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***LISTOWEL PARISH NEWSLETTER***

***1st Sunday of Advent 3rd December***

**Parish Office (Mon – Fri 10am – 1pm & 2pm – 5pm) 068-21188**.**Email:** [listowel@dioceseofkerry.ie](mailto:listowel@dioceseofkerry.ie). [www.listowelparish.com](http://www.listowelparish.com) to stream masses, forms & info. *Notices for Newsletter in by 2.00pm on Thursdays***.** **Booking of Masses:** All mass intentions, must be booked at least a week before because the newsletter is a week ahead. After hours emergency number 0870908949.

**Funerals** take place on weekdays at 11.30am. **Baptisms** Saturday’s at 4pm.

**MASSES THIS WEEK 3rd – 10th December**

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| Sat 2nd | Noreen Hickey, Ballygologue Park & Mary & Patrick Hickey, Banemore /  Philomena Walsh Feale Drive &  Teresa Dennehy O’Connell’s Ave. /  Andy Sayers, Cahirdown /  Kitty Galvin, Greenville /  Margaret Lynch, Glin /  Deceased members of the Halpin, O’Sullivan, & Scanlon families /  Ellenor Culbert nee Moore, Charles St. | Vigil  6.15pm |
| Sun 3rd | Thomas, Joan, Mary & Teresa Keating, Dirha Cottages | 9.00am |
| David O Brien, Kilmeany, Kilmorna /  Chris Nolan, Ballahadigue & London /  Mike Osbourne, Beaufort / Mary Ann & Tomás Sheehy, Ballyduff / Mai Mulroe, Ballinrobe & New York | 11.30am |
| Mon 4th | James Mulligan, Dublin / James Joy, Listowel  / Mary & Nelle Hanley, Verona, Illinois | 10.30am |
| Tues 5th | Bridget Teresa Gallagher nee O Sullivan, Killocrim /  Michael & Margaret Dillon, Bridget Halpin, Meen & Eddie Leahy, Shrone | 10.30am |
| Wed 6th | Oliver O Neill, Cahirdown, Birthday Rem. /  Cyril Puttock, Mary, Bunny & Buddy Dalton, Charles St. / Michael, Mary, Lil & Noreen Foley, Cahirdown | 10.30am |
| Thurs 7th | Claudia Costello, Coolaclarig & Ballygologue Pk. /  Mary Enright nee O Shea London & Caherciveen /  Charlie & Joseph O Hanlon, Woodford | 10.30am |
| Patsy Lyons, Clieveragh / Timmy Kennelly, Bedford / Dan & Joan Hayes, Bridge Rd /  Mary Walsh, Dirha East | **7.00pm**  **Vigil** |
| ***Immaculate***  ***Conception***  ***of BVM***  **Fri 8th** | Amedee Crowley, William St. /  Kitty Healy nee Collins, Convent St. & dec. family / Deceased members of the Bracken, Family / John O Halloran, The Meadows | **10.30am** |
| Sat. 9th | James Henigan, The Square | 10.30am |
| Gerard Dillon, The Paddocks, **Months Mind** /  Tony Dunne, Ballygologue Pk, **1st Ann.** /  John Quilter, Dirha East, **1st Ann**. /  Caroline Enright, Feale Drive /  Margaret Moloney, Derry /  Bridget Toomey, Dirha Cottages /  Deceased members of the Lartigue Theatre Group | Vigil  6.15pm |
| Sun  10th | Mary, John & Tom Daly, Bridge Rd. /  William Doyle, Fourhane | 9.00am |
| Brendan O Sullivan, Woodford, **1st Ann**. /  Eileen Halpin, Clounmacon, **1st Ann**. /  Helen McConnell nee Rowan, O’Connell’s Ave. & deceased family members /  Elaine, Dermot & Kenneth Foran, Ballygrennan | 11.30am |

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

**ANNIVERSARY REMEBRANCES** Paddy Carmody, Skehenerin / Toddy O Connor, Church St. / Eddie Leahy, Shrone & Margaret Dillon, Meen / Tom Dowd, O’Dowd’s Rd.

**CHURCH NOTICES**

**CHILDREN'S LITURGY** takes place at our ***Vigil Mass on Saturday night ( 2nd  December ).*** This is a great opportunity for our younger children to participate at Mass. All our children are most welcome.

**ADORATION FOR ADVENT** Adoration will take please every Sunday during Advent 3pm. to 6pm. ***Please note that Adoration will not take place on Tuesday 26th December St. Stephen’s Day.***

**COMMUNION CALLS TO THE SICK & HOUSEBOUND**: Fr. Declan will be making his ***Christmas calls to the Sick*** on this Tuesday afternoon. If anybody would like a visit with the sacraments in particular in preparation for Christmas, give Parish Office a call.

**FEAST OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION OF BVM**: It’s a holy Day of obligation. Vigil Mass on ***Thursday at 7.00 p.m***. & Mass on ***Friday morning is at 10.30 a.m.***

**FIRST COMMUNION CHILDREN & THEIR PARENTS:** will host the ***Vigil Mass on Saturday evening next 9th Dec. at 6.15 p.m***. All parents and their children are asked to attend. The meeting of the parents hosting the Mass are asked to meet Fr. Declan in the Presbytery on ***Thursday evening (Dec. 7th) at 6.00 p.m.***

**LISTOWEL PARISH CHRISTMAS CARDS** areavailable at the **Parish office**. A pack of 6 for €5.00. Also, Christmas Mass Bouquet cards.

**LISTOWEL ST. VINCENT DE PAUL** will hold their annual church gate collection next weekend - Saturday 9th and Sunday 10th December. Your support is always appreciated.

*LISTOWEL CHRISTMAS SCHEDULE 2023*

**ANNUAL CHRISTMAS CONFESSIONS NIGHT:**

**Monday, 18th December at 8.00 p.m. with visiting priests.**

**As Christmas Eve. is falling on a Sunday this year, there will be no 9.00am or 11:30am. morning mass but we will have three Christmas Eve Masses. The usual Vigil Mass on Saturday, December 23rd will take place.**

***CHRISTMAS MASS SCHEDULE: ST. MARY’S CHURCH***

***CHRISTMAS EVE****:* ***SUNDAY, DECEMBER 24TH***

**4.00 p.m**. (Children’s Mass) Parish Folk Group

**6.00 p.m**. (Family Mass) Parish Folk Group) & will be broadcast on Radio Kerry.

**8.00 p.m.** (Family Mass) with Parish Choir

***CHRISTMAS DAY***: ***MONDAY, DECEMBER 25TH***

**9.00 a.m.** (Family Mass) Parish Folk Group

**11.30 a.m**. (Family Mass) Parish Choir

**COMMUNITY NOTICES**

**CLOUNMACON COMMUNITY ANNUAL CHRISTMAS MASS**: for the people of Clounmacon and surrounding districts Friday next 8th Dec. at 8pm. at Clounmacon Centre.

**CHRISTMAS ALL-WRAPPED UP** CRAFT FAIR, CAR BOOT SALE & SANTA. This Sunday 3rd December 20923 at Duagh Sports Complex from 12.00pm to 4.30pm. Contact Geraldine on 087 2684540 to book a table. Lots of Christmas Hampers and Spot Prizes to be won. Santa and Mrs Claus will attend also. Booking for Santa is essential. Sensory friendly times available. Contact 087 6618881.

**MARY CULLOTY O’ SULLIVAN** presents an evening of Carols and Poetry in Listowel Arms Hotel on Wednesday 6th December 7.30pm. Special Guests North Kerry Community Choir. ***Free Entry..*** Donations/ Raffle in aid of Recovery Haven Cancer Support Services.

**CELTIC BROTHERS CHRISTMAS CONCERT**:  in Our Lady of the Assumption Church, Abbeyfeale on Sunday, December 10th.   The concert will begin at 7.30pm. Tickets cost €25 and can be got in Listowel Parish office.

**KERRY CHORAL UNION PRESENTS** 'O Holy Night', a Christmas Gala Concert at the church of St John the Baptist, Castle Street, Tralee at 7:30pm on Sunday December 10th with guest baritone Maksym Lozovyi and trumpeter Mark Bright and a programme of seasonal favourites old and new to welcome in the festive season and to reflect on Christmas in troubled times. Tickets available on the door €20.