**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***

**21st Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**21st August 2022**

 *St. Mary’s Church is*

 *fitted with a loop*

 *system. Please adjust*

 *your hearing aids.*

**MASSES THIS WEEK 21st – 28th August 2022**

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| Sat 20th | Mary Brassil, Coolagown, **Months Mind** / Hannah O Sullivan, Finuge**, Months Mind** / Betty Griffin, Ballygologue Pk. / Kay McAuliffe Boylan, Listowel & Limerick, Bir. Rem. / Dora Buckley, Tanavalla, Bir. Rem. / Carmel Walsh, Clieveragh Park  | Vigil6.00pm |
| Sun 21st | Dermott Kennelly, Tarbert | 9.00am |
| Pat Halpin Ballygologue Pk. /Robert Twomey, Ballahadigue /Sean Thornton, Clieveragh /Mary O Sullivan, Castleisland, **Rec. Dec.**  | 11.30am |
| Mon 22nd | Special Intention / Margaret (Peg) O’Connor, Ballygologue Rd / Michael Collins, Centenary Anniversary / Special Intention for someone seriously ill  | 10.30am |
| Tues 23rd | Martin O Sullivan, Clare & John Grinsell, Tipperary | 10.30am |
| Wed 24th | Michael & Mary O Keeffe, Moyessa / Michael Kelly, Lyre & Special Intention  | 10.30am |
| Thurs 25th | Steven Foran, Listowel /Carmel Lynch, Billerough, Bir. Rem. / Grace McMahon, Mary McMahon Kelly & dec. family, Cahirdown  | 10.30am |
| Fri 26th | Jack Brennan, Kilcara Nursing Home & Colbert St. **1st Anniversary**  | 10.30am |
| Sat 27th | Michael Hennessy, Billerough, **Months Mind**  | 10.30am |
| Batty Hannon, Cois Baile, **Months Mind**/ Margaret & Mikie Kennelly & Hannah Kennelly, Coolaclarig / David Trant, Behins / Kay O Connor, Craughatoosane / Denis Stack, Clieveragh  | Vigil6.15pm |
| Sun 28th | ***People of the Parish*** | 9.00am |
| Edward Carmody & Mary & Jack, Knockaure / Sheila Laide, Ballygologue Pk / John Joe & Mary Hartnett & Dec. Family, Clieveragh  | 11.30am |

**ANNIVERSARY REMEMBRANCE** Pat O Leary, The Island / Patrick Buckley, Behins / Joe & Margaret O Sullivan, Tanavalla / Paddy Fealey & dec. family, Coolaclarig / Eileen Cambridge nee Sweeney, O’Connell’s Ave – Cork, 1st Anniversary / Thomas Linnane, Gortacrissane / Mary O Keeffe, Moyessa / Brian O Connor, Clieveragh / Margaret (Peg) O’Connor, Ballygologue Rd /Steven Foran, Listowel.

**PRIEST ON DUTY**thisSunday Fr. O’Sullivan, 087-2461749 for emergencies only.

**WE WELCOME FR. TIM GALVIN THIS WEEKEND WITH MISSION APPEAL FOR THE SOCIETY OF ST. PATRICKS’S MISSIONARY SOCIETY (KILTEGAN FATHERS)** The Diocese of Kerry gives permission to one religious congregation each year to promote their Mission. This year it is the ***Kiltegan Fathers*** and it is taking place here in ***Listowel*** this weekend. We welcome our local man ***Fr. Tim Galvin*** who is at home on holidays making the appeal on their behalf. The Kiltegan Fathers were founded on St. Patrick’s Day 1932, by Fr. Patrick Whitney, a priest from the Diocese of Ardagh and Clonmacmacnois. Since then, many Kiltegan priests, together with volunteer priests and; lay people from different Irish Dioceses, including Kerry have worked in Nigeria, and later in Kenya, Central and South Africa, Brazil and the West Indies. Today there are 223 Kiltegan priests of whom 40 are African. They have 58 students in Africa preparing for priesthood. The seed sown by the Irish Church has grown in surprising ways. Fr. Tim will ask for your continued support for the Society’s missionary works, through enrolling in their Missionary Circle, subscribing to the ‘Africa’ magazine or supporting other initiatives. Thanks.

**TO AVOID THE DISAPPOINTMENT** All mass intentions, have to be booked from now on at least a week in advance, to be included in the Newsletter. Also, with more intentions happening each day the maximum number of names that can be given into one intention is four names. Thanks for your co-operation.

***THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK***

“***We need to act courageously. We do not have time to wait. We are at the edge with climate change and the time to take action is now. We must care for nature so that nature may care for us.”*** ~ ***Pope Francis***

The big story last week was the heatwave - soaring temperatures even here in Kerry - Heatwaves in the UK with temperatures reaching over 40C, more heatwaves all across Europe and how scientists point to the cause directly linked to ***climate change***. It was a big story at the time - but now that we are back to some cooler and wetter weather we quickly forget how serious the situation is. It’s a story that will not go away because of ***climate change***. Trocaire chillingly reminds us that today a child dies every 48 seconds due to the impact of drought and climate change in our world. Currently Kenya, Somalia and Ethiopia are experiencing extreme droughts because of a lack of rain. People experiencing hunger in these countries have risen from 10 million to more than 23 million. When you add in regional conflicts and soaring food prices because of the war in Ukraine you can see how serious the situation is. For many people in poor countries it is simply a battle to survive. But the evidence brings it even closer to home as we heard throughout this August, that 44% of the European Union face a threat of drought going forward. We also heard how emissions in Ireland have increased by 6% in 2021 after a drop in 2020. This story is not going away. We all must play a part and do something no matter how small. The Africans have a wise saying: “*If you think you’re too small to make a difference, try spending the night with a mosquito*.” If there is any lesson to learn from all the heatwave stories of the week just gone, the message is that we all must play our part to find a solution. Pope Francis puts it well:

“***We need to act courageously and we need to act now.”***

**Rose of Tralee Festival**

  **Wishing all the**

**best to our local girl**

**Kerry Rose**

**Édaein O’Connell**