



St. John's Parish, Tralee

24th January 2016

Third 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:

- **Catherine Irwin** née Keane, Basin View.
- **Michael O'Connor**, (ex Garda Siochána) Lisanearla and formerly of Brewery Rd.
- **Michael O'Brien**, St John's Park.



Funeral Mass this Sunday at 12 noon in St. John's Church. Burial afterwards in New Rath.
who died recently and for all those whose anniversaries occur at this time.

MASS IN THE BON SECOURS HOSPITAL THIS SUNDAY JANUARY 24th There will be no 9.30am Mass in Bon Secours Hospital Chapel this Sunday, 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.

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 Dromtarriff, 087 2401246.

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.

THE 51ST INTERNATIONAL EUCCHARISTIC CONGRESS will be opening this Sunday (24th Jan) in Cebu in the Philippines and will continue until next Sunday (31st Jan). We pray for the Church in the Philippines and all pilgrims heading to Cebu for the 2016 International Eucharistic Congress. We pray that we might all grow in communion with Christ and with each other through our sharing in His Body and Blood.

EUCCHARISTIC CONGRESS PRAYER:

Lord Jesus Christ, our hope of glory,
You are the fulfilment of the Father's plan to save all humanity.
You are the mystery hidden from the ages and from generations past now manifested to us.
You abide in your Church in the most holy sacrament of the Eucharist.
As we celebrate the Holy Eucharist and receive your Body and Blood, grant us the awareness that your presence in us urges us to continue your saving mission in the world.
Send us your Holy Spirit, that he may lead us to walk humbly with the poor and the marginalised, in the company of Mary, your most holy mother and ours.
O Lord in the Most Blessed Sacrament, to you be all honour and glory and praise in the unity of the Father and the Holy Spirit.
One God, forever and ever. Amen.



DIOCESE OF KERRY EARTH WEEK: 17th-24th April 2016 The Diocesan Justice, Peace and Integrity of Creation Committee has chosen '**Biodiversity**' as the theme for Earth Week. A meeting to explain how we can create diverse flower-rich habitats in our communities and help save our bees will be hosted by Kerry County Council in the Meadowlands Hotel Tralee on Tue. Feb 2nd at 7.30pm. All are welcome. For more details, www.dioceseofkerry.ie.

ARDFERT RETREAT CENTRE:

Year Of Mercy - A Course on Faith: 12 weekly one-and-a-half hour sessions by Fr. Seán Sheehy. Started Wednesday, January 20th, and continues weekly each Wednesday at 7.00pm. All welcome.
Thanksgiving evening to celebrate the gift of married life on Wed. Feb 10th at 7.30pm.
Contact: Ardfert Retreat Centre 066 7134276

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.

ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS Open Public Meeting, Monday January 25th at 8.30pm in the Presentation Prefabs, Upper Castle Street. All welcome.

MOYDERWELL MERCY PRIMARY SCHOOL: is currently enrolling for 2016/2017 school year. Open Invitation to attend an Audio Visual Presentation and view our school facilities - Thursday, 4th February at 7.00 p.m. in the School Assembly Hall.

PRESENTATION SECONDARY SCHOOL Transition Year Students will be distributing St. Brigid Crosses after the 10.30am Mass on Sunday next, January 31st. Crosses will also be available after the 10am Mass on Monday February 1st. Donations in aid of School funds gratefully accepted.

DERRYQUAY NATIONAL SCHOOL: children will distribute St Brigid's Crosses at the Vigil and Sunday Mass on the weekend of Jan 30th and 31st. in Curraheen Church. Any donations received will be divided between the school and Adapt.

"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

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.

THE IRISH BLOOD TRANSFUSION SERVICE: will hold a Blood Donor Clinic in The Brandon Hotel, Monday January 25th from 5pm - 8.30pm, Tuesday 26th, Wednesday 27th and Thursday 28th from 3pm - 5pm & 7pm - 9pm. Full details can be found on www.giveblood.ie or by telephoning 021 4807400 or 1850 731 137.

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

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 KERRY BRANCH OF ARTHRITIS IRELAND: Free Public Information Talk on '**Living with Gout**' in The Manor West Hotel, Tralee on Wednesday night January 27th at 7pm. Guest speaker Dr. Peter Browne, Consultant Rheumatologist, Bon Secours Hospital, Tralee. New booklets on each of the various medications used to treat the many forms of Arthritis will be distributed at this meeting.

TRALEE MILLENIUM PROBUS CLUB: Meetings held each Tuesday at 11am in the Meadowlands Hotel. New Members Welcome. Phone: 087 6352619.

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK:

The Spirit of the Lord has been given to us, the people of God. It is this Spirit which empowers us to bring good news to the poor, liberty to captives and to open the eyes of those who stray from the ways of the Lord. Try to always be eye witnesses to the healing and teaching of Jesus Christ. After all, you are an indispensable part of the body, a rock to those in need of healing and hope....

St John's Social Justice and Peace Committee