**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](mailto: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) for live streaming and all Diocesan news on: [**www.dioceseofkerry.ie**](http://www.dioceseofkerry.ie)

***LISTOWEL PARISH NEWSLETTER***

**12th September 2021**

**24th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

 *St. Mary’s Church is*

*fitted with a loop*

*system. Please adjust*

*your hearing aid.*

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**MASSES THIS WEEK 12th – 19th September**

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| Saturday  11th | Anne Rahilly, Ballygologue Park, **Months Mind** /  Barty O Driscoll, Tanavalla /  Daniel Wash, Brandon /  Nora Browne, Coolagown /  Dan Broderick, Bunagara /  John Ryan, Skehenerin /  Tony O Callaghan, Cahirdown | **6.15pm**  **Vigil** |
| Sunday  12th | ***People of the Parish*** | 9.00am |
| Catherine (Kitty) Salmon, Cherrytree Drive, **Months Mind** /  Padraig Kelly, Bridge Road /  Brendan Harnett, Killocrim /  Margaret Daly of Knockane | 11.30am |
| Mon 13th | Patsy Stack, Gortcreen /  Ned McGrath, Woodford | 10.30am |
| Tues 14th | Birthday Intention | 10.30am |
| Wed 15th | Kathleen O Donnell nee Griffin, Ennismore, **Months Mind** / Hannah, Pat & Vera Buckley, Gortnaminch | 10.30am |
| Thurs 16th | Mass for fine weather for race week, requested by Listowel Race Company | 10.30am |
| Fri. 17th | John Joe & Peg Conway & dec. Family Ballygologue Rd. | 10.30am |
| Saturday  18th | Margaret Heigan, The Square /  Patsy Stack, Gortcreen /  Dan Joy, Killocrim & Pat & Margaret O Sullivan, Finuge | 10.30am |
| Geraldine Daly, Castleinch /  Bernie O Connell, Cahirdown /  Margaret Barry, Ballygologue Pk./  Mary Roche, Bedford | Vigil  6.15pm |
| Sunday  19th |  | 9.00am |
| ***People of the Parish*** | 11.30am |

**PRIEST ON DUTY**this Sunday, Fr. O’Connor, 087-0908949.

**ANNIVERSARY REMEMBRANCE** Margaret Daly of Knockane

**CHURCH NOTICES**

**PRESENTATION PRIMARY FIRST HOLY COMMUNION** Will take place next Saturday 18th at 2pm. Numbers are limited to attending to the immediate family only, namely, parents and siblings of the child.

**AUTUMN STATION OFFERINGS / DUES**: usually take place during the month of September. This is the yellow envelope in your box which supports your own priests and the priests of the Diocese. There are also some loose yellow envelopes at the back of the church and they can be dropped into the Box at the back or the church or into the Parish Office at any time. You may also pay the online stating that they are the Autumn Offerings. Much appreciate your support and generosity.

**WEEKLY CHURCH OFFERINGS:** We thank you and appreciate you for dropping your Weekly offerings into the Box at the back of the church. You may also pay by cheque payable to Listowel Church. For anyone interested in setting up a standing order our bank details are IBAN IE14 BOFI 9057 8228 9052 58, BIC BOFIIE2D, Account Name – Listowel Church Account. Bank address, Bank of Ireland, The Square, Listowel. Please reference your full name and box number if you have one. *The Parish Office now has credit card machine to facilitate you.*

**SEASON OF CREATION 2021:** We bring to your attention the Season of Creation 2021 Brochure – copies at the back of the church. Cultivating Hope – ‘***Caring for God’s Creatures’*** – Restoring our Common. ***Peace and Integrity of creation Committee***invite you on Thursday 16th of Sept, the Diocese of Kerry Justice, ‘*Restoring Our Common Home… Webinar, Caring for God’s Creatures’* as part of Season of Creation.  To register for this free hour-long webinar please log on to [www.dioceseofkerry.ie](http://www.dioceseofkerry.ie)

**ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT** takes place every Wednesday straight after 10.30am. Mass for an hour unless a funeral takes place on the day there will be no adoration.

**EXTRA READERS**: Our Liturgy Group are currently recruiting some new and extra readers to join us – a special welcome to some of our young people who will be on during November.

**ST. MARY’S CHURCH, LISTOWEL – COVID-19 UPDATE**

**RELIGIOUS CEREMONIES**

As and from September 6th, 2021 all religious ceremonies, including, *WEEKDAY AND SUNDAY MASS, WEDDINGS, FUNERALS, BAPTISMS, FIRST COMMUNION AND CONFIRMATION CEREMONIES* can proceed with 50% of the church capacity, regardless of the immunity status of attendees, subject to appropriate protective measures such as, social distancing, face masks, hand sanitisation etc. Due to the current incidence rate of Covid-19 within the Diocese, the Diocesan Office has recommended the following in relation to Baptisms.

**BAPTISMS** – Continue to keep numbers attending Baptisms limited to immediate family members, (including Godparents and Grandparents).

**FIRST HOLY COMMUNION & CONFIRMATION** – Limit the numbers attending to immediate family only, namely, parents and siblings of the child and in the case of Confirmations, the sponsor of the child.

The Government hope to be in a position to announce the lifting of the majority of the public health restrictions on October 22nd, 2021, subject to the prevailing health advice. It is therefore important that all of the current protective measures continue to be observed so as to ensure that *St. Mary’s Church, Listowel* remains a safe place for people to visit and attend.

The weekly offering or donation can be made by using the designated boxes in the church or by using the online facility or by way of standing order. Further details are available on the Parish website or by contacting the *Denise in the Parish Office on 068 21188* (Monday to Friday 10.00 a.m. to 1.00 p.m. & 2.00 p.m. to 5.00 p.m.) Many thanks for your continued support and generosity. *Fr. Declan & the Parish Pastoral Council September 2nd.*