you can help identify and push for resources your child needs to succeed.

You are invited to come along to the **Listowel Family Resource Centre Thursday 20th February 10am to 12.30pm.** To explore ways to help you advocate for your child at school.  Learn how to start the conversation about supports and services with teachers  Learn how to talk to teachers about your child’s needs  Know what questions to ask  Understand what the law says about inclusive education   Please Contact Toni on 068 – 23584 for further information.