***LISTOWEL PARISH NEWSLETTER***

**18th Sunday in Ordinary Time 6th August 2023**

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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.

**MASSES THIS WEEK 6th – 13th**

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| Sat 5th | Eileen, Connie & Paddy Leahy, Ballygologue Pk. /  Dan (Charlie) O’Brien, Ballahadigue /  Lily Hennessy, Killocrim /  Margaret Kirby, Charles St. /  Tom & Theresa Flynn & Siss Sommers, Dromerin | Vigil  6.15pm |
| Sun 6th | ***People of the Parish*** | 9.00am |
|  | 11.30am |
| Mon 7th | Nora Enright, Luchara Rd. & Ballylongford, **1st Anniversary** | 10.30am |
| **Funeral Mass** – Brenda Sexton | **11.30am** |
| Tues 8th | Anne Rahilly, Ballygologue Park | 10.30am |
| Wed 9th | Noreen McNamara, Asdee &  Tommy Mahony, England | 10.30am |
| Thurs 10th | Noreen (Nora Mary) Fenton nee Broderick, Kildare late of William St. **Recently Deceased Burial of Ashes in St. Michael’s Cemetery** / Pats Carmody, Meen /  Bill O Sullivan Coilbee /  Nancy & Tom O Connor, Shrone | 10.30am |
| Fri 11th | Voureen Henigan, Dublin late of The Square /  Michael & Margaret Quilter, Ballyduff | 10.30am |
| Sat. 12th | Ita & William Keane, Church St. /  Bridie & Johnny O Riordan, Gortacrissane & Eilzabeth O Riordan, Kanturk | 10.30am |
| Danny Hannon, The Square, Bir. Rem. / Laurance & Ellen Collins, Kilmorna /  Tommy & Annie O Connor, Asdee | **Vigil**  **6.00pm** |
| Sun 13th | ***People of the Parish*** | 9.00am |
| Jackie Duggan, Philadelphia, **Rec. Dec**. /  Mary Leahy nee Scanlon, Dirha Cottages & London, **1st Ann.** / Michael Carmody, Ballyduhig | 11.30am |

**RECENT DEATHS & FUNERALS**

**Paddy O Donnell,** Knockane.

**Brenda Sexton,** William St. Funeral Mass Monday 7th at 11:30am. Burial in St. John Paul II Cemetery.

**Jackie Duggan,** Philadelphia(daughter of Maire Power, Clieveragh).

**Noreen (Nora Mary) Fenton nee Broderick**, Stramillian, Monasterevin, Kildare & William St.

**ANNIVERSARY REMEMBRANCE** Pat O Leary, The Island / Assumpta Scanlon Leahy, Dirha & London / Bridie Flaherty, Charles St. / John & Hannah O Brien, Cahirdown.

**PRIEST ON DUTY**this Sunday, Fr. Hanafin 087-8341083.

**CHURCH NOTICES**

**KERRY DIOCESAN COLLECTION – DIOCESAN PASTORAL CENTRE KILLARNEY** will be taken up at all Masses this weekend after communion.

**parish office closed** this Monday 7th August bank holiday normal office hours Tuesday 8th.

**Adoration of the Blessed SACRAMENT:** Tuesday’s 11am. to 8pm. in the ***Adoration Room.* Anyone visiting and staying for an hour or two can you please sign the visiting book while there.**

**Please note** the ***Vigil Mass next weekend on Saturday 12th will take place on the earlier time of 6pm.*** The Revival Music Festival taken place in the Square.

**ORDINATION** to the priesthood of Rev. Mark Moriarty will take place on next Sunday the 13th of August in St. Mary’s Cathedral, Killarney 3pm. May God be with him on this joyous occasion. “*Bless are all who put their trust in Him” … Psalm 2:12*

**LISTOWEL BUS TO KNOCK 26TH AUGUST** There are 3 seats available, contact the parish office 068-21188 if interested.

**JUST A THOUGHT**

***‘For where your treasure is, there will your heart be also.’ ~ Matthew 6:21***

There are different meanings to the word treasure. It can mean wealth such as money, jewels or precious metals like gold all stored up and hoarded away. It can also mean something of great worth or value or someone who is rare and precious. Jesus used both meanings to get across an important message. He says there is little to be gained by storing up lots of treasure in the form of money and wealth. Trying to mind it brings worry and stress and it is well known that lots of money does not guarantee happiness. Instead, Jesus reminds us that real treasure is to be found within. We have a most beautiful line that Jesus shared: “For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.” When a person is full of kindness, love, generosity and shares lots of blessings they are such a treasure.  And we know it too. We sometimes say of a person: “They are such a treasure.” What a beautiful complement. Jesus was a man full of wisdom. He knew so well that many people were searching in the wrong place for happiness. Getting rich and wealthy is no guarantee of happiness. So many still search in the wrong place for happiness today. The key message is that real treasure is to be found within. Can you go within to find your treasure? Can you begin to believe in your goodness, in your kindness, in your love and in the beautiful difference you make to our world each day? Because if you can, you have found real treasure!

***James McSweeney***

**COMMUNITY NOTICES**

**LISTOWEL TIDY TOWNS** wishes to thank every who contributed and helped with their recent church gate collection. Amount raised was €1,010.90.

**THREE GREAT NIGHTS OF MUSIC AND ENTERTAINMENT FOR ALL** **IN DUAGH-SPORT COMPLEX** - from Fri 18th Aug to Sun 20th Aug 2023. Fri 18th Michael English and his band €30. Sat 19th ABBA-esque €22. Sun 20th Trudi Lalor and the Matrimony Band with Paddy O'Brien and TR Dallas €25. You can also get a weekend pass for €65, fantastic value. Full Bar Facilities as well as numerous Spot Prizes each night. Contact 087-2684540 or get them on Eventbrite.ie.