**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***

**19th September 2021**

**25th 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 19th – 26th September**

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| Saturday  18th | Geraldine Daly, Castleinch /  Bernie O Connell, Cahirdown /  Margaret Barry, Ballygologue Pk./  Mary Roche, Bedford | **6.15pm**  **Vigil** |
| Sunday  19th |  | 9.00am |
| ***People of the Parish*** | 11.30am |
| Mon 20th | Special Intention | 10.30am |
| ***Funeral Mass –* Frank King** | **11.30am** |
| Tues 21st | John Corkery, Lixnaw / Ellen Joy, O’Connell’s Ave. / Special Intention | 10.30am |
| Wed 22nd | Deceased Members of the Listowel Races supporters Club | 10.30am |
| Thurs 23rd |  | 10.30am |
| Fri. 24th |  | 10.30am |
| Saturday  25th | Noreen Lynch, Luchara Rd, 1st Ann. /  Kathleen Walsh, William St., 1st Ann. /  Denis Dalton, Bridge Rd. /  James O Sullivan, Newcastle west & Charles St. / Dick & Sheila Stokes, Cahirdown & December Family | 10.30am |
| John & Margaret McCarthy, Gortcreen | Vigil  6.15pm |
| Sunday  26th | Birthday Intention | 9.00am |
| ***Anne Wixted, 1st Ann. /***  Peggy O Connor, Market St. & Clieveragh Pk. / Elizabeth Barrett, Golf View / Michael McCarron, Gurtinard | 11.30am |

**PRIEST ON DUTY**this Sunday, Fr. O’Sullivan, 087-2461749.

**RECENT DEATHS & FUNERALS**

**Margaret (Peggie) Gannon,** 18 College lawn.

**Jackie McGillicuddy,** William St. & Cahirdown.

**Chloe McCool,** Feale Drive.

**Betty Moriarty nee McGrath,** Moyessa.

**Frank King,** Dromin Green late of Ashbourne, Co. Meath.

**Rose Browne nee Flaherty,** Cornwall, England late of Charles St.

**ANNIVERSARY REMEMBRANCE** Thomas Fitzmaurice, Knockane / Peggy Bunyan, Convent Cross.

**CHURCH NOTICES**

**PARISH OFFICE OPENING HOURS DURING RACE WEEK:**

Please note that we will be opened the usual Parish Office hours on Monday & Tuesday. It will close at lunch time on Wednesday, Thursday & Friday at 1.00 p.m. We wish to extend a ‘*céad mile fáilte’* to all visiting our Town during the Races and wishing God’s Blessing on everyone that all will be safe and as usual we pray that we will be blessed with fine and appropriate weather. *Best of luck and enjoy!*

**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.*

**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.

**KERRY REMEMBERS** those who have died **during Covid Times**, at 9am Sunday morning the 26th Sept, in Our Lady and St Brendan’s Church Tralee. You can **Attend** (church can fit 500), **Listen** on Radio Kerry, or **Watch** the stream.  Visit the church to submit your loved one’s name and date of death for the physical **Memory Tree** or email details to: [horizons@radiokerry.ie](mailto:horizons@radiokerry.ie)

**ARD CHRÚAM & NEW ALZHEIMER’S FUCHSIA CENTRE** wishes to thank everyone who donated and helped out on their recent Flag Day. Amount raised was ***€4,755.00***. Many thanks

**ST. MARY’S CHURCH, LISTOWEL –**

**COVID-19 UPDATE ON 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 COMMUNIONS** – 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 2021***