



St. John's Parish, Tralee

25th January 2015.
Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

SAFEGUARDING CHILDREN IN DIOCESE OF KERRY:

St. John's Parish representatives' contact
number is 087 1093893



St John's Church is fitted with a
loop system. Please adjust your
hearing aid accordingly.

Parish Centre Opening Hours: Monday. - Saturday 9.15am - 1pm & 2pm - 4.45pm.

Telephone: 066 7122522.

Website: www.stjohns.ie

E-mail: stjohnscastlestreet@eircom.net

PLEASE PRAY FOR

- **Julia Griffin** née Howard, Cockleshell Road and formerly of Leith.
- **Hazel McQuinn**, née Bullows Oakpark Road
- **Margaret (Peg) Mullins**, née Lynch Oakview and late of Ballybunion.
- **John (The Jockey) O'Callaghan**, Derrylea, Oakpark and Late of Casements Avenue.



who died recently and for all those whose anniversaries occur at this time.

RECENT BAPTISMS



With great joy we welcome

Amelie Rooney
Amy Kennedy
Eva Long

into our Christian community.

JOURNEYING IN HOPE: We are pleased to confirm that Archbishop Diarmuid Martin will be the guest speaker at the Journeying in Hope evening on Tuesday February 24th at 7.30pm.

PIONEERS: Pioneers who have completed 25, 50, 60 or more years membership of the Pioneer Association will be presented with pins and certificates at the vigil mass in St. John's at 6.10pm on Saturday February 21st. If you qualify please give your name and payment for pin to St. John's Parish Centre as soon as possible.

CAPITAL FUND ENVELOPES: For those who contribute to the Capital Fund by weekly envelope – the new envelopes are available for collection at the Parish Centre. If possible, perhaps you could bring in the top of the old Capital Fund box with the number on it. If it is inconvenient for you to collect your box, we will arrange for it to be delivered to your home. Sincere thanks to all parishioners who support the fund.



Catholic Schools Week 2015

Catholic Schools Week will be held from January 25th to February 1st. A week such as this offers us an opportunity in our homes and parishes to affirm and celebrate the faith and learning that takes place in our schools on a daily basis. The Parish of St. John's congratulates and commends the Boards of Management, Staff and Students of our schools for the excellent work they do in both nurturing and passing on the Catholic Faith. This year's theme is "**A Call to Serve**".



DO THIS IN MEMORY

OFFERING THE GIFTS – AN OLD CUSTOM

In the early Church people brought the bread and the wine that was used during Mass. This was their gift to their Church family. They also brought other food to be blessed and sometimes this food was given to those who did not have enough to eat. When we bring the bread, wine and money to the altar we are continuing this custom.



LET'S LIVE LENT—LITURGY WORKSHOP:

A workshop for parish liturgy groups will be held on Wednesday Jan 28th in St. Brendan's Pastoral Centre, Tralee @ 8pm. Fr. Donal O'Connor, Hannah Evans and Frances Rowland will reflect on Lent and offer resources. All are welcome. For further information, email francesrowland@dioceseofkerry.ie or phone 064 6632644

SHAPING OUR DIOCESE 2015-2020

The Diocese of Kerry is preparing a new Pastoral Plan for 2015-2020. The pastoral plan will provide the diocese with a road-map/direction over the next 5 years. The meeting for the Tralee Pastoral Area will be held on Wednesday March 18th at 8pm in St. John's Parish Centre.

ARDFERT RETREAT CENTRE

In the footsteps of the Saints from Lá le Brid to Lá Bealtaine with Fr. Tomás O' Caoimh 7.30 pm Fri. 30th January. All Welcome.

A day of nourishment and renewal for the Lenten Journey led by Martina Lehane-Sheehan. Sunday Feb. 15th 10am to 4.30pm

Booking: 066-7134276. E-mail: ardfertretreat@eircom.net

ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS: An open public meeting will take place on Monday, January 26th at 8.30pm in the Presentation Prefabs, Upper Castle Street. All Welcome.

BLENNERVILLE SCHOOL HISTORY

BOOK: A Committee has been formed to compile a History of Blennerville N.S. It is hoped the book will be published at the end of this year 2015. The committee is now seeking articles and pictures for publication. All pictures will be scanned and returned safely. If you have pictures of interest or you would like to write an article please submit to Blennerville N.S. C/O Mary Wallace email: info@blennervillens.ie.

LEGION OF MARY: Meetings are held in St. John's Parish Centre at 2.30pm each Monday.

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK:

Remain obedient to the word of the Lord, walk in truth with love and compassion for your fellow human beings and you will find that the Kingdom of God is revealed to you. Follow the pathway of the Lord and you too will become a tangible sign of His goodness. You will become a fisher of men and women....

(St John's Social Justice and Peace Committee).

PLEASE ENROL AS A PARISHIONER FOR 2015.

We are currently updating our list of Parishioners for the coming year. Enrolled parishioners receive our Christmas newsletter, along with Holy Week and November leaflets delivered to their homes along with the seasonal offerings envelopes for the support of the clergy. If you do not already have these delivered to your home, we invite you to complete the attached form & return it to St John's Parish Centre.

You may also wish to receive a box of weekly 'Household Offering' (Capital Fund) envelopes. Contributing weekly with these envelopes brings significant tax advantages to the parish and supports both the current and future needs of the parish.

To: The St John's Parish Office
We would like to become enrolled parishioners. The address on our offerings envelopes should read:

Name(s) _____

Address _____

We would like to receive a box of weekly 'Household Offerings' envelopes

Yes No