



St. John's Parish, Tralee

26th April 2015

Fourth Sunday of Easter - Vocations Sunday

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

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PLEASE PRAY FOR

• **Thomas Finucane**, brother of Fr. Gerard Finucane. Reposing at Griffins Funeral Home, John Street, Limerick on Sunday from 4.30 to 6.00pm. Removal to St. Munchins Church Limerick. Requiem Mass Monday at 11am. Burial in Mt. St. Lawrence Cemetery.

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



RECENT BAPTISMS:

With great joy we welcome
Grace McElligott
Ciara Byrne
into our Christian community.



FIRST COMMUNION: May 2nd.

St. John's Church, 10am, CBS Primary School
St Brendan's Curraheen at 11am: Derryquay NS
May 9th

St. John's Church, 10am, Gael Scoil Mhic Easmuinn
Immaculate Conception, 11am, Caherleaheen NS
May 16th

St. John's Church, 10am, Presentation Primary
May 23rd

St. John's Church, 10am, Moyderwell Primary
St Brendan's Curraheen, 11am, Blennerville NS
A special word of thanks to the teachers who helped prepare the children for this special occasion.

FIRST COMMUNION PARKING ARRANGEMENTS: We invite families for First Communion to park in the car park near the Church as the avenue and space in front of St. John's is a 'No Parking' area for safety and emergency reasons.

FIRST FRIDAY: Next Friday, May 1st is the first Friday of the month. **CONFESSIONS** - Thursday 4.30pm - 5.30pm.

THE CORPUS CHRISTI PROCESSION: will take place after the 6.10 vigil Mass on June 6th and will process to Hawley Park.

CONFIRMATION: Congratulations to the boys and girls of the parish who were confirmed on Thursday and Friday. On behalf of the people, we wish to thank very sincerely the teachers who prepared the boys and girls so well. A special word of thanks to the parents for making the occasion special and prayerful.

DIOCESAN COLLECTION FOR THE EDUCATION OF PRIESTS: will be taken up next weekend, May 2nd and 3rd, as a joint offertory collection.

MEETING THE NEIGHBOURS: Wednesday April 29th in St. John's Church of Ireland, Ashe Street at 8.00pm.

THE MEANING OF MARRIAGE NEWSLETTER: for Dioceses and Parishes, Copies of this week's Newsletter are available at the church doors.

ARDFERT RETREAT CENTRE: Dreams Workshop with Fr Eugene McCaffrey OCD Sat 2nd May 10am - 5.30pm Cost €30 and bring packed lunch. Tea/coffee provided.

'At Home with the Bible' an opportunity to become familiar with the Bible. May 5th, 12th & 19th 7pm - 8.30pm.

Certificate in Spirituality: 2015-2016. Accredited by the Diocese of Kerry in Ardfert Retreat Centre over 12 Saturdays during Autumn 2015 and Spring 2016. This course is designed for adults to share the Word of God in family life, Parish life and the wider community. Contact 066-7134276, ardfertretreat@eircom.net or visit www.ardfertretreatcentre.org

COURSE IN PASTORAL MINISTRY: 2015-2016 Accredited by the Diocese of Kerry, this course is aimed at all those who are already involved in ministry and those who wish to become more involved in their parish. The course will allow you to deepen your knowledge and understanding of your faith, and develop your skills for parish. Commencing in September, the course will run in Listowel over 20 nights during Autumn 2015 and Spring 2016. For information, contact Frances Rowland @ 064-6632644 or email francesrowland@dioceseofkerry.ie. Application forms are also available at the Parish Centre.

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.

DO THIS IN MEMORY



WE ARE SENT!

At the end of Mass we may all feel relieved that something is over and that we have done our bit as members of God's family for another week. But remember what the priest says at the end of every Mass: 'Go and announce ...'. The emphasis is on the word 'go'.

We are blessed, dismissed and sent from God's house out into the world to bring God and his message with us to everyone we meet. We can only do this because we have been nourished by the Word of God and the Bread of Life. We cannot do this on our own. We need the support of one another, the Body of Christ, who gather every week to pray.



COURSE IN YOUTH MINISTRY 2015—2016: The Diocese of Kerry Course in Youth Ministry is aimed at adults interested in developing the knowledge and skills to work with young people in nurturing and developing their faith. Details from Bernie McCaffrey, at 087 6484367 or berniemccaffrey@dioceseofkerry.ie. Application forms are also available at the Parish Centre.

RATH CEMETERY: Rosary Procession on Sunday May 3rd at 3pm. All welcome.

LATIN MASS, TRALEE: (1962 Missal) will be offered in Holy Cross Dominican Church, Tralee on Sunday 3rd May, and 17th May, at 1.30pm. More info from: LatinMassTralee@gmail.com

ROSARY PROCESSION: Tuesday May 5th at 7pm from Our Lady and St. Brendan's Church, Upper Rock Street to the Dominican's Holy Cross Church. Day Place.

DERRYQUAY NATIONAL SCHOOL, is now enrolling for 2015/2016. Enrolment forms are now available to download from the website Derryquayns.com and from the school office.

ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS: Open public meeting will take place on Monday, April 27th at 8.30pm in the Presentation Prefabs, Upper Castle Street. All Welcome.

CURRAHEEN COMMUNITY COUNCIL would like to invite Senior Citizens to a mass and get-together on Tuesday, April 28th at 7.30pm at Curraheen Church. Light refreshments will be served in the Community Room after mass. It promises to be an evening of music and fun.

KERRY CHORAL UNION are presenting a concert in aid of Kerry Hospice called "Voices for Hospice" in Our Lady and St. Brendan's Church on this, Sunday April 26th, at 7.30pm.

ITEMS FOUND:

Rosary Beads, in the Mall on Tuesday Last.
Booklet: "Trimmings on the Rosary" found in Clash East on Thursday April 16th
Both can be claimed in the Parish Centre.

TRALEE INTERNATIONAL RESOURCE CENTRE: Coffee Morning to mark 15 years of Direct Provision in Ireland. Tuesday April 28th at 11am, 13-14 St. Patrick's Bungalows, Boherbee. A short video made by local asylum seekers living in Tralee will be launched.

PALATIVE CARE: A fundraising night of comedy will be held in Kielduff Community Centre for Palative Care Tralee. Friday May 1st and Sat May 2nd at 7.30pm Tickets €10. Phone 086 897 3855.

IRELAND AND CLIMATE CHANGE: Transition Kerry and Kerry One World Centre invite you to a screening of Trócaire's film "Drop in the Ocean? Ireland and Climate Change". Wednesday April 29th in the Kerry County Museum, Ashe Street at 7.30pm. Admission Free.

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK:

How great an honour it is to be called a child of God! Imagine the love which God the Father, God the Good Shepherd has for each and every one of His children! In return for such a gift turn not away from the face of our saviour God but rather open your heart to Him and listen to His voice telling you not to reject Him. He is your cornerstone.... (St John's Social Justice and Peace Committee).