



St. John's Parish, Tralee

2nd October 2016

27th Sunday in Ordinary Time.

PLEASE PRAY FOR:

- **Tommy Breen**, Connolly Park and Stack's Villas
- **Mark Codd**, Meadowlands Estate and formerly of Clonroche, Co. Wexford
- **Alan McDonnell**, Old Marian Park
- **Noel Dalton**, Murphy's Terrace, Ballymullen
- **Thomas Cusack**, The Kerries and formerly of Domnick Street, Dublin.
- **Patrick Shanahan**, O'Rahilly's Villas.
- **Eileen Houlihan** née Conway, Manor Grove, Reposing at McElligotts Funeral Home on Sunday from 4-6pm, followed by removal to St. John's Church. Funeral Mass on Monday at 12 noon followed by burial in Old Rath.
- **Gerard Maye**, Caherina.
who died recently and for all those whose anniversaries occur at this time.



BLESSING OF PETS: This Sunday, October 2nd, at 3pm outside St. John's Church.

EXPLORING THE SUNDAY GOSPEL: Would you like to have a better understanding of the Gospel you hear on Sunday? If so, why not join us on Tuesday mornings in the St. John's Parish Centre, beginning on Tuesday Oct 4th? We meet from 10.30am to 11.30am. Mike Riordan will facilitate this gathering.

FIRST FRIDAY: Next Friday, October 7th is the first Friday of the month. To arrange a First Friday visit from one of the priests for someone who is sick or housebound please contact the Parish Office. CONFESSIONS - Thursday 4.30pm - 5.30pm.

DIOCESE OF KERRY DAYS OF PRAYER, GIFT OF MERCY: will conclude with Celebration of Mercy and Healing in St. Mary's Cathedral on Monday, Oct 3rd at 7.30pm with guest speaker Fr. Dónal O'Connor.

CHARILE BIRD SPEAKS ON THE MISSIONS: on Monday, October 17th at 8pm in the Rose Hotel, on his experience of visiting Missionary projects in the Philippines and Korea. Caroline Reid of the Irish Refugee Council will speak on Ireland's response to the global refugee crisis. This event is being hosted by the Diocese of Kerry in celebration of world Mission Day. Entry is free and all are welcome.

ARDFERT RETREAT CENTRE

Faith and Spirituality for Parents: Paul Montgomery, Mondays - 3rd, 10th, 17th & 24th October, from 7.00pm to 8.00pm.

Celebrating Catholic Faith Beliefs: Fr. Seán Sheehy, Wednesdays from 7.00pm - 8.30pm. Our faith in the Sacraments.

YOUTH 2000 invites all young adults between the ages of 16-35 to a Catholic weekend retreat from the 7th-9th October in De La Salle College, Newtown, Waterford. For information and registration visit www.youth2000.ie.

ROSARY IN THE SQUARE, Tralee, on Saturday the 15th of October at 4pm. All welcome. Coordinated by Ireland Needs Fatima.

14TH ANNUAL MS WALK: Old Kenmare Road, Sunday 9th October. Registration €30 per person between 9am - 10am at the Gleneagle Hotel. Buses leaving the hotel carpark at 10am. Cards also available from John O'Shea 087 2348824 or Ray O'Callaghan 087 2917262 or at the Franciscan Friary office in Killarney.

ST JOSEPH'S YOUNG PRIESTS SOCIETY will meet in St. John's Parish Centre at 8.00 pm. On Wednesday 5th October. All welcome. The Society wishes to acknowledge the faithful service of our Chaplain Fr. Seamus Linnane and look forward to his continued support God willing.

ANNUAL CHURCH GATE COLLECTION for St. Ita's and St Josephs Special School, Tralee on Saturday/Sunday October 8th and 9th.

BLOOD DONOR CLINIC: at The Brandon Hotel, Monday October 3rd from 5pm to 8.30pm, Tuesday October 4th to Thursday 6th from 3pm to 5pm and 7pm to 9pm. More information on www.giveblood.ie or telephone 021 4807400 or 1850 731 137

ANAM CARA, supporting bereaved parents. Bereavement Information Evening Tuesday October 4th from 7:30 to 9:30pm in the Meadowlands Hotel. This is a free event. As Anam Cara need to confirm numbers for teas, coffees, etc, please RSVP to info@anamcara.ie before Mon 3rd October or phone 085 2888 888.

Local Monthly Meeting for bereaved parents on Tuesday 11th of October from 7:30pm to 9pm 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.

PRESENTATION SECONDARY SCHOOL OPEN EVENING, for Sixth Class girls and their parents on Thursday 6th October beginning at 6.00pm. Application Forms for the 2017/18 school year are currently available from the school office.

PILGRIMAGE TO CLONFERT FOR THE YEAR OF MERCY: Wednesday October 12th. Coach leaving Tralee at 8am. Contact O'Shea's on 066 7180123 or Ann Lawlor on 087 7456092.

CORK AND KERRY CHARISMATIC RENEWAL CONFERENCE; Cork International Airport Hotel on Saturday/Sunday, Oct. 15th/16th. Theme "Lord, remember me". Main Speakers Fr. Damien Ryan, & Patricia Mitchell.

TRANSITION KERRY: How climate change is having visible affects both locally and globally. A screening of Trócaire's most recent short film "The Burning Question", showing how climate change is affecting farmers in Malawi, will be followed by a talk by Martha Farrell Maharees Conservation Group, on how severe weather is affecting their community. Wednesday 5th October in St. Johns Parish Centre, from 7.30-9.30pm. For more Information contact Niamh @ 086 7247066.

SHEP CERTIFICATE IN SOCIAL AWARENESS AND COMMUNITY EMPOWERMENT A limited number of places, remain on this course which is run over 5 weekends from October to December in Collis Sandes House. Applications no later than October 10th. Further information from Liam Mc Carthy on 021 4666180.

CHERNOBYL GROUP is actively seeking new host families to host children from Belarus for 2 to 4 weeks in the summer of 2017. An Information Evening will be held in the Meadowlands Hotel, on Tuesday October 11th at 7.30pm. For further information contact, 087 9969393, 085 1555029 or 087 9013784.

KERRY WOMEN WRITERS' NETWORK presents a symposium: "Fearless and Imaginative". Women and Writing: Responses to the Rising. In The Rose Hotel, Saturday October 8th at 1.30pm. Admission Free.

WHIST DRIVE every Thursday night in Kerins O'Rahillys Clubhouse at 7.30pm.

DEAFHEAR.IE outreach clinic on Friday October 14th from 10.30am - 12.30pm at Clogher Esta, Hawley Park, Tralee. Clinics offer support and advice, cleaning and basic maintenance of hearing aids and information on entitlements. More information from 087-2723862. Consultations are private and confidential.

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK:

Sometimes it can feel like we cry in vain to God. When we long for our prayers to be answered it can seem that God is not listening. We can become frustrated and angry that despite our faith and trust He is not coming to our assistance. But when you struggle to get through the hardest times remember you always find a way through because of the Spirit of power and love given to you by God.... Margaret Theresa Naughton

RECENT BAPTISMS:

- With great joy we welcome*
- Nathan Galvin**
 - Mason Alexander Tobin**
 - Clodagh Hobbart**
 - Kayla Crystal Coffey**
 - Erin Lilian Suarez**



into our Christian community.

DAY FOR LIFE: This Sunday, October 2nd, is Day for Life, an annual celebration by the Catholic Church dedicated to upholding the dignity of all human life. This year's theme is **Respect for all life: everything is connected, plant, animal, human, - all life.** Caring for our common home involves caring for the whole environment and the whole human family worldwide. "We are all brothers and sisters living in one common home."

MASSES FOR 2017: Bookings for First Anniversaries will be taken on Monday October 10th. Bookings for all other Masses will take place from Tuesday October 11th. Telephone bookings will not be taken on Tuesday.

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

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