**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 Newsletter in by 2.00pm on Thursdays***.** **Funerals** take place on weekdays at 11.30am and no funeral on Sundays. **Baptisms** Saturday’s at 4pm. **Confessions:** every Saturday after 10.30am Mass. Check out our Parish Web Page at [www.listowelparish.com](http://www.listowelparish.com) for live streaming. **Booking of masses have to be booked at least a week of date. Also, the maximum number of names that can be given into one intention is four names.**

***LISTOWEL PARISH NEWSLETTER***

**2nd Sunday of Lent**

**13th March 2022**

 *St. Mary’s Church is*

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**MASSES THIS WEEK 13th – 20th March 2022**

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| Saturday12th  | John Jack Flaherty, Clounmacon / Peter & Annie Heaphy, O’Connell’s Ave. / Mary & Michael Halpin, Ballygologue Pk & Ian McCarthy, Duagh  | **6.15pm****Vigil** |
| Sunday  13th  | Noel Woods, London | 9.00am |
| Paddy Regan, Knockane, **Months Mind** /James & Josephine Allen, Killocrim / Jeremiah (Derry) Lynch, Feale Drive /James & Kathleen Peppard, Clare & Daniel Crangle, London & Dec. Mem Flynn Family, Limerick / Don O Connor, Kanturk /Josephine Henry, William St.  | 11.30am |
| Mon 14th  | Paddy Stack & Teresa O Sullivan, Gortcreen, Bir. Rem. / Dan Joe Hannon, Clieveragh /Mai Grogan & Dec. Mem. of the Grogan & Nolan Families, Charles St. / Shusannah Browne, Cahirdown  | 10.30am |
| Tues 15th  | Patrick O Connor, Dromin Lower, **1st Ann.** | 10.30am |
| Wed 16th  | Special Intention / Thanksgiving Mass  | 10.30am |
| James Flavin, Lenamore & Eamon Sheehy, Duagh / Margaret senior, Brigid & Margaret Junior Stack, Charles St. / Patricia Kelly Woodview  | **Vigil 6.15pm** |
| ***St. Patrick***  ***day*** Thurs 17th  | Robert Purcell, Woodford, Birthday Rem. /Gene & Nora Moriarty Charles Street  | **9.00am** |
| Patrick (Paudeen) Moloney, Birthday Rem. /Patrick (Pat) Blount, Feale Dr. & Meath Bir Rem. / Mairead, Michael, William & Annie Lyons & Deceased Family, Derry /William Walsh, Dirha West  | **11.30am** |
| Fri. 18th  | Dr. Paddy O Shea, Dublin & Church St. **Months Mind** – Burial of Ashes  |  10.30am |
| Saturday 19th  | Tom Barry, Tanavalla, **1st Anniversary**  | 10.30am |
| Dan & Deb Guiney, & Sr. Mary Tarrant, Gurtcreen / Breda Sugrue, Keilduff / Danny & Eileen Hannon, The Square, request by Lartigue Theatre Group / Sr. Pius O Farrell, Church St. | Vigil6.15pm |
|  Sunday20th  | ***People of the Parish*** | 9.00am |
| Paddy & Eileen McElligott, John & Nora McElligott & Billy McElligott, 60th Birthday Remembrance, Coolaclarig  | 11.30am |

**RECENTS DEATHS & FUNERALS**

**Thomas (Tom) Hegarty**, Scartleigh. **Mary Reidy,** Athea**.**

**PRIEST ON DUTY**thisSunday Fr. Carmody, 087-9601549 for emergencies only.

**DIOCESAN COLLECTION FOR EMIGRANT SERVICES** will be taken up at all masses throughout the Diocese this weekend

**ANNIVERSARY REMEMBRANCE** Tony McAuliffe, Charles St. / Margaret Mulvihill, Moyvane / Dan Joe Leahy, Shrone / Patrick Lane, Coolnaleen.

**ST. PATRICK’S DAY**: is Thursday next - our National Feast Day. It is a Holy Day of Obligation. Masses are: Vigil Mass on Wednesday evening at **6.15 p.m**. and on Thursday at **9.00 a.m.** & **11.30am.** There will be a flavour of Gaeilge and our Irish culture at all our masses with the Parish Folk Group and the Parish Choir. Thanks to our local Coiste Glór na nGael and our Liturgy Group for their help with the liturgy of the masses.

**PARISH OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED**: on Thursday next St. Patrick’s Day & also Friday 18th March. Normal office hours Monday 21st

**PARISH BOX ENVELOPES FOR 2022** are in the **Parish Office and can** **only be collected from there**. Please have your number.

**THE IRISH CATHOLIC NEWSPAPER:** We are delighted to announce we have the Irish Catholic on sale again in the Parish Office every Thursday morning €2.50. Keep up with all latest news of what is happening in the Irish Church.

**CONFIRMATION DAY:** Congratulations to the 69 candidates from Scoil Realta na Maidne, Presentation Primary and Killocrim Schools who received their Confirmation on Friday afternoon with Bishop Ray. Well done to their teachers and all involved in the ceremonies. Much appreciated.

**LENTEN TROCAIRE BOXES:** Lent began on Wednesday last. A very practical way to help the Poor of our World is to give your donation to Trocaire which is the Irish Church’s way to help the poor of the Third World Please take a Box at the back of the church and return again during Holy Week. All information about Trocaire are in the leaflet within the envelope.

**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. During the Lenten Season we ask you to continue praying for the people of Ukraine and pray that there may be an end to the conflict.

**POPE FRANCIS’S INVITATION & OUR RESPONSE: REMINDER**: Pope Francis has invited every member of the Church throughout the world to share their experiences, insights and hopes for the Church. Every diocese has been asked to give opportunities for reflection, discussion and feedback in preparation for the Synod of Bishops in 2023. Here in the Diocese of Kerry there is the opportunity to share your thoughts on-line or to participate in person in the next 2 months. For details: [***https://www.dioceseofkerry.ie/Synod***](https://www.dioceseofkerry.ie/Synod)

***Returning to Ministry***

As we gradually return to normality following the pandemic, we are now looking for volunteers who might be willing to help out at our liturgies, especially for the Vigil Mass on Saturday and our Masses on the Sunday. We are looking for Readers, Ministers of the Eucharist, Collectors and Counters. Perhaps you might be interested in singing at Mass and our Choir and Folk Group are always looking for new members. You might be a person looking to return to ministry after an absence. If you are someone who is willing to help in any of these ministries, we would love to hear from you. Please contact Fr. Declan, Helen in the Sacristy, Denise in the Parish Office or any member of the Parish Pastoral Council or Liturgy Group. A sincere thanks to our Ministers for their assistance and continued support of our Parish.

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

**INVITATION TO OUR ALTAR SERVERS**: We invite any boy or girl from 4th, 5th or 6th Classes from our Parish schools or if they regularly attend our Church to join. We really appreciate having our young people being actively involved here in our Church. We ask their parents to get them registered by contacting the relevant teacher at their school or contact the Parish Office directly for a form to get registered. Thank you.

**ST JOHN'S THEATRE** Laois based folk singer, Emer Dunne, and musicians on Friday March 25th.  There will also be some great local talent on the night.