



St. John's Parish, Tralee

28th February 2016

Third Sunday of Lent

Parish Centre Opening Hours: Monday - Saturday 9.15am - 1pm & 2pm - 4.45pm.
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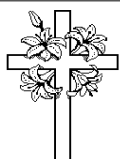
SAFEGUARDING CHILDREN IN DIOCESE OF KERRY:

St. John's Parish representatives' contact number is 087 1093893

PLEASE PRAY FOR:

- **Mary O'Halloran** née McMahon, Ballyard.
- **Catherine (Babs) McElligott**, Cluaindara.
- **Michael Quirke**, Lewis Road, Killarney and late of Derrymore.
- **Eileen McGillicuddy**, née Kelleher, Riverside Drive, Castleisland and late of Ballyard, Tralee.
- **Kathleen Sheffield** née O'Callaghan, Connolly Park and formerly Mitchels Avenue. Funeral Mass in St. John's Church on Sunday at 12 noon followed by burial in New Rath Cemetery.

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



YEAR OF MERCY

"God's forgiveness is stronger than any sin."

Pope Francis

THE THEME OF MERCY IN THE GOSPEL: a talk by Fr. Michael Mullins, PP, DD, LSS for all looking to deepen their spiritual understanding of the inspired Word. Saturday March 5th in Our Lady and St. Brendan's Pastoral Centre from 11am to 1pm. Organised by Kerry Diocesan Bible Ministry Committee.

COUPLES FOR CHRIST: invites you to a Christian Life Programme (CLP) on March 19th, 20th and April 2nd and 3rd from 1pm—5pm in St. John's Parish Centre. Couples for Christ was founded in the Philippines in 1981 and was recognised by the Pontifical Council for the Laity in 2000. For more information contact 087 2056004 or visit www.couplesforchristglobal.org.

ARDFERT RETREAT CENTRE:

Year of Mercy A Course on Faith by Fr. Sean Sheehy continues on Wed. 9th March at 7pm.

Padre Pio by Michael Clifford Monday, 14th March at 7.00pm.

Contact: Ardfert Retreat Centre 066 7134276

BEGINNING EXPERIENCE: is a specially designed Support Programme for men and women who have suffered the loss of a spouse by death, separation or divorce to help them to work through the grief process, and to discover for themselves that merely "existing" in life can be transformed into "living" a new life, though a different one. The next weekend is being held in the Ennismore Retreat Centre, Cork from Fri 8th Apr to Sun 10th April. Application Forms and further details from 087 9886480 or email beginningexperience@gmail.com

ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS Open Public Meeting, Monday February 29th at 8.30pm in the Presentation Prefabs, Upper Castle Street. All welcome.

GAELSCOIL MHC EASMAINN TRÁ LÍ: is now enrolling new pupils for Sept. 2016. If considering an All Irish Education for your child tá fáilte romhat go dtí ár Lá Oscailte/Open Day Wednesday March 9th from 11.00am-12.00 noon or 6-7pm where you and your child can meet us, and see Gaelscoil Mhic Easmainn ag obair. For further info. please phone 066 7121394

COLÁISTE ÍDE: All-Irish Boarding School for Girls, Open Day 12th March from 12 noon to 5p.m. Coláiste Íde, Dingle, Phone: 0669151211. Email: info@colaisteide.com Web: www.colaisteide.com

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

FAIRTRADE CELEBRATES 20 YEARS - Consider making the choice to buy Fairtrade products like tea, coffee, sugar and/or bananas. This will help farmers and their families in developing countries get a fair price and help their communities too. It's Fairtrade Fortnight 29th February to 13th March (see www.fairtrade.ie).

AWARE: Depression Support Group meets:

Killarney – Mondays, KDYS at 7pm

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

KERRY PEER SUPPORT NETWORK: runs a Recovery Group every Wednesday from 10.30am to 11.30am in Rahooanane Community Centre. The group is led by people with self-experience of mental health challenges. No referrals needed so just come along and join us.

MERCY MOUNTHAWK SCHOOL:

Monster Bingo fundraiser this Sunday, February 28th at 3pm in the school gym. Prize pot of €4000 on the day.

Annual Table Quiz in the Brogue Inn, Thursday 3rd March at 8pm. All support welcome.

A LECTURE ENTITLED 'The Irish Volunteers' by Dr. Daithí Ó Corráin, Member and Author, Coláiste Pádraig, Drumcondra, will take place in Killarney Library on Tuesday 1st March at 7.30pm. All are welcome.

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BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT SERVICES:

Anam Cara Parent Bereavement support offers support to bereaved parents and siblings Contact (085) 288 8888

Meala bereavement Support Groups are open to people who have experienced the death of a loved one, family member, friend or neighbour. Contact (066) 71 80190

CHILD AND YOUTH SUPPORT SERVICES:

Jigsaw Kerry (12-25 year olds) provides free, confidential and one-to-one support, guidance and advice for young people who are presenting with mild to moderate mental health issues. Contact (066) 71 86785

Rainbows Ireland supports children and young people experiencing loss as a result of bereavement. Contact (066) 71 25932

SUICIDE SUPPORTS:

Console offers suicide bereavement counselling and support for individuals, children, adolescents and families who have experienced the loss of a family member, friend or colleague by suicide. Contact: (066) 71 29700; 1800 247 247 (national helpline for anyone in crisis, concerned or bereaved); text HELP to 51444

Pieta House provides a free, therapeutic approach to people who are in suicidal distress and those who engage in self harm Contact (066) 71 63660

Samaritans helpline 24/7 provides emotional support for people Contact 116 123

For more information on mental health support services both locally and nationally, visit www.yourmentalhealth.ie

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK:

As part of God's flock He will never let you perish in the wilderness. He will never close His ears to your appeal or His eyes to your pain. Instead, He will be with you every time you stumble or fall to pick you up and carry you a little farther down the pathway of life. As a beloved child of His you stand on holy ground....

St John's Social Justice and Peace Committee

RECENT BAPTISMS:

With great joy we welcome

Charlotte Linda Higgins

Logan Day

Fionn Lyons

into our Christian community.



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

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

ST. JOSEPH'S YOUNG PRIESTS SOCIETY: will meet in the Parish Centre on Wednesday 2nd March at 8.00 p.m. All welcome. The fifth sorrow and joy of St. Joseph: his sorrow when he had to flee into Egypt with the Jesus and Mary; his joy in being always with Jesus and Mary."So Joseph got up and, taking the child and his mother with him, left that night for Egypt, where he stayed until Herod was dead."Mt. 2:14:15

THE LATIN MASS (1962 Missal) will be offered in Holy Cross Dominican Church, at 1.30pm on Sunday 6th March. and Sunday 13th March. More information from LatinMassTralee@gmail.com.

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