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***LISTOWEL PARISH NEWSLETTER***

***6th Sunday in ordinary time 11th Feb.***

**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 11th – 18th FEBRURY**

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| Sat  10th | Phil O Neill, Ballygologue Rd., **Months Mind**/  Mike & Paddy Roche, O’Connell’s Ave. / Lawney Shine, Colbert St. /  Sinead Collins nee Curtin Feale Dr., Sean, Hannah & Barry Curtin St. Brendan’s Tce. / Tim O Neill, Ballybunion Rd. /  Timmy Canty, O’Connell’s Ave. / Richard & Madge O Donoghue, Bale /  John & Lena Mulvihill, Kilarda | Vigil  6.15pm |
| Sun  11th | Una & Eamon Mulvihill, Athea / Catherine Kennelly, Tarbert | 9.00am |
| Matt Foley, Woodford, **1st Anniversary**  / Martin Whelan, Finuge /  Noreen McGrath, Cahirdown | 11.30am |
| Mon 12th | Mick Dooley, Australia, ***Rec. Dec.*** /William Hannan, Ballygologue Pk. / Ian McCarthy, Duagh / Jack & Mary Guiney & dec. fam. Moyvane & Jim Enright & Mary Leahy, Ballyhahill | 10.30am |
| Tues  13th | Mary Jane James, England & O’Connell’s Ave, ***Rec. dec. burial of ashes afterwards*** | 10.30am |
| ***Ash***  ***Wed***  ***14th*** | Wiliam & Nellie Moloney, Charles St., Catherine, Ellen & Eileen Doona, Listowel / William Harnett, Church St. / Val Connor, Greenville | 10.30am |
| ***Ash Wednesday evening mass*** | ***7.00pm*** |
| Thurs  15th | Byran, Kitty & Garry McMahon & deceased family members, Ashe St. /  Noreen Scanlon Murphy, England & Dirha Cottages, **1st Ann**. & dec. family | 10.30am |
| Fri  16th | Bridget & Joseph James & deceased family | 10.30am |
| Sat.  17th | Patsy & Chris Walsh, Market St. | 10.30am |
| William McMahon, Gortaglanna, Kilmorna / Annie & Thomas O Connor, Asdee / Ellen O Connor, Clieveragh / Kathleen Hannon, Cois Baile /  Peg, John & Johanna Gunn, O’Connell’s Ave. /  Dan & Kathleen O Connor, Moyvane / Michael O Connor, 6 Crosses /  John, Mary & Kenneth Flavin, Coolard / Sarah Clancy, St. Brendan’s Tce | Vigil  6.15pm |
| Sun  18th | Bridget Walsh, Greenville | 9.00am |
| Deceased members of the Brennan family, Bassil Brennan, Colber St. & Geraldin Brown / Marina & Michael Lynch & Kitty Roberts nee Behan | 11.30am |

**PRIEST ON DUTY**this Sunday, Fr. Declan, 0870908949 ***(emergency number only)***

**ANNIVERSARY REMEBRANCES** Peg Keane, Bridge Rd / Bridget (Bridie) Kelliher, O’Connell’s Ave

**KERRY DIOCESAN COLLECTION - LOURDES HELPERS** will be taken up at all masses this weekend as a second collection after Holy Communion.

**CHURCH NEWS**

**MEDJUGORJE GROUP** meet on Monday after the 10:30am. mass in the Parish Meeting room.

**PLANNING FOR THE FUTURE WEBINAR:** for the Future of Parishes will take on this ***Monday, February 12th Time: 7:30 pm***. During this webinar, speakers from Austria and England will discuss lay involvement in their parishes. They will share the initiatives undertaken in their parishes, what has worked well, what has been challenging and what they see as the hope for the future. This webinar is in preparation for the upcoming parish gathering as part of the diocesan planning process, Moving Forward in Hope. Go to [www.dioceseofkerry.ie](http://www.dioceseofkerry.ie/) to register.

**CONFIRMATION CANDIDATES SERVICE OF COMMITMENT**: for all our Confirmation candidates of our Parish, their parents, teachers and sponsors takes place on this ***Tuesday 13th February at 7.30 p.m.*** in the Church. Newly ordinated priest Fr. Mark Moriarty from Killarney & based in St. John’s Church, Tralee, will be the guest speaker.

**ASH WEDNESDAY – BEGINNING OF LENT:** Wednesday next **(14th February)** It is a *day of fast and abstinence*. Ashes will be blessed and distributed at the **10.30 a.m**. and again at an extra mass at **7.00 p.m**. We hope this evening mass will suit those not able to attend in the morning.

**FIRST HOLY COMMUNION WEBINAR:** The Diocese of Kerry will host a webinar*, First Holy Communion – Journeying with your Child, on* ***Wednesday, Feb 21st,*** for all parents and guardians of children preparing for First Communion. The guest speaker is Dr Patricia Kieran, parent and lecturer at Mary Immaculate College, Limerick. Register on [www.dioceseofkerry.ie](http://www.dioceseofkerry.ie/)

**TROCAIRE BOXES:** are available in our church this weekend as we begin our Lenten season on Wednesday next. One very effective way to do penance and something positive for LENT is to make a weekly offering to ***Trócaire*** over the Lenten period. It is the Irish Church’s way of reaching out to the poor of the world and helping the many places undergoing tragedies at this time. Please pick up a Box and return during Holy Week.

**THE WORLDWIDE DAY OF PRAYER FOR SURVIVORS AND VICTIMS OF SEXUAL ABUSE** takes place in Ireland on the Friday after Ash Wednesday, thus ***Friday 16 February*** next. The Day of Prayer is an initiative of Pope Francis and was first marked in Irish dioceses in 2017.

**FIRST COMMUNION CHILDREN & THEIR PARENTS:** will host the ***Vigil Mass on Saturday evening next 17th. 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 15th at 6.00 p.m.***

***REMINDER BOOKING OF MASSES:*** All mass intentions must be booked at least a week in advance. Also, with more intentions happening each day the maximum number of names that can be given into ***one intention is four names***. Thanks for your co-operation.

**DIOCESE OF KERRY ON YOU TUBE:**  During Lent, consider listening to and reflecting on three videos of talks given online in the diocese in recent months:

* Bishop Brendan Leahy describes the Synod that he participated in in Rome over the four weeks of October.
* The talk for parents in preparation for the Sacrament of Confirmation given by Dr Dan O’Connell of Mary Immaculate College Limerick. (Title, ‘Confirmation Talk’)

You can access them via the diocesan website or via Google. Google … ‘YouTube Diocese of Kerry Channel’ … then click on ‘Diocese of Kerry – YouTube’ … then click on ‘videos’.

**ST. BRIGID’S CROSSES**  a few left in the parish office for sale for the Boys School.