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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. Check out our Parish Web Page at [www.listowelparish.com](http://www.listowelparish.com) for live streaming.

***LISTOWEL PARISH NEWSLETTER***

**3rd Sunday of Easter 23rd April 2023**

**MASSES THIS WEEK 23rd – 30th April**

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| Sat 22nd | Catherine (Josie) Kelly, Woodview, **Months Mind** / Patrick Heffernan, **1st Anniversary** & deceased family members, Woodford /  Angela Kearney, Cahirdown & Moyvane /  Laurance & Ellen Collins, Kilmorna /  Oliver, Kevin, Robert, Tommy, Sojya & Baby Ryamond Broderick, William St. /  Christy Stack, Greenville | Vigil  6.15pm |
| Sun  23rd | Michael & Mollie Kissane, Clountubrid /  Joseph & Hannah Wash, Church St. | 9.00am |
| Margaret Barrett nee Lyons, Clieveragh & Ballygologue Park, **Months Mind** /  Kathleen & Mick O Sullivan, Derry | 11.30am |
| Mon 24th | Nora Brennan nee Barry, England & O’Connell’s Ave. / Robert Purcell, Woodford | 10.30am |
| Tues 25th | Bill, Peggy & Fintan McGrath, William St. /  Bridie O Sullivan, Ennismore & Tralee | 10.30am |
| Wed 26th | Hannah & Ned O Neill, Bridge Rd /  Sue & Tracey O Neill, London & Nora & Jack Foley & Josie & Jerry O Carroll, England /  Berkie Browne Senior, William St., Birthday Remembrance | 10.30am |
| Thurs 27th | Nora Curtin, Chicago, Tralee & Ballybunion /  Sinead Halket, Bedford | 10.30am |
| Fri 28th | Maire Fealey, Courthouse Rd. /  Johnny Griffin, Ballygologue Rd. | 10.30am |
| Sat. 29th | ***1st Holy Communion: Gaelscoil Lios* *Tuathail & Scoil Réalta na Maidine*** | **10.00am** |
| ***1st Holy Communion:***  ***Killocrim & Presentation Primary*** | **12.00pm** |
| Margaret Fletcher nee Sheahan, Killarney & William St. **Months Mind** / Niall Stack, Tralee Rd, **1st Anniversary** / Batt Maher, Drombeg / Anne Nancy O Sullivan, Killocrim / Margaret Broderick, Inch East / Mary B., Joe, Maire & Gerald Kennelly, Ballydonoghue / Betty Clancy, St. Brendan’s Tce. / Noreen & John Patrick Donegan, Ballygologue Pk. / Tim, Hannie & Patrick Buckley, Knockane | 6.15pm  Vigil |
| Sun  30th | Joe Flavin, Knockane & Cork | 9.00am |
| Tom O Connor, Ardmore, Tarbert, **Months Mind** & Michael O Connor / Murt Faley, Ballinruddery | 11.30am |

**PRIEST ON DUTY*****this Sunday Fr. Hanafin, 0878341083***

**RECENT DEATHS:**  **Joan Landers nee Dore**, Cahirdown.

**ANNIVERSARY REMEMBRANCES** John Joe & Joan Mulvihill, Meath & Moyvane / Richard Carey, Ballygologue Rd. / Catherine & James Sheehan, Carrueragh, Kilmorna / Maureen O Connor, Church St. / Bridie Dowd, Dowds Rd.

**CHURCH NOTICES**

**ANNUAL DIOCESAN COLLECTION FOR PETER’SPENCE IS this WEEKEND:** 22nd & 23rd April. This worldwide collection is taken up in each church in the Christian world and the money is distributed by our Holy Father, Pope Francis to the many needy charities that apply for help. Many Thanks.

***PLEASE NOTE*** There will be no 10.30 a.m. morning mass next Saturday given that we have the First Holy Communion masses.

**PARISH FIRST HOLY COMMUNION DAY 2023:** takes place on ***Saturday next, April 29th*** in two ceremonies.

**First Ceremony:**

10.00 a.m. An Gael Scoil & Scoil Realta na Maidne

**Second Ceremony:**

12.00 noon Presentation Primary & Killocrim School.

**CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR CONFIRMATION CANDIDATES:**

who were confirmed on Friday last with Bishop Ray. 16 candidates from Nano Nagle, 20 from An Gael Scoil and 22 from Scoil Realta na Maidne became full members of our parish. Well to the candidates, their teachers and all involved.

**Last week for TRÓCAIRE OFFERING** For those who haven’t yet returned please do so as we are sending to the diocese next week

**PARISH SOCIAL GATHERING DATE IS CHANGED** Please note the date has changed to ***Thursday 18th May in Listowel Arms Hotel at 7.30pm.*** All volunteers involved in our Parish, the various committees, all the ministers such as eucharistic ministers, readers, collectors, counters, cleaners, Folk group & choir members etc are most welcome. Please contact your group organisers by Monday 8th May if attending.

**IRISH CATHOLIC NEWSPAPER*:*** is available each Thursday morning at the back of the church. *Please note*: the Irish catholic newspaper price increase ***€3.00***.

**Synod 2021-2024 For a Synodal Church: communion, participation and mission**In October 2021 the Catholic Church's synodal process on the theme of synodality began. This was the first time that a worldwide listening process and consultation with parishes and dioceses was attempted and many people in Ireland took part in a listening process during the early months of 2022. Did you take part? Have you been wondering what happened after that? Much has happened since then. Your participation formed part of our national document that was sent to the Synod office in Rome in August 2022. It also formed part of a global document called Enlarge the Space of Your Tent, which was published last October, and then formed part of a presentation given by the Irish delegation that travelled to Prague this February for the first ever Continental Assembly of the Catholic Church's synodal process. Please visit [www.synod.ie/2023update](http://www.synod.ie/2023update) to find out more.

**Diocesan Eucharistic Adoration retreat**27th of April 2023 at The Church of the Resurrection, Killarney with Registration @ 10.00am. Presented by Fr. Jim Lenihan. Bishop Ray will conclude the Retreat with the celebration of Holy Mass @ 3.00pm. Lunch will be served. Registration fee €30. To book contact: Maureen at 087 9514352 Margaret at 0872976304.

**Accord Counselling Services** ACCORD Central Office is recruiting qualified, experienced counsellors for the Certificate in Counselling (Marriage and Relationship) training programme commencing in September 2023.  Training will take place in Maynooth and the course is validated by the Pontifical University, Maynooth.  Accord CLG pays the fees for the course and provides placement. For further information se the diocese of Kerry or the Accord websites. Applications close on the 19th of May.

**COPING WITH BEING ALONE PRESENTED BY ALONE** IRELAND Creating awareness and sources of support for people who need it. Alone Ireland national survey of 2022 revealed that 1 in 10 people had not been out socially last year. The presenters and a technician from Alone Ireland show how modern technology can help older people who are uncomfortable with technology, demonstrating how to use a mobile phone, a range of user-friendly Apps, safety alarm, aids such as ‘Alexa’ and how to utilise it for so many uses.  Activity Sessions for Senior adults, (Men & Women) 11.00 am -12 noon. Social chat over tea /coffee & biscuits continues on Tuesday April 25, & May 2 & 9 Everyone welcome.   Venue; Dr Crokes Clubhouse, Upper Lewis Rd, Killarney. Eircode V93K585 Open to everyone.