**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***

**17th October 2021**

**29th 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 10th – 17th October 2021**

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| Saturday  16th | Patrick & Mary Hickey, Banemore /  Ned O Connell, Grogeen /  Austin Stack, Feale Drive /  Patsy Nolan, Ballygrennan & Pat Nolan Kilmorna /  Ann McGuinness, Lauragh, Kenmare | **6.15pm**  **Vigil** |
| Sunday  17th | ***People of the Parish*** | 9.00am |
| Michael & Bridie Flavin & Deceased Families Members, Knockane / John Neville, Woodford /Kevin McElligott, Chicago / Joan Hilliard, Cahirdown /  Betty Kennelly, Ashfield, Greenville /  James Enright, & Dec. Mem. of the Roche & Enright families Drumurrin  Paddy & Bob McElligott, Duagh Village | 11.30am |
| Mon 18th | Special Intention | 10.30am |
| **Funeral – Tim O Sullivan, Bedford** | **11.30am** |
| Tues 19th | Jack Dore, Kilmorna /  Eugene O Connell, Bridge Rd & Rathfarnham, Dublin, **1st Anniversary** | 10.30am |
| Wed 20th |  | 10.30am |
| Thurs 21st | Margaret Snow, St. Brendan’s Tce. /  Special Intention | 10.30am |
| Fri. 22nd | ***People of the Parish*** | 10.30am |
| Saturday  23rd | Buddy Scanlon, Ballygrennan | 10.30am |
| Frank King, Dromin Green & Ashbourne Meath, **Months Mind** /  Eddie Anthony Walsh, Asdee /  Eileen & John O Connell, Woodford /  Dermot Buckley, Bridge Rd. /  Denis Kennelly Colbert St. | Vigil  6.15pm |
| Sunday  24th | Margaret Peggy Enright, The Square & Cahirdown | 9.00am |
| Jeremiah O Driscoll, Hermitage Farm, Listowel, **1st Anniversary** /  John, Delia, Johnny & Teddy Keane, Slievecahill / Mary Sheehy, Gortacrissane | 11.30am |

**PRIEST ON DUTY**this Sunday, Fr. Crean-Lynch 087-6709491.

**RECENT DEATHS** Tim O Sullivan, Bedford.

Tom Corridan, London late of Knockmeal, Duagh.

**ANNIVERSARY REMEMBRANCE** Johnny & Nora Carmody, Meen / Ellen Buckley, Behins.

**CHURCH NOTICES**

**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 until 1.00 p.m*. (lunch time*) Should a funeral takes place on the day there will be no adoration.

**LISTOWEL PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL** Will meet on this Monday 18th October at 7pm. in the Church. All members are asked to attend.

**LISTOWEL LITURGY GROUP** Will meet on Tuesday 19th October at 7pm. in the Church. All members are asked to attend.

**PREPARING FOR THE SYNODAL JOURNEY** On this Sunday ***(October 17th)*** all the dioceses in Ireland begin the Synodal Pathway -which Pope Francis has asked for worldwide. Pope Francis speaks of ‘Synod’ as ‘journeying together’, truly ‘listening to each other’ and ‘together identifying the path along which Christ is leading us’. Bishop Ray invites you to join him for a liturgy of prayer in St Mary’s Cathedral, this Sunday at 3.00 p.m. to commence our journey. Come to the Cathedral or join by streaming via the cathedral website. Pope Francis has chosen the theme “*Communion, Participation and Mission”.*

**AN INVITATION:  LECTIO DIVINA:** An introduction to the reading, reflection and prayer of the Gospels for anyone who seeks a way towards hope, wisdom and faith in day to day life. Presented by Fr Seamus O’Connell on *Learning to pray the scriptures from your life.* 3 Sessions: Mondays 18 Oct & 1st Nov 7.30pm – 9pm (zoom) and Saturday 13 Nov. Tralee and Zoom REGISTER: email [office@stjohns.ie](mailto:office@stjohns.ie) Please put ‘ Lectio Divina’ in Subject line.  Phone 087 6873208. A joint initiative of the Centre for Ministry and Mission (Maynooth), St Brendan's Lectio Divina Group and Tralee APC.

**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 etc.* 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** – Let’s continue to keep numbers attending Baptisms limited to immediate family members, (including Godparents and Grandparents).

***The Government*** hope to be in a position to announce lifting further restrictions on ***Friday next, October 22nd***, subject to the prevailing health advice. Full reopening is now in doubt because of a surge in numbers this week. 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***