



St. John's Parish, Tralee

15th March 2015.

Fourth 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.

Telephone: 066 7122522.

Website: www.stjohns.ie

E-mail: stjohnscastlestreet@eircom.net

PLEASE PRAY FOR

- **Timothy Aherne**, Cluaindara, Oakpark.
- **Pat Roche**, Connolly Park.
- **William (Bill) Kearney**, Doire Loin, Clogherbrien and late of Oakpark Demesne



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

RECENT BAPTISMS:

With great joy we welcome

Gearóid Briain O'Shea,

Crystal Higgins,

Amy Conway,

Kayleigh Beecham,

Mary Kate Wall ,

Jessica Molloy,

Joseph Sheridan,

Iarlaith Clifford,

Abbey Raggett,

Darragh Michael Counihan.

into our Christian community.



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

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

MASSES FOR ST. PATRICK'S DAY

Vigil Masses: March 16th.

St John's Monday at 6.10pm. Tuesday: 9.00am, 10.30am and 12 noon (no evening mass)

Immaculate Conception, Rathass

Monday at 7pm, Tuesday 10.00am

St Brendan's Curraheen, Monday at 8pm, Tuesday at 11.00am

NEW ALTAR SERVERS ROTA for St. John's Church is available for collection in the Sacristy after Mass.

EXPLORING THE GOSPELS AND SUNDAY READINGS:

Would you like to have a better understanding of the Gospel and the Readings you hear on Sunday? Why not come to our meeting which is held every Tuesday morning at 10.30am in the St. John's Parish Centre.



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. Your can also email your feedback to shapingourdiocese@dioceseofkerry.ie

ARDFERT RETREAT CENTRE:

Marks Gospel Performance Tuesday 31st March & Wed 1st April at 8pm.

Tickets €15 available from the centre.

Ardfert Historical Lecture Series - 'The Stranger in Ardfert - as observed by visitors and commentators C. 17th - 20th Century' with Ciarán Dalton. Thursday 26th March at 8pm

Dreams Weekend with Fr Eugene McCaffrey OCarm. Friday 1st May 7pm to Sunday 3rd May 2pm. Cost €180 residential €110 non-residential.

Booking: 066-7134276.

E.mail: ardfertretreat@eircom.net

HORIZONS: at 9 Sunday mornings on Radio Kerry - tune in to your religious and social radio programme. contact maryfagan@dioceseofkerry.ie

TROCAIRE LENTEN CAMPAIGN: There are ways in which small farmers can protect themselves and their livelihoods from the worst excesses of the weather. Trocaire programmes help vulnerable communities, like the one where Mahlet lives, identify areas most at risk from flooding and drought. They work with villages to develop emergency plans to reduce the risk to people's lives should flooding, drought or landslides occur, building house that withstand floods, constructing water reservoirs to store water and carrying out work to protect land from drought and floods. Trocaire works on our behalf as Catholics, responding to Jesus's command 'In so far as you did it to one of the least of my sisters and brothers, you did it to me'. www.trocaire.org

TROCAIRE AT MANOR WEST. There will be a large Trocaire box at Manor West this Sunday March 15th to promote the Lenten Campaign and hand out Trocaire boxes. If in the area do say hello. www.trocaire.ie

OVERNIGHT YOUTH FAST FOR TROCAIRE:

Tralee Youth Ministry Annual 12-hour overnight fundraising Fast for TROCAIRE takes place on Friday March 27th 9.00 pm to Saturday 28th 9.00am in St. Brendan's Pastoral Centre. If you are 15-17 years old and interested in taking part, email traleeyouthministry@gmail.com or find us on Facebook at Tralee Youth Ministry. Further information 087 6873208.

ST. JOSEPH'S YOUNG PRIESTS SOCIETY:

The seventh sorrow and joy of St. Joseph: his sorrow when he lost the child Jesus; his joy on finding him in the temple. "They were overcome when they saw him and his mother said to him, 'My child, why have you done this to us? See how worried your father and I have been, looking for you.'" Lk.2:43

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: Family Tree healing, Rosary, and Benediction in the Queen of Divine Will Oratory, Camp on Wednesday March 18th at 7.00pm. Celebrant Fr. John Walsh. Light refreshments afterwards. All are most welcome.

DOMINICAN EVENING OF RECOLLECTION:

St John's Parish Centre, Friday March 27th at 7.30pm. Led by Fr. John Walsh, O.P, All welcome.

MENS WELLBEING Started last Monday and running for 7 weeks. There is an opportunity to join the group next Monday 16th March 2pm to 4.30 pm in the chapel Room Tobar Naofa, Moyderwell, Tralee. Fully Funded by Kerry ETB so it's FREE Contact Tina Moriarty NEKD 086-4179326 to book a place.

INTRODUCTION TO PERSONAL DEVELOPMENT: for adults.

Due to start Thursday 19th March for 8 weeks 7pm - 9.30 pm Venue in Tralee to be decided. Cost : €75 or €25 concession if in receipt of a D.S.P payment. Contact Deirdre in SHEP on 087-7728089 for more info or to book a place

DAFFODIL DAY in aid of the Irish Cancer Society is on Friday March 27th. They ask for your support.

THE IRISH CANCER SOCIETY SHOP

TRALEE are urgently seeking donations of Ladies, Mens and Childrens clothing and shoes etc. Contact 066 718020.

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

KERRY DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES:

Led by Bishop Ray Browne. September 2nd-7th Flights ex Kerry Airport. Bookings by post to Mrs. Janice O'Sullivan, "Droum House", Nohoval Upper, Rathmore, Co Kerry. Phone* 064 7758219 or email joskdp@eircom.net

PILGRIMAGE TO MEDJUGORJE

Sept 23rd to 30th. Flights ex Cork. Spiritual Director: Fr. Francis Nolan, Group Leader: Maura Harksen. Further information form Sol Travel, 5 Bridge Place, Tralee, 066 7185940 or email: anna@sol2travel.com.

ST VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY:

Please don't hesitate to contact us. 24 Hour Emergency Mobile 087 7848825 or Office 066 7128021.

MASS LEAFLETS:

In the interest of keeping the Church tidy we would ask you to take the Mass leaflet home with you or place it at the end of the seat after Mass.

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK:

We are God's work of art. Even when we turn our faces from Him, despise His words, ridicule His messengers and laugh at His prophets, His love for us remains steadfast. It is the grace of God that empowers us to walk from the darkness into the light, from doubt into the truth of He who sent His only Son into the world to save a fallen people....

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