



# St. John's Parish, Tralee

29<sup>th</sup> March 2015

Palm Sunday of the Passion of The Lord

## 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

- **Ann Cox;** Riverside, Oakpark
  - **Mary Moynihan** née O'Shea, Killerisk
  - **Liam Hennessy,** Cahill's Park.
  - **Theresa Ahern** née Dillon, Gortbrack, Ballyseedy, and late of Lyracrompane.
  - **Paul Higgins,** Kilfenora Fenit.
- who died recently and for all those whose anniversaries occur at this time.



### RECENT BAPTISMS:

With great joy we welcome

**Leena Nunes**

**Lee O'Brien**

into our Christian community.



**PENITENTIAL SERVICE FOR HOLY WEEK.** with confessions in St. John's Church will be held on Spy Wednesday (April 1<sup>st</sup>) at 6.30pm

**MORNING PRAYER:** will take place on Holy Thursday, Good Friday and Holy Saturday at 10am in the Parish Centre

**GOOD FRIDAY** is a day of fast and abstinence. The Parish Office will be closed on Good Friday.

**EASTER OFFERINGS:** (Envelopes & Collection) The Easter Offerings Envelopes are being distributed to homes in the Parish. These offerings are for the support of the priests of the Parish. We thank you for returning these envelopes to the Parish Office or placing them in the Collection Plate. Those who do not receive an envelope will have a chance to support the Parish Clergy at the Second Collection taken up after Communion at the Easter Vigil and Easter Sunday Masses.

**CURRAHEEN CHURCH CLOTH OF SUFFERING:** A Cloth of Suffering will be created during the coming week and placed on the Cross on Good Friday. You are invited to place a piece of cloth, provided in the church in a basket in front of the altar, to represent your sufferings. Pieces of cloth will be in the church until Monday March 30<sup>th</sup>.

### ALTAR SERVERS ST. JOHN'S

Altar server rotas are now available in the sacristy after Mass.

Sign-up sheets for servers who wish to serve at the Holy Week ceremonies are also in the sacristy. Please note the time of rehearsals for these ceremonies:

#### Holy Thursday:

Rehearsal at 5.10pm, Mass at 6.10pm

#### Good Friday:

Rehearsal at 2.00pm, Ceremony at 3.00pm

#### Holy Saturday:

Rehearsal at 11.00am, Mass at 9.00pm

**CHRISM MASS:** in St. Mary's Cathedral, Killarney on Tuesday next, March 31<sup>st</sup> at 7.30pm.

**LATIN MASS—TRALEE:** The Latin Mass (1962 Missal) will be celebrated in the Holy Cross Dominican Church, Tralee on the following two Sundays at 1.30pm: Palm Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> March 2015 & Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> April 2015. For more information contact [latinmasstralee@gmail.com](mailto:latinmasstralee@gmail.com)

### ARDFERT RETREAT CENTRE:

**Mark's Gospel Performance** Tuesday 31<sup>st</sup> March & Wed 1<sup>st</sup> April at 8pm.

Tickets €15 available from the centre.

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

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

Booking: 066-7134276.

E-mail: [ardfertretreat@eircom.net](mailto:ardfertretreat@eircom.net)

**ST JOHN'S CHURCH OF IRELAND ASHE STREET, EASTER SALE:** of Homemade Cakes and produce, plants and books in the Parish Centre Ashe St on Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> April from 10am to 12noon. Parking available.

**DAWN MASS EASTER SUNDAY MORNING** at the Church of the Immaculate Conception Ballymacelligott at 6.00am. Mass will be outdoors, weather permitting and will be followed by refreshments. All welcome.

### DO THIS IN MEMORY



### THE SIGN OF PEACE

When we are at Mass we are there as part of God's family. At communion time we are invited to the Lord's Table to share the Bread of Life. It is like being asked to sit down and eat together and that is hard to do if we are not friends with someone else in the family. At this point in the Mass, as members of God's family who are about to share the Bread of Life together, we are invited to share a sign of peace with those around us. This is usually done by shaking hands and saying, 'Peace be with you.' We answer, 'And with your spirit.'



**KERRY HOSPICE FOUNDATION** Good Friday Walk starting at 10am at the Brandon Hotel. Kerry Hospice are in the process of building an inpatient unit with 15 beds which is hoped to open in 2016. Donations will be taken on the day.

**YOUTH 2000 IRELAND** Youth retreat in St Brendan's College, Killarney, from Friday 24<sup>th</sup> to Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> April 2015. The weekend will consist of workshops, drama, inspirational talks, testimonies, prayer, music and chill out time. Retreat starts with registration on Friday at 8.00pm. This is a great opportunity to find out what your faith is all about in a friendly, chilled out atmosphere. For young people aged 16-35. For more information and to book online see [www.youth2000.ie](http://www.youth2000.ie) or call 01 675 3690

**ST JOSEPH'S YOUNG PRIESTS SOCIETY:** will meet on Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> April in St. John's Parish Centre at 8.00p.m. New members welcome.

**ST VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY:** Please don't hesitate to contact us. 24 Hour Emergency Mobile 087 7848825 or Office 066 7128021.

**RECOVERY HAVEN:** NOELS 6<sup>th</sup> Annual Dance in aid of Recovery Haven is on Tuesday 31<sup>st</sup> of March in the Earl of Desmond Hotel at 9pm Music by P.J Murrhiy & Patrick O'Sullivan. Admission €10. Spot prizes also on the night.

**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.

**ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS:** Monday March 30<sup>th</sup> at 8.30pm and Good Friday, April 3<sup>rd</sup> at 8.30pm. Both meetings will be held in the Presentation Prefabs, Upper Castle Street. All welcome.

**BEGINNING EXPERIENCE:** is a worldwide specially designed Support Programme for men and women who have suffered the loss of a spouse by death, separation or divorce. The next weekend is on at Ennismore Retreat Centre, Cork from Friday 10<sup>th</sup> to Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> April. For further details please contact 087 9886480 .

**MERCY SUNDAY COACH TO KNOCK.** April 12<sup>th</sup>. Coach departs Tralee and Listowel. Contact O'Sheas on 066 7180123

**TRÓCAIRE:** "Today Christ tells us it is isn't enough to distribute bread to those who haven't got any. The essential thing is to work toward the creation of a more just world, in which there will no longer be a minority owning too much among such multitudes of hungry people." [Dom Helder Camara] Today through the work of the Catholic agency, Trócaire, we work towards a world that is more just. As we approach these final days of Lent, we give what we can to support Trócaire's work of nourishing and nurturing people in different parts of the world. [www.trocaire.ie](http://www.trocaire.ie)

### THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK:

The Lord has given each of us a disciple's tongue so that we can be a rock of support to the weary, the lost and the broken-hearted. Use such a gift wisely and with humility. Never use it to assume a position of power or control. Instead act with humility like Jesus did when he was humble enough to die on a wooden cross for you and me....  
(St John's Social Justice and Peace Committee).