



# St. John's Parish, Tralee

## 11<sup>th</sup> September 2016

### 24<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time.

#### PLEASE PRAY FOR:

- **Michael 'Chucky' O'Connell**, Casement's Avenue
- **Máire O'Farrell** née Kelly, Ballyard and formerly of Rosslare.
- **Don Wynne**, Denny Street.
- **Noreen Russell**, New York  
*who died recently and for all those whose anniversaries occur at this time.*



**SINCERE THANK YOU FROM FR. SEÁN HANAFIN:** to all who attended the Farewell Celebration last Friday and to all who contributed in any way to organising the evening. Many thanks to all for your kindness and generosity.

**THE PARISH PASTORAL PROGRAMME:** for 2016-17 is being launched at all masses this weekend. Copies of the programme are available at the back of the church.

**ARDFERT RETREAT CENTRE AGM:** for Parish Contacts: A gathering of our loyal parish contact people (and new members) who organise retreat days and evenings throughout the year at Ardfert Retreat Centre. Come and join us on Wednesday, September 21<sup>st</sup> from 6.00pm to 9.30pm. Mass celebrated by Bishop Ray Browne followed by buffet. New contacts welcome. Phone 066 713 4276

**TRUE DEVOTION TO THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY:** Fr. Michael Kennedy, will give a presentation on Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> September at 7.30 p.m. in the parish centre, Church of the Resurrection, Killarney on the subject of Devotion to Our Blessed Lady. A welcome is extended to all. (Organised by the Legion of Mary).

**MASS:** in honour of St. Padre Pio will be celebrated in Our Lady and St. Brendan's Church at 6.30pm on Tuesday September 13<sup>th</sup>. All Welcome.

**CENTERING PRAYER,** followed by Scriptural reflection, resumes next Wednesday night (14<sup>th</sup>) in Our Lady and St Brendan's Pastoral Centre, Upper Rock Street, from 7:30pm to 8:30pm. All are welcome. Centering Prayer is simply sitting in silence, opening and consenting to God's love and God's grace in our lives. This prayer is beyond thoughts, emotions, or sensations. Like being with a very close friend or lover, where words are not required, Centering Prayer brings your relationship with God to a level deeper than conversation, to pure communion.

#### RECENT BAPTISMS:

*With great joy we welcome*

- Dianne O'Brien**
- Amy O'Sullivan**
- Emma Marie Falvey**
- Malachy O'Flaherty**  
*into our Christian community.*



#### RECENT WEDDINGS

*Congratulations to*

- Paddy Burke and Chloe Quilligan**
- James Counihan and Maria Shanahan**

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



#### THE CHILDREN'S LITURGY PROGRAMME:

will resume at the 10.30am Mass in St. John's next Sunday September 18<sup>th</sup>. All children aged 4—8 years are welcome to participate. The children are offered Liturgy of the Word suitable for their age, facilitated by trained leaders. The children re-join the congregation for the Offertory of the Mass.

**EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION** in St. John's Church every Friday from 10.30am to 6.00pm. Have you got one hour to spend in Adoration? Members of the Diocesan Adoration Committee will speak at all Masses in the Parish Churches on the weekend of September 24<sup>th</sup> / 25<sup>th</sup>.

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

**LIFE IN THE SPIRIT SEMINARS,** Nano Nagle Presentation Primary School Hall, Castleisland. 14<sup>th</sup> Sept – 26<sup>th</sup> Oct 2016 at 8pm. Further details from; 087/4112002 or 086/1982188

**CAN YOU BE A BEFRIENDER?** Refugee families from Syria and Iraq are settling in Tralee and at the Tralee International Resource Centre we want to run a 'Befriending' programme to help them integrate and settle into life here. Volunteer Befrienders will receive full training and support. Open Evening this Monday, September 12<sup>th</sup> at 6.30pm at TIRC, St Patricks Bungalows, Boherbee, Tralee. For more information Phone: 066 7127918 email: info@tirc.ie

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

**ANNUAL HARVEST DAY:** Shanakill/Rahoonane Community Organic Garden, Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> September from 12 noon to 3pm. The pizza oven will be in action, Christine Best will be giving a short herb walk around the garden, there will be potluck local food dishes, seed saving demonstration, chats and cups of tea - all are welcome, tá fáilte roimh gach duine

**HISTORY LECTURE:** 'Frongoch Camp, Wales and Kerry P.O.W.'s 1916' will be presented by Fr. Tom Looney, at Killarney Library on Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> September at 7.30pm. All are welcome. Organised by Kerry Archaeological & Historical Society. www.kerryhistory.ie

**KERRY SUICIDE PREVENTION ENGAGEMENT EVENING:** The HSE, in partnership with other organisations is developing a Suicide Prevention Action Plan for County Kerry, working with the National Office for Suicide Prevention. Have your say on Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> September 7.30 – 9.30pm in the Meadowlands Hotel or visit [www.connectingforlifeKerry.ie](http://www.connectingforlifeKerry.ie) for details of other venues or to take the online survey.

**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 7<sup>th</sup> October to Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> October, Please contact 087 9886480 or email: [beginningexperiencecork@gmail.com](mailto:beginningexperiencecork@gmail.com)

**APOLOGIES FROM TRALEE DIABETES SUPPORT GROUP COMMITTEE** to all who attended the support group on Thurs August 25<sup>th</sup> as no one from the committee was present.

**POOR CLARE SISTERS CORK:** Vocations Afternoon 17<sup>th</sup> of September from 2.00pm - 4.30pm, at the Poor Clare Monastery, College Road, Cork. For more information visit [poorclarescork.ie](http://poorclarescork.ie)

**POOR CLARES GALWAY:** Monastic Experience Day, for women between the ages of 21 and 40. Saturday, September 17<sup>th</sup> from 10am to 5pm. Visit [poorclares.ie](http://poorclares.ie) or contact Sr. Collette at [poorclaresgalwayvocations@gmail.com](mailto:poorclaresgalwayvocations@gmail.com)

**ANAM CARA:** the national organisation that supports bereaved parents, is holding its next monthly Parent Evening on Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> of September from 7:30pm to 9:00pm in Recovery Haven, 5 Haigs Terrace, Killerisk. This event is open to all bereaved parents regardless of the age your child died, the circumstances of their death, or whether the death was recent or not.

**LOUGH DERG:** offers One day retreats on various dates in September. Also 'A day of Friendship & Prayer', Wed, Sept 14<sup>th</sup> and 'Living with Suicide' Wed Sept 21<sup>st</sup>. For full details phone 071-9861518 Email: [info@loughderg.org](mailto:info@loughderg.org) [www.loughderg.org](http://www.loughderg.org)

**SOLAS TRA LÍ** are seeking volunteers to participate in a regular evening social group for adults with intellectual disability. Each Wednesday night in the school term for approximately two hours from 8pm to 10pm. No experience needed but you must have a full drivers licence.—Give it a go! - Contact Marie at 087 6481715 or Trish at 087 6156654.

#### THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK:

*To forgive or not to forgive. To show mercy or not. It is somewhat challenging at times to answer these two questions. When we have been hurt by the actions of others it is difficult to be the better person and turn the other cheek. It is so hard to say I forgive you. But when you struggle with mercy and forgiveness just try to remember that every time you sin or do the wrong thing God opens His heart and forgives you.....*  
Margaret Theresa Naughton

Parish Centre Opening Hours: Monday - Saturday 9.15am - 1pm & 2pm - 4.45pm.  
Tel: 066 7122522. Website: [www.stjohns.ie](http://www.stjohns.ie) E-mail: [stjohnscastlestreet@eircom.net](mailto:stjohnscastlestreet@eircom.net)

**SAFEGUARDING CHILDREN IN DIOCESE OF KERRY:**  
St. John's Parish representatives' contact number is 087 1093893