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**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 Newsletter in by 2.00pm on Thursdays***.** **Funerals** take place on weekdays at 11.30am. **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.

***LISTOWEL PARISH NEWSLETTER***

**4th Sunday of Lent 19th March 2023**

**MASSES THIS WEEK 19th – 26th March**

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| Sat 18th | Tom Barry, Tanavalla | Vigil 6.15pm |
| Sun  19th | Gene & Nora Moriarty, Charles Street /  Dan & Deb Guiney, Gortcreen | 9.00am |
| Brendan Leahy, Clounmacon, **1st Ann**. /  PV O Keeffe, **1st Ann**. & Anne O Keeffe, Ballygologue Road / Paddy, Eileen, Jack & Nora McElligott, Coolaclarig /  Willie Walsh, Dirha West | 11.30am |
| Mon 20th | Bill McElligott, Coolaclarig, Birthday Rem. | 10.30am |
| Tues 21st | Anthony Greaney, Ballygologue Park | 10.30am |
| Wed  22nd | Noreen Keese nee Holyoake, America & Lartigue View, **1st Anniversary** /  Monica Corridan nee Chute, Convent St. | 10.30am |
| Thurs 23rd | Joe Hannon, Charles St. /  Tadgh & Betty Hickey, Cloncagh, Limerick /  Fr. Teddy Molyneaux, Woodford | 10.30am |
| Fri 24th | Nora Flannery, Borriskeane **recently deceased**  Liam, Frances & Richard Wolfe, William Street | 10.30am |
| ***Presentation Primary Confirmation*** | ***2.00pm*** |
| Sat. 25th | ***People of the Parish*** | 10.30am |
| Mary Scully, O’Connell’s Ave., **Months Mind** / Jim Quinlan, Aviation Drive /  Paddy Lynch, Dirha Cottage | Vigil 6.15pm |
| Sun  26th | Michael & Elizabeth Quille, Woodford | 9.00am |
| Kathleen O Sullivan, Old Rd., Clieveragh, **1st Anniversary** /  Dan Lynch, Hollytree Drive, Anniversary & Birthday Remembrance /  Michael, Mairead, William & Annie Lyons, Derry & dec. family /  Stephen T. Stack, Cahirdown Wood & Dromin Lower | 11.30am |

**RECENT DEATHS: Martina Grimes**, Clieveragh.

**Nora Kissane nee Buckley,** Lacca, Lisselton late of Knockane.

**ANNIVERSARY REMEMBRANCE** Paddy Halpin, Greenville / Helen Kennelly, Market St. / David Bunyan Senior & Maureen & Josephine Lambert / Joe Hilliard, Cahirdown / Margaret Mulvihill, Moyvane.

**PRIEST ON DUTY*****this Sunday Fr. O’Mahony, 087-6807197.***

**CHURCH NOTICES**

**INVITATION TO JOIN Diocese of Kerry Online Lenten Talk – *Who Is My Neighbour?*** *Bishop Ray has invited you to register and join this on-line Lenten Talk taking place on* ***Tuesday next March 21st at 8.00 p.m****.* For further details and to register for the link  [www.dioceseofkerry.ie](http://www.dioceseofkerry.ie)

**PARISH FINANCE COUNCIL**: There is a meeting of our Parish Finance Council taking place on ***Tuesday next, 21st March at 8.00 p.m.*** in the Presbytery. All members are asked to attend.

**CONFIRMATION - PRESENTATION PRIMARY CANDIDATES**:

We are delighted to welcome the Confirmation candidates of the Presentation Primary who will be confirmed on

***Friday next, March 24th at St. Mary’s Church at 2.00 p.m.*** All candidates and their family members are asked to be seated at 1.45 p.m. This is the first of two parish confirmation ceremonies taking place this year. The other schools candidate will be confirmed on Friday, April 21st. Fr. Declan will be the celebrant on Friday next and Bishop Ray will be celebrant on Friday, April 21st.

**TROCAIRE BOXES:** are available in our church for Lent. Please pick up a Box and return during Holy Week.

**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.

**STATIONS OF THE CROSS** will take place next Friday 24th March straight after 10:30am. Mass.

**PARISH BOX ENVELOPES 2023** If you haven’t pick up your box it is now ***at the back of the church*.** Please make sure you pick up the correct box as ***your name, address and box number are on the box or*** payment can be made by electronic bank transfer to Account: Listowel Church IBAN: IE14BOFI90578228905258, reference you name or box number***.*** If you do not have a box as yet, please contact the Parish Office.

**Diocesan Vacancies** **The Diocese of Kerry**invites applications from suitably qualified persons for the role of Pastoral Development Worker on the Diocesan Pastoral Team. **Closing Date for applications is March 24th, 2023. For further information, check out** [www.dioceseofkerry.ie](http://www.dioceseofkerry.ie)

**The Annual Consecration to Our Blessed Lady** will be held on Sunday 26th March at 3 p.m. in the Church of the Prince of Peace, Fossa. Welcome is extended to everyone to come and place your trust in the Mother of God for ourselves, our families and our country. The consecration is organised by the Legion of Mary and concludes with Benediction.

**Diocesan Eucharistic Adoration Retreat** will take place on the 27th of April 2023 at The Church of the Resurrection Killarney. Presented by Fr. Jim Lenihan. See poster for details. Your support will be very much appreciated: To book contact : Maureen at 087 9514352 Margaret at 0872976304. National Eucharistic Adoration Pilgrimage to Knock this year takes place on the week 22nd and 23rd of April.

**Youth 2000 Retreat in Killarney** The Munster Youth 2000 retreat takes place in St. Brendan's College, Killarney from the 24th - 26th March. Everyone aged 16 - 35 is most welcome to attend for all or part of the weekend. See [www.youth2000.ie](http://www.youth2000.ie)

**Dates for Medjugorje** Invitation to join us on pilgrimage to Medjugorje. May 17th to May 24th. with Fr Pat o Donoghue and Fr Alfred Osamor. June 21st to June 28th Fr Danny Broderick and Fr Joe Begley. September 13th to September 21st. with Fr Brian Boyle. All Cork with Aer Lingus. Contact Tom Dennehy 0876468658.

**Recovery Haven Kerry** (Cancer Support House) have a new 6 week online Cancer Thriving and Surviving course beginning Tuesday the 25th of April at 10.30am-1pm. (Intro session 18th April). Please ring reception 066 7192122.

﻿**Daffodil Day 2023** Take back from cancer this Daffodil Day, 24 March! After a three year break due to Covid, our dedicated volunteers will be back on the streets of Listowel next Friday 24th! Your contribution enables continued cancer research and provides support and services for patients and their loved ones through their diagnosis. The exceptional support from the community is greatly appreciated and truly valued.

**MOTHERS DAY PRAYER**

Dear Lord, I approach you to give thanks to all mothers who so generously and freely give love, comfort, and guidance to their children every day. I ask you, Lord, to give them strength to carry on doing their work. Give them patience and let them see that they are loved, appreciated, and respected. I thank you for the sacrifice each mother makes every day.

And I pray you to bless them and touch them with your Grace.

I pray this in your mighty name. Amen