**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. *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***

**2nd Sunday of Christmas**

**2nd January 2022**

 *St. Mary’s Church is*

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**MASSES THIS WEEK 2nd – 9th January 2022**

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| Saturday1st Jan  | Rita Davenport, England & Kenny Heights, **1st Anniversary** / Ann Browne, Coolagown | **6.15pm****Vigil** |
| Sunday 2nd  | ***People of the Parish***  | 9.00am |
| Angela Carmody, **1st Ann.** & Maurice (Mossie) Carmody, Skehenerin /Tadhg Laide, Ballygologue Park /Michael O Neill, Ballygologue Road /Mary & Peter Kelly, Tralee | 11.30am |
| Mon 3rd  | Tim Flaherty, Derry / Richard & Margaret Roche, O’Connell’s Ave | 10.30am |
| Tues 4th  | Miriam Carey, Convent Street | 10.30am |
| Wed 5th ***Vigil Mass***  |  | 10.30am |
| Bob Kelly, Dirha East /Teresa Bambury, Gurtaglana, Kilmorna /William & Rory O Connell, Grocreen | 7pm |
| ***Thurs 6th******Epiphany***  | Baby Mark Grace, Kenny Heights /Mathilda, Patrick, Margaret & Johnny Kelly, Billerough / Ned & Denis Brosnan, Bunagara  | 10.30am |
| Fri. 7th  | Mary Purcell, Woodford /Peg Kelly, Kilcara, Duagh  | 10.30am |
| **St. Padre Pio & 1st Friday evening Mass** |  **6.45pm**  |
| Saturday 8th   | Denis, Eileen & Ned Moriarty, William St. / Special Intention /Seamus Buckley & Dec. Family, Patrick St.  | 10.30am |
| Brenda Dineen, Lenamore, Ballylongford, **1st Anniversary** / Geraldine & Baby Helen Daly, Stokers Lawn / John Murphy, Church St. / Paudie Horan, Cherrytree Dr. /Patsy Sullivan, Cahirdown / Bob & John Slemon, Feale Dr. / Dora & Larry Buckley, Tanavalla & Joe Carr Balbriggan / George McEneaney, Gortacrissane | Vigil6.15pm |
| Sunday9th   | ***People of the Parish*** | 9.00am |
| Jim Henigan, **Months Mind** / Christy Sommers, & Dec. Family, Billerough /Nora Keane Moriarty, Luachra Rd. /Peter & Chris Dee, Greenville /Christy O Connor, James Culhane & Patrick Galvin, Listowel & Moyvane / John & Sheila Broderick, Coolnaleen | 11.30am |

**PRIEST ON DUTY**thisSunday, ***Fr. Declan, 087-0908949*** for emergencies only.

***PARISH OFFICE is* closed for Christmas and *will open 10am. Wednesday 5th January 2022.*** Feel free to contact Fr. Declan at our daily masses throughout the Christmas period and is available for all emergencies on the Parish Mobile: ***087-0908949.***

**ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT** takes place every Wednesday straight after 10.30am. Mass until 1.00 p.m*.*  Should a funeral take place on the day it will be cancelled.

**FEAST OF EPIPHANY OF THE LORD:** on Thursday next January 6th It is a Holy Day of Obligation. Masses are as follows: Wednesday evening vigil 7pm. and Thursday morning at 10.30am

 **MÍLE BUÍOCHAS** for your generosity and continued support of your Parish and clergy. Parishioners can continue to make their weekly offering / donations/ Christmas Offerings - by using the designated boxes in the church or through the Parish Office or on-line by standing order. The Christmas Offerings support your priests in the Parish & Diocese. Further details are available on the Parish website, or by contacting the Parish Office on 068 21188 (Office Hours) May God bless and protect us all at this time. ***Fr. Declan***

*Wishing all our Parishioners & Supporters every blessing for 2022*

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

Following the Government announcement made on Friday, December 17th, 2021 there are no changes to the public health measures as they apply to religious services and weddings.

Accordingly, religious services and weddings can proceed without capacity limits and without any time restrictions but with all other protective measures in place and these measures include, sanitising your hands on entering and leaving the church, wearing a face mask or covering while visiting the church and observing the rules of social distancing.

A face mask or covering should be worn by all those aged 9 or over. People who may not be able to wear a face mask or covering for whatever reason or people who may be nervous about returning to Mass can participate in the Mass online at [www.listowelparish.com](http://www.listowelparish.com).

A team of ushers will be on duty for all of our Masses. The ushers are there to assist people attending Mass, to assist in the distribution of Holy Communion, to organise the exit from the church at the end of Mass and to encourage people to comply with the public health protective measures. All of our ushers are volunteers, and we would ask people to co-operate with our ushers. Full details of our Mass schedule, including the Christmas Mass schedule can be found in the parish newsletter available at the back of the church or on our website, [www.listowelparish.com](http://www.listowelparish.com).

As the collection basket will not be passed around due to Covid-19, you may place your weekly and Christmas offerings in the collection boxes at the back of the church and you can also make your offerings either by card through the Parish Office, or by standing order or online. Further details are available on the Parish website, [www.listowelparish.com](http://www.listowelparish.com) or by contacting the Parish Office on 068 21188. We thank you most sincerely for your continuing support of and generosity towards your Parish and clergy.

Given the continued spread of the Omicron variant we would remind all parishioners to follow the public health guidance so as to protect not only themselves but also their family members and those in the wider community. Full details in relation to public health advice, further information and updates can be found on [www.gov.ie](http://www.gov.ie) and [www.hse.ie](http://www.hse.ie).

***Fr. Declan & the Parish Pastoral Council***