



St. John's Parish, Tralee

17th January 2016

Second 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:

- **Mary Dwyer** née O'Brien, St John's Park and formerly of Doon, Listellick.
- **Seán O'Donnell**, Blennerville.
- **Joe Flynn**, Rathoonane.

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



WORLD DAY OF MIGRANTS AND REFUGEES takes place this Sunday January, 17th. Pope Francis' message to mark the day was released in October 2015. Based on the theme, "Migrants and Refugees Challenge Us. The Response of the Gospel of Mercy", the Holy Father recalls what he said in the "Bull of Indiction of the Extraordinary Jubilee of Mercy". "At times we are called to gaze even more attentively on **MERCY** so that we may become a more effective sign of the Father's action in our lives."

WEEK OF PRAYER FOR CHRISTIAN UNITY: JANUARY 18th TO 25th. The Week of Prayer for Unity is a privileged moment for prayer, encounter and dialogue. It is an opportunity to recognize the richness and value that are present in the other, the different, and to ask God for the gift of unity.

"But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, God's own people, in order that you may proclaim the mighty acts of him who called you out of darkness into his marvellous light. Once you were not a people, but now you are God's people; once you had not received mercy, but now you have received mercy." 1 Peter 2:9-10.

RECENT BAPTISMS:

With great joy we welcome

Tadhg Daniel Heaphy

Alan James O'Regan

Kean Bernard Fitzgerald

into our Christian community.



PIONEERS: Pioneers who have completed 25, 50, 60 or more years membership of the Pioneer Association will be presented with pins and certificates at the Vigil Mass in St. John's at 6.10pm on Saturday February 6th. If you qualify please give your name and payment for pin to St. John's Parish Centre as soon as possible.

CALLING ALL PARISH CHOIRS: Fr. Liam Lawton will present a workshop for parish choirs. Based on his new collection, 'Eternal', the workshop will be held on Thursday Jan 21st at 8pm in Church of the Resurrection, Park Road, Killarney. Admission to the workshop is €10 per person and each participant will receive a book of the new music. For further information and to book your place by Friday Jan 15th, phone 064 6632644 or email pastoralcentre@dioceseofkerry.ie

ARDFERT RETREAT CENTRE:

A Course on Faith: 12 one-and-a-half hour sessions starting on Wednesday, January 20th at 7:00pm. Resources: The Holy Bible and the Catechism of the Catholic Church.

Capacitar Workshop: Saturday. 23rd January ~ 9.45am to 4.00pm. Day to experience Capacitar Practices for Body, Mind & Spirit. Facilitated by: Anna O'Donoghue IACP and Betty Garnett IACP

Ardfert Local History Lecture Series: Thursday. 28th January at 8.00pm *Ardfert witnesses at the Casement trial*. By Helen O'Carroll
Further details available from 066 7134276.

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

MASS IN THE BON SECOURS HOSPITAL SUNDAY JANUARY 24th

There will be no 9.30am Mass in Bon Secours Hospital Chapel on Sunday next, 24th January. Instead Bishop Ray Browne will celebrate Mass at 12 noon commemorating Bon Secours Foundation Day on 24th January 1824. Mass will be immediately followed by the annual Presentation of Pins and Certificates to members of staff celebrating significant anniversaries of service in the hospital.

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

CHILDREN'S LITURGY: each Sunday at the 10.30am Mass in St. John's. All children aged 4-8 years are welcome to participate.

THINKING OF THE PRIESTHOOD? Maybe you have been **Thinking about the Priesthood** as a way of life for you? Maybe you have felt you are being called? You are invited to St. Patrick's College, Thurles, on Feb 5th and 6th, 2016. This event is an opportunity for you to 'come and see'. We start on Feb. 5th with dinner at 6.30pm, followed by some time for prayer, meet others thinking of the priesthood and some recently ordained priests. Stay overnight. On Feb 6th there is prayer, breakfast, a brief talk on discerning a vocation, preparation for Mass, lunch, discussion, depart. For more information contact Fr Michael Moynihan PP, Glengarriff at 087 6551902 or Fr Liam Comer, PP Dromtariff, 087 2401246.

The LATIN MASS (1962 Missal) will be offered in Holy Cross Dominican Church, at 1.30pm this Sunday January 17th. Information from LatinMassTralee@gmail.com.

MASS: in honour of St. Padre Pio will be celebrated in Our Lady and St. Brendan's Church at 6.30pm on Tuesday, January 19th

MASS: for Family Tree healing with Rosary, and Benediction in the Queen of Divine Will Oratory, Camp on Wednesday January 20th at 7.00pm. Light refreshments afterwards. All are most welcome.

DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO WORLD YOUTH DAY 2016 for young adults (18 - 35 years) in Krakow, Poland from July 25th to Aug 1st 2016. For further information, contact Tomás Kenny, Diocesan Pastoral Team on (086) 3683778 or visit www.dioceseofkerry.ie

KERRY DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO THE HOLY LAND led by Bishop Ray Browne 30th October 2016, 8 nights. Direct Flight from Shannon, coach transfers from Kerry. Cost €1,575 sharing. Enquiries: Janice O'Sullivan 064 7758219 or email joskdp@eircom.net Limited availability .

KERRY DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO FATIMA. 11th - 18th May, 2016. Contact Premier Travel, 2 Grand Parade, Daunt's Square Cork, 021 4277700 or Maureen Harty 066 7131328.

KERRY STROKE SUPPORT GROUP meet on the last Friday of each month from 11.15 am to 1.15 pm in Baile Mhuire Day Care Centre, Caherslee. Various activities; For further info contact 087 3586451.

"COME AND SEE" Vocations Afternoon for women discerning a religious vocation. 2.00 - 4.30 p.m. Saturday 6th February. Poor Clare Monastery, College Road. Cork. Check out: www.poorclarescork.ie email: vocationspoorclarescork@gmail.com

CUAN MUIRE: is celebrating 50 years of supporting people with addiction issues. A Reunion Mass and get-together of "Past Friends and Residents of Cuan Mhuire" in Kerry is being planned for a Sunday in May or early Summer 2016. Please re-establish contact with Cuan Mhuire. Write to Sr Consilio, Cuan Mhuire, Bruree, Co Limerick or email her at annosheadaly@gmail.com by January 31st next.

THE ROSEMARY DAY CARE CENTRE, Balloonagh, Tralee offer dementia specific day care and home care. The day care is open 5 days/week with meals provided each day in a welcoming and friendly environment. Contact 066/7180377.

THE PRIORY INSTITUTE: Study Theology by distance learning. Register online at www.prioryinstitute.ie. Closing date February 22nd. Information from enquiries@prioryinstitute.com or phone 01 404 8124.

ROCK STREET, CAHERSLEE, SPA ROAD COMMUNITY GAMES: Annual Awards this Sunday, 17th January from 4 to 6pm, at O'Donnell's, Mounthawk. Awards for all children who participated at County Community Games competitions in 2015. Names are now been taken for the 2016 Area Community Games which will commence in February. If interested in participating or getting involved at coaching or committee level please text Linda 086-8335291 as soon as possible.

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK:

God has granted you many gifts including the great gift of faith. Therefore, do not be silent or allow your hearts and souls to grow weary. Stand tall and use your gifts for the glory of God the Father. Let the flame of salvation and hope burn within you. After all, you are wearing the crown of splendour that comes only from the hand of God.....

St John's Social Justice and Peace Committee