



St. John's Parish, Tralee

11th October 2015

28th 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

- **Gayle Mc Conkey**, Castlewood Park.
- **David J McElligott**, The Spa.
- **Dr. Thomas Costello**, Ballymacelligott.
who died recently and for all those whose anniversaries occur at this time.



RECENT WEDDINGS

Congratulations to

Kevin Doyle and Olivia Chiu

Thomas Carmody and Emma Cunningham

*who married in St. John's parish recently.
We pray that God will bless their marriages.*



RECENT BAPTISMS:

With great joy we welcome

Bartosz Szeszko

Kinga Wojcifchowska

Shane Patrick O'Brien

Róisín Coffey

into our Christian community.



HARVEST THANKSGIVING: This weekend, October 10th and 11th, masses will be celebrated in thanksgiving for the Harvest when there will be a collection of non perishable goods in aid of St. Vincent de

Paul. Parishioners are invited to bring these goods to Masses in the Parish where they can be placed in front of the altar.



VISITING CHOIR: Suir Valley Choir from Carrig-on-Suir is singing at the Vigil Mass this Weekend in St. John's Church. We give them a big welcome and thank them for joining us for Mass.

THE DIOCESAN COLLECTION FOR THE PROPAGATION OF THE FAITH To support the younger churches throughout the world, a collection will be taken up at all masses next weekend (October 17th /18th) as a joint Offertory collection.

TRALEE PASTORAL AREA

ADULT FAITH FORMATION COURSE

A course in Adult Faith Formation will take place in St. John's Parish Centre for six weeks (Thursdays 8pm -9.30pm) from November 5th to December 9th. The course will explore various faith topics and will also be a preparation for the Year of Mercy which opens on December 8th.

Thursday November 5th: EXPLORING IMAGES OF GOD with Fr. Francis Nolan

Thursday November 12th EXPLORING DIFFERENT WAYS OF PRAYING with Mr. Mike Riordan.

Thursday November 19th: DEALING WITH LOSS AND GRIEF with Sr. Helen Culhane.

Thursday November 26th: EXPLORING THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM with Fr. Donal O'Connor.

Thursday December 3rd: GIVING WITNESS TO OUR FAITH with Mr. Philip Ryan

Wednesday December 9th: A VISION FOR THE YEAR OF MERCY with Bishop Ray Browne.

Please book a place for **ANY** or **ALL** of the nights by contacting St. John's Parish Centre.

MISSIONS MONTH: October has been designated as Mission Month by the Catholic Church when we reflect on the urgency to proclaim the Gospel in our times. Mission Sunday will be celebrated on the 18th of October. This provides us with the opportunity to unite with our missionary brothers and sisters overseas and to recommit to bringing the Joy of the Gospel to everyone we meet in our daily lives at home and at work.

ARDFERT RETREAT CENTRE:

Ardfert Local Historical Lecture Series - 'Wethers Well and other North Kerry Holy Wells' with Donal Stack, Thurs 15th Oct 8pm. Donations welcome for the upkeep of the Retreat Centre.

'The Joy of being a Grandparent' with Joan Barrett. Thurs 29th Oct 10am-12pm. Bookings and further info: 0863583120 email: joan@joanbarrett.ie www.joanbarrett.ie

MEETING THE NEIGHBOURS: Tuesday October 20th at 8pm in St. John's Ashe Street.

THE PRESENTATION SISTERS wish to advise that all convent gates will be closed from Saturday October 10th (10.30pm) until Monday October 12th at 8am. Consequently, the Presentation grounds will not be available as a car parking facility for those attending masses at the weekend.

BLENNERVILLE SCHOOL HISTORY BOOK: Sincere thanks to everyone who submitted pictures and articles. The book will be launched on Saturday 21st at 3pm at the school. All are welcome.

THE LATIN MASS (1962 Missal) will be offered in Holy Cross Dominican Church, Tralee on Sunday 25th October, at 1.30pm. More info from: LatinMassTralee@gmail.com

DAY RETREAT IN PREPARATION FOR YEAR OF MERCY: on Saturday October 17th from 10.30am to 5.30pm at The Queen of The Divine Will Oratory, Camp. The retreat, directed by Fr. David O'Connor will include talks, Rosary, Mass and Benediction. Please bring a packed lunch. All are most welcome.

CBS THE GREEN OPEN NIGHT: Thursday November 5th from 6.30pm to 8.30pm. Application forms will be available from the school office from Monday October 19th. Closing date for completed application forms is 5pm on Monday November 9th, 2015. For further information contact 066 7145824.

LIVING LINKS KERRY: Ceremony of Remembrance. A Prayer Service for all those who have been touched by Suicide will be held at the Church of the Resurrection, Park Road, Killarney on Thursday, 15th October at 7.30 p.m. All Welcome. Refreshments afterwards in the Pastoral Centre

ANAM CARA: is holding its monthly Parent Evening on Tuesday 13th of October 2015 from 19:30 to 21:00 in Recovery Haven 5 Haigs Terrace, Killerisk, Tralee, Co. Kerry. All Anam Cara Services are available free of charge to bereaved parents.

CORK AND KERRY CHARISMATIC RENEWAL CONFERENCE will take place in the Cork International Airport Hotel on Saturday/Sunday, Oct 17th and 18th. Theme "Eucharistic Amazement". Main Speakers: Fr Jim McManus, CSSR, & Marie Beirne.

ST VINCENT DE PAUL: Be assured of total confidentiality; just make that call. We can help. 24 Hour Emergency Mobile 087 7848825 or Office 066 7128021. Tralee Area

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

MONASTIC VOCATION WEEKEND: An opportunity for vocation discernment for women and find out more about Redemptoristine monastic life. October 16th to 18th. Contact gabrielle.fox@redemptorists.ie. Monastery of St. Alphonsus, St. Alphonsus Rd. Upper, Dublin 9. D09 HN53. Telephone: 01 830 5723 or visit www.rednuns.com

SOLAS TRÁ LÍ is a voluntary group for adults with special needs. We meet on Wednesday nights during the school term for various social activities. We are currently seeking helpers with a clean driving licence. If you are interested please call Marie on 087 6481715 or Trish on 087 6156654.

MERCY SECONDARY SCHOOL MOUNTHAWK is hosting a monster bingo fundraiser this Sunday in the school hall at 3.00PM. All support greatly appreciated

PROSTATE CANCER SUPPORT: A Six Week Prostate Cancer Support Programme - in Recovery Haven (Cancer Support House) Haig's Terrace, Tralee. Starting Monday 12th Oct 7pm- 9pm. Please contact Siobhán if you are interested in attending on 066 7192122.

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:

Many times in life we can feel worried or troubled. We can feel at a loss as to what pathway to walk. When your heart and soul are tortured by decisions that need to be made, pray and the Spirit of Wisdom will be yours. You will be gifted with wisdom, understanding, clarity of vision, hope and courage...

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