



St. John's Parish, Tralee

8th March 2015.
Third Sunday of Lent / B

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.

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PLEASE PRAY FOR

- **Sandra O'Shea**, Riverside, Oakpark
- **Donal McCaughley**, Shanakill and formerly of Belfast.
- **Patrick Foley**, Woodlee, Monavalley who died recently and for all those whose anniversaries occur at this time.



'24 HOURS FOR THE LORD' 'GOD RICH IN MERCY'

Exposition
Reconciliation
Time-Out
Jesus
Lent
Silence
Sacrament
Hours

In union with Pope Francis, Tralee Pastoral Area will celebrate 24 Hours For The Lord in St. John's Church on Friday evening March 13th from 6.45pm until Saturday evening vigil Mass at 6.10. St. John's Church will be open for Eucharistic Adoration and Confession throughout these 24 hours. We invite you to drop in and spend some time with the Lord.

More information on events throughout the country can be found on www.catholicbishops.ie

RECENT BAPTISMS

With great joy we welcome
Donisha Rebokile Tlou
Eric Buckley
Killian Ryan
into our Christian community.



STATIONS OF THE CROSS in St. John's Church each Friday in Lent at 7.30pm.

DIOCESAN COLLECTION FOR EMIGRANT SERVICES will be taken up at all Masses next weekend (March 14th and 15th) as a joint offertory collection.

CELEBRATION OF FAITH: St. Brendan's Church Curraheen on March 12th, 13th and 14th.

Thurs. March 12th 7.30pm – 8.30pm Developing a Personal Relationship with Jesus. A Time of Prayer and Healing led by John Delaney, a native of Portlaoise who is involved in Prayer and Healing Ministry. The Sacrament of God's Forgiveness will be available.

Fri. March 13th 7.30pm – 8.30pm A Message of Encouragement for Youth and for those who work with them, Parents, Teachers, Parish Personnel. Led by Margaret Culloty – Tralee Youth Ministry.

Saturday March 14th at 8pm Community Mass – A time to celebrate and give thanks for the gift of our Community and the Faith that sustains us. Two adults will be baptized and welcomed into our community. Mass will be followed by Parish Get-Together in Keanes. A time to celebrate our Culture and Heritage. At the Parish Get-Together a Raffle will be held for the Curraheen Church Bell Fund.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament: on Thursday and Friday from 3pm to 7.30pm. Each night the Rosary will be recited with Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament.

RECENT WEDDING

Congratulations to



David Shanahan and Nikki Prenderville
who married in St. John's parish recently.
We pray that God will bless your marriage.

SHAPING OUR DIOCESE 2015-2020: The Diocese of Kerry is preparing a new Pastoral Plan for 2015-2020 which will provide the diocese with a road-map/direction over the next five years. An open listening meeting for the Tralee Area will be held on Wed March 18th at Meadowlands Hotel. Tea/coffee at 7.30pm. Meeting at 8pm and conclusion at 9.30pm. All Welcome.

YOUTH PASTORAL MINISTRY COURSE: If you are over 21 yrs. and interested in working with young people in the parish, school or other settings you are invited to an INFORMATION NIGHT in Ardferret Retreat Centre, on Mon 9th March at 8.00pm. Further details from Bernie McCaffrey 087 6484367.

ARDFERT RETREAT CENTRE:

Ministers of the Word evening of reflection
Wed 11th March at 8pm.

Mark's Gospel Performance Tues 31st March & Wed 1st April at 8pm. Tickets €15
Booking: 066-7134276. E-mail: ardfertretreat@eircom.net

PIONEERS: The next meeting of St. John's Pioneer Centre will be held on Thursday 12th March at 8pm in St. John's Parish Centre.

TRÓCAIRE LENTEN CAMPAIGN: Now half-way through our Lenten journey is a time when we think again about how we are deepening our relationship with God and with others. It is an opportunity to renew our commitment and solidarity with our sisters and brothers, especially those most affected by the many changes we are seeing in our weather patterns; floods, winds, droughts. This week, why not use www.foe.ie/justoneearth/carboncalculator/ to check your carbon footprint? Or look at how we can be more conscious in our use of water, electricity, and the earth's resources. Let's make a change for those most affected by climate change. www.trocaire.ie

ST. JOSEPH'S YOUNG PRIESTS SOCIETY: The sixth sorrow and joy of St. Joseph: his sorrow when he was afraid to return to his homeland; his joy on being told by the angel to go to Nazareth. "There he settled in a town called Nazareth. In this way the words spoken through the prophets were to be fulfilled. He will be called a Nazarene." Mt.2:23

CENTERING PRAYER Listening to God in Silence. The weekly Centering Prayer meeting continues on Wednesday nights at 7:30pm in Our Lady and St Brendan's, Pastoral Centre. All are welcome. "Incline your ear, and come to me. Hear and your soul shall live" (Isa 55:3)

ANAM CARA Bereavement Information Evening on Tues March 10th at 7:30pm in the Meadowlands Hotel. Brid Carroll will speak on Coping with loss when a child dies. All Anam Cara Services are available free of charge to bereaved parents. RSVP to info@anamcara.ie before Mon, 9th March or call 01 4045378.



TRALEE YOUTH MINISTRY

Young people of Tralee: be with us as we prepare a special Stations of the Cross Ceremony Preparation, including fun activities, chat and games in St. John's Parish Centre at 7.30pm on Thursdays Thursday 12th 19th 26th March
The Ceremony will take place on Friday March 27th in St. John's Church, Castle St. at 7.30pm

ANNUAL MASS for deceased members, families and friends of the Meadowlands Golf Society on Friday March 20th at 9pm in the Meadowlands Hotel. All welcome.

MASS: in honour of St. Padre Pio will be celebrated in Our Lady and St. Brendan's Church at 6.30pm on Tues. March 10th. All Welcome.

GAELSCOIL MHC EASMAINN: If you are considering an All Irish education for your child, tá céad míle fáilte romhat ag an Lá Oscailte this Wednesday, March 11th, between 11am-12.00 or 6pm-7pm when Mom, Dad and páiste can meet us and see Gaelscoil Mhic Easmainn 'live!' Bain triail as! Check us out! Bigi linn! Fáilte roimh chach! Eolas breise: for further information please phone 066 7121394.

DEAFHEAR.IE Outreach Clinic on Friday 13th of March from 10.30am to 12.30pm at Kingdom Voluntary Housing Association, Clogher Esta, Hawley Park. For information call 087-2713862.

SHARE YOUR HAIR for cancer on Friday March 13th at 9pm in the Brogue Inn. For sponsorship cards contact Brenda on 087 2020994

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK:

Try not to bow down to the troubles within your life. Instead, open your heart and soul to the crucified Christ who will take you out of the house of slavery. Believe in scripture and the words spoken by Jesus and the miracle of healing will be yours. Your burden will no longer be an insurmountable obstacle..... (St John's Social Justice and Peace Committee).