



St. John's Parish, Tralee

10th April 2016

Third Sunday of Easter

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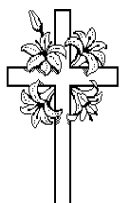
SAFEGUARDING CHILDREN IN DIOCESE OF KERRY:

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

PLEASE PRAY FOR:

- **Helen McSwiney**, née Milner
Oakview, Tralee and late of
O'Connor's Terrace, Boherbee and
The Courthouse.
- **Denis Shanahan**, Abbeydorney.
- **Mary O'Connor** née Ahearne,
Ballyrameen Lower, Castlemaine and formerly
of Dungarvan, Co Waterford.
- **Mary Speers** née O'Halloran, Douglas Isle of
Man and late of Upper Castle Street.
- **Thomas (Tommy) Doran**, Allmans Terrace
Killarney.

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



RECENT BAPTISMS:

With great joy we welcome

- Katie Houlihan**
- Luke Denis Baker**
- Lucy Ava Quain**
- Daniel Casey**
- Piotr Lange**

Kyle Eamon Curtin
into our Christian community.



RECENT WEDDINGS

Congratulations to

- Daniel Casey and Elaine Hayes**
 - Kevin Heffernan and Sinéad McMahon**
who married in St. John's parish recently.
- We pray that God will bless their marriages*



PETER'S PENCE: The Annual Diocesan collection in aid of Peter's Pence will be taken up at all Masses this weekend (April 9th/10th) as a joint Offertory collection. This collection supports the ministry of the Pope in his task of uniting the many different strands of the church and enables the many charitable initiatives promoted by the Holy Father.

CONFIRMATIONS: will take place in St. John's Church on Thursday and Friday of next week, April 21st and 22nd;

Thursday April 21st 11am: Presentation, Gaelscoil Mhic Easmainn, Caherleaheen, Blennerville and Derryquay schools.

Friday April 22nd 11am: Moyderwell and C.B.S. schools.

Video recording or photography is not allowed during the actual ceremony. We wish every grace and blessing on those receiving their confirmation and on those who helped prepare them.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION: will be held as usual next Friday (April 15th) from 10.30am to 6.10pm in St John's Church but will **not be held on Friday April 22nd due to Confirmation ceremonies.**

EASTER OFFERINGS: We thank you for returning these envelopes to the Parish Office or placing them in the Collection Plate.

MEETING THE NEIGHBOURS: Thursday April 28th in St. John's Church of Ireland, Ashe Street at 8.00pm.

FII CYCLONE...A RESPONSE: St. John's Parish Centre. Wednesday 13th April 7.30pm. Cyclone Winston, the most powerful storm to hit Fiji in recorded history, has recently devastated the small island nation. The cyclone took over 40 lives and has left tens of thousands of people homeless. The Columban missionaries, who have been working in Fiji since 1951, would appreciate our help. You are invited to hear the story of the impact on the communities where the missionaries work and to make a response to help our brothers and sisters in Fiji. Fr Dan Ahern, Columban Missionary, who worked in Fiji for forty years, will speak.

ARDFERT RETREAT CENTRE:

Year of Mercy: A Course on Faith by Fr. Seán Sheehy, continues Wed, 13th April at 7.00pm.

Enneagram: Friday, April 22nd - Sunday, April 24th. Contact 066 7134276.

Capacitar: Saturday, 30th April, 9.45am-4.00pm. Self Care Day: Practical skills for stress management and emotional wellness. Contact: Betty Garnett 0872498061. Ref: www.capacitar-ireland.org

EARTH WEEK EVENT: 'Care for Our Common Home'
Talk by Fr Sean Mc Donagh, SSC entitled *The Prophetic Challenge of Laudato Si'* (i.e. Encyclical Letter of Pope Francis '*On Care for Our Common Home*'). Thursday 21st April 2016 at 7.30pm in Our Lady and St. Brendan's Pastoral Centre, Upper Rock Street. Fr McDonagh will also launch his new book, similarly titled *On Care for Our Common Home*.

EARTH WEEK from April 17th to 23rd is an initiative of the Diocese of Kerry Justice, Peace and Integrity of Creation Committee [JPIC]. The committee raises awareness of Catholic Social Teaching by encouraging action, by providing resources and building networks with other groups. This year, in response to Pope Francis' letter on the environment, *Laudato Si* - one of the cares Francis asks us to respond to is the loss of biodiversity and this is our chosen theme for Earth Week 2016. A limited number of leaflets on how each individual can respond to the challenge are available at the back of St. John's Church and it can also be downloaded from www.dioceseofkerry.ie

PILGRIMAGE TO POLAND FOR THE YEAR OF MERCY: September 19th to 26th. Visiting the Shrine of Divine Mercy, Shrine of St. John Paul II, Salt mine in Vielczka, Auschwitz, Wadowice and more. Cost €600 plus flight. Different options available. Spiritual Director Fr. Piotr Delimat. For further details contact John in Sol Travel 066 7124111.

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

PIONEERS: The monthly meeting of St. John's Pioneer Centre will be held in the Parish Centre on Thursday April 14th at 8.00pm.

ST. JOSEPH'S YOUNG PRIESTS SOCIETY will meet on Wednesday April 13th. in the Parish Centre at 8.00 p.m. All welcome.

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

YOUTH 2000: Munster Retreat for those aged between 16 and 35 in St. Brendan's College, Killarney. Friday 15th to Sunday 17th of April. A weekend of prayer, music, workshops and inspiring talks. Food and accommodation provided for, bring a sleeping bag! Donations only. Information from 01 6753690.

MASS: in honour of St. Padre Pio will be celebrated in Our Lady and St. Brendan's Church at 6.30pm on Tuesday, April 12th.

MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER WEEKEND: for married couples at the Cork International Hotel April 15th–17th. For more information and or to book see www.marriageencounter.ie or contact 086 8334382, 087 2162436

ANAM CARA: is holding its monthly Parent Evening on Tuesday 12th of April from 17:30pm to 9:00pm in Recovery Haven 5 Haigs Terrace, Killerisk. All Anam Cara Services are available free of charge to bereaved parents.

KERRY 2016 OFFICIAL CEREMONIES:

To commemorate the Ring Brothers & Rosalie Rice, Valentia Island Sunday 17th April 2016 at 3pm – everyone welcome;

To commemorate Roger Casement, Banna Thursday 21st April arrival by 11.00am, full State Ceremony commences 11.15am – no ticket required, everybody welcome.

"PATRICK": The 1916 story of Captain Patrick O' Connor, Rathmore. A musical drama, written and directed Aidan O' Connor at Rathmore Community Centre, Sat 23rd and Sun 24th of April at 8.00pm. Tickets €10. Booking 064 7758588 .

DEAFHEAR.IE outreach clinic Friday April 15th from 10.30am – 12.30pm at Kingdom Voluntary Housing Association, Clogher Esta, Hawley Park. For information call 087-2723862. Our consultations are private and confidential.

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK: *Life, there can be times when we have to travel a pathway we would rather not. There can be burdens to carry, losses to endure, days when we feel we have nothing but pain and loneliness to live through. But by God's own right hand will all those who suffer be raised up. When God promises to feed his sheep he does so by giving them power, wisdom, strength, glory and blessing-food for the journey of life.*
St John's Social Justice and Peace Committee