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***LISTOWEL PARISH NEWSLETTER***

***Holy Family 31st 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 31st – 7th January**

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| Sat 30th | John Charlie O Sullivan, Killocrim /  Angela & Mossie Carmody, Skehenerin / Maire Downey, Duagh & dec. family, Knockalougha / Anne Browne, Coolagown / Michael O Neill, Ballygologue Rd./ Nora Crane nee Fitzmaurice, Ennismore & England & dec. family / Con, Nancy & John Keane, Church St | Vigil  6.15pm |
| Sun 31st | Jacqueline & Eamon Roche & Christine Williams, O’Connell’s Ave. | 9.00am |
| Joe Carroll, St. Brendan’s Tce. /  John O Mahony Ballygrennan /  Tadgh Laide, Ballygologue Pk. /  Carmel Walsh, Ballygologue Pk. | 11.30am |
| Mon 1st | Maura Carmody, Skehenerin, **1st Ann.**  /  Maire Sheehy nee Greaney, Dirha East, **1st Ann**. / Brendan Guiney, Charles St. /  Anne Marie O Sullivan, Charles St. & Lartigue Village, Birthday Rem. | 10.30am |
| Tues 2nd | Mary Toomey, Feale Drive, **1st Ann.** | 10.30am |
| Wed 3rd | Richard & Margaret Roche, O’Connell’s Ave. / Tim Flaherty, Derry | 10.30am |
| Thurs 4th | ***Fr. Declan’s Housebound Calls - Intentions*** | 10.30am |
| Fri 5th |  | 10.30am |
| Gerard McElligott, Craughatoosane /  Teresa Bambury, Gortaglanna | **7pm**  **Vigil** |
| Sat. 6th | Pádraig Beasley, Slí na Speire, **1st Ann**. | 10.30am |
| **Lisha Given, Cahirdown*, Months Mind***  **Margaret Whyte, Bedford**, ***Months Mind /***  ***Bridie Faley, Ballinruddery, 1st Ann. /***  Peggy O Dell Moloney, Charles St. & dec. family members / Baby Mark Grace, Kenny Heights & Rita & John Davenport /  Michael Molyneaux, O’Connell’s Ave. /  William & Tom O Connell, Grogreen /  Christy O Connor, James Culhane & Patrick Galvin, Listowel & Moyvane / Eddie Browne, Coolagown / John Murphy Church St. / Paudie Horan, Cherrytree Dr. / Peggy Mulvihill, Asdee /Dora & Larry Buckley, Tanavalla & Joe Carr, Dublin / Bob & John Slemon, Feale Dr. / Matilda, Paddy Margaret & Johnny Kelly, Billerough / George McEnery, Gortacrissane / Patsy O Sullivan, Cahirdown | Vigil  6.15pm |
| Sun  7th | Mary Purcell, Woodford | 9.00am |
| John O Connor, Moyessa, **1st Ann.** /  Christy Sommers & dec. family, Billerough /  Nora Keane Moriarty, Luachra Rd | 11.30am |

**PRIEST ON DUTY**this Sunday, ***Fr. Keane***, 0872844649.

**RECENT DEATHS & FUNERALS**

**ANNIVERSARY REMEBRANCES** Mike Kelly, Charles St. / Tom O Halloran, Bridge Rd. / Paddy Canty & Jackie Reidy, O’Connell’s Ave.

***THANK YOU- MÍLE BUÍOCHAS!***

A sincere thank you to all of you who were involved in our ***Christmas Liturgies*** throughout Christmas. Fantastic participation and indeed your great attendance at all of our ceremonies. Thank you also for your wonderful generosity to your Parish and for the Christmas Dues. Very much appreciated. May God reward you.

**DIOCESAN COLLECTIONS 2024:** As you are aware the Diocese has 12Diocesan Collections each year, whereby the Diocese has acquired a public permit from the Garda. The List for ***2024*** is up on the Notice Board at the back of the Church. While these Collection take place within the church immediately after Holy Communion on these dates, generally no other collection has permission outside the gates on these dates. Usually, we have one special collection per month along with the offertory collection. Thank you for your generosity.

**FEAST OF EPIPHANY OF THE LORD:** takes ***on Saturday next, Jan. 6th*** It is a Holy Day of Obligation. Masses are as follows: ***Vigil Mass will take place on Friday evening Jan. 5th at 7.00pm. & on Saturday Morning mass at 10.30am***

**CHILDREN'S LITURGY** takes place at our ***Vigil Mass on Saturday night next ( 6th January ).*** This is a great opportunity for our younger children to participate at Mass. All our children are most welcome.

**PARISH CALENDAR 2024** may still be available at the back of the Church for Christmas. Please feel free to take one home.

***PARISH OFFICE will re-open on Wednesday 3rd January 2024 at 10.00 a.m.***

**Ard Chúram Day Care - Centre North Kerry CLG *Save the date.*** We are delighted to announce the recommencement of the ARD CHÚRAM COMMUNITY CHOIR on Thursday Jan 11th at 1pm in the Ard Chúram Fuchsia Centre, Hospital Grounds, Greenville, Listowel, (upstairs: lift available: side entrance). Eircode V31X867. The choir will be directed by local couple Ryan and Shelby Mulvihill who currently direct the Holy Cross Dominican Church Choir in Tralee and who are teachers in the Kerry School of Music.

Everyone welcome:   Light refreshments will be served.

**Dates for Medjugorje 2024**. May 15th . to May 22nd /

June 26th / to July 3rd / September 11th. to September 18th. Travelling with JWT and Marian Pilgrimages. For further information contact Tom Dennehy on 0876468658.

***Just a Thought***

*As we begin another New Year, for many it maybe a time to make new year resolutions and reflect a little on our lives. Give time to the lonely and elderly … Seek out a forgotten friend … Share some treasure .. Give a soft answer .. Encourage youth … Apologise if you were wrong .. Try to understand ... Be kind .. Be gentle … Laugh a little .. Laugh a little more … Express gratitude… Pray .. Go to Mass .. Mend a quarrel... Welcome the stranger .. Take pleasure in the beauty and wonder of the earth .. Thus may our celebration of our Mass be a real expression of Christian community living. Speak your love .. speak it again And allow Child our King to fill your heart with Christmas joy throughout 2024.*

*Bliain nua Faoi Shéan is Faoi Mhaoise Díbh go léir.*

*Wishing you a Happy, Holy & Peaceful 2024*