

St. John's Parish, Tralee

9th August 2015


19th Sunday in Ordinary Time.

Parish Centre Opening Hours: Monday - Saturday 9.15am - 1pm & 2pm - 4.45pm.
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SAFEGUARDING CHILDREN IN DIOCESE OF KERRY:

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


PLEASE PRAY FOR
Josephine O'Donovan, Dublin and formerly of Cloonbeg.
Liam Hoare, Kevin Barry Villas.
who died recently and for all those whose anniversaries occur at this time.



RECENT BAPTISMS:
With great joy we welcome
Jack Joseph Galvin
James Moriarty
Ellen Cooke
Olivia Kelliher
into our Christian community.



SPECIAL WEDDING JUBILEE MASS:
 will be celebrated in St. John's Church on Saturday, September 5th at 6.10pm for all couples celebrating significant jubilees this year (1st, 5th, 10th, 15th, 20th, 25th, 30th, 35th, 40th, 45th, 50th, etc...). Any such couples should submit their names to the Parish Centre.



SATURDAY, AUGUST 15th THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY is a Holyday of Obligation, and Mass times are as follows:
St. John's Vigil Mass on Friday at 6.10pm; Saturday: 9am, 10.30am, 12 noon and 6.10pm.
Immaculate Conception Church, Rathass. Vigil Mass on Friday at 7pm; Saturday 10am
St Brendan's Curraheen Vigil Mass on Friday at 8pm. No Mass on Saturday morning.

PLANS FOR NEW RECONCILIATION WINDOW IN ST JOHN'S St. John's Parish Pastoral Council are planning a new Stained Glass Window in the church on the theme of Reconciliation and are seeking the support of parishioners and friends of Tralee at home and abroad. The window is being commissioned to coincide with the Tralee 800 celebrations in 2016. The artist is Tom Denny, of Tralee Denny family and a famous stained glass artist, who is giving his services as a contribution to the project. The central themes are Reconciliation, Healing and Renewal. It will be the first stained glass window to be installed in St. Johns in over 60 years. A fundraising drive seeking to raise €20,000 is being launched over the weekend of August 14-16th. Donations from individuals and businesses are welcome.




10.30 MASS ON FESTIVAL SUNDAY, AUGUST 16th:
 Some of the Roses, their families and escorts will join with St. John's Community for Mass at 10.30am. We welcome them and all visitors and pray that their visit will be joyful and memorable.

TRAFFIC PLAN FOR THE FESTIVAL:
 For cars exiting after the 10.30am Mass and for parishioners attending the 12 noon Mass please note that Lower Castle Street will be closed to traffic. Cars need to enter and exit through the Castle Street entrance and proceed via Edward Street or Upper Castle Street. Please give good time and co-operate with Festival Volunteers.

FR GERARD FINUCANE has been appointed Parish Priest in Waterville after serving in St. John's for the past six years. A Farewell Party in his honour will be held on Monday 24th August in Presentation Primary School Hall at 7.30p.m. A presentation will be made to Fr. Gerard on the night. For those wishing to make a contribution, please take an envelope at the back of the church. As we need numbers for catering purposes fill in the number of people from your household attending the party and return the envelope to the Parish Office no later than Monday 17th August. Many Thanks.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION: Every Friday from 10.30am to 6.10pm in St John's Church.

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



ARDFERT RETREAT CENTRE:
 We have just published our new brochure for Autumn 2015 which you can view and download on our website www.ardfertretreatcentre.org. You can also like our page on Facebook www.facebook.com/pages/Ardfert-Diocesan-Retreat-Centre/726417877426005 and follow us on Twitter @ardfertretreat
Certificate in Spirituality - This course which will be run in the Autumn is designed for adults to share the Word of God in family life, parish life and the wider community. On successful completion of the course, the participants will have a deeper understanding of their own faith and a willingness to share it with others. Application forms and details available at www.ardfertretreatcentre.org or phone 066 7134276.

LOUGH DERG: Last day of the Three Day Pilgrimage is Thursday 13th August. Pilgrims can begin their pilgrimage any day up until then. No need to book. Information available at www.loughderg.org or phone 071 9861518

COACH TO KNOCK SHRINE Monday 10th August for the visit of Sr. Breege McKenna. Coach Departs Tralee 7.30am (Bus Station). Contact O'Shea's 0667180123 or Donal Kelliher 0876361023.

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, 066 7185940 or email: anna@sol2travel.com.

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: 2nd - 7th September. There are a limited number of seats available for this pilgrimage led by Bishop Ray Browne ex Kerry Airport. Contact: Janice 064 7758219 or E-mail: joskdp@eircom.net

THE LATIN MASS (1962 Missal) will be offered in Holy Cross Dominican Church, Tralee on Sunday 23rd August, at 1.30pm. More info from: LatinMassTralee@gmail.com

HISTORICAL OUTING TO LYRECROMPANE & DUAGH Kerry Archaeological & Historical Society will be visiting Lyreacrompane and Duagh on Sunday 16th August. Meet at Roche's, The Four Elms Bar, Lyre, at 2.30 pm. All welcome

MASS: in honour of St. Padre Pio will be celebrated in Our Lady and St. Brendan's Church at 6.30pm on Tuesday, August 11th. All Welcome.

TEAM LEADERS AND COLLECTORS REQUIRED: for Barnardos Children's Charity to help collect funds during our national collection day "Buckets for Barnardos" taking place on Friday September 18th. Contact Gráinne on 1850 217217 or email buckets@barnardos.ie

MITCHELS BOHERBEE HISTORICAL AND HERITAGE GROUP: are creating their annual calendar and Volume 4 of the Memories of the Mitchels CD. We are looking for people to share their memories, pictures and items of interest which have a story behind them. Contact Paula at St. Brigid's Community Centre on 066 712 8521 or e-mail infomitchelsboherbee@gmail.com or contact Niall on 087 699 1448 or email niall@accessheritage.ie

AWARE: Depression Support Group meets: **Killarney** - Mondays, KDYS at 8pm
Tralee - Tuesdays, meeting room at rear of St. John's Church at 8pm.
 Aware Support Groups are free to attend, no referral necessary. www.aware.ie

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

FR KEVIN SULLIVAN will also be honoured on Monday 24th August. Fr Kevin was part of St John's team at weekends while he was Chaplain at I.T. Tralee. We appreciate his ministry with us and wish him well as parish priest of Milltown.

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK:

Sometimes we can feel encamped in a wilderness of isolation and desolation especially when we have hurt someone close to us. Let the angel of the Lord touch your heart and you will find yourself set free from grudges and spitefulness. You will become the living bread - kind, forgiving and loving....
 (St John's Social Justice and Peace Committee).