



St. John's Parish, Tralee

22nd January 2017

Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

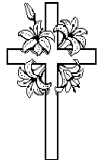
Parish Centre Opening Hours: Monday - Saturday 9.15am - 1pm & 2pm - 4.45pm.
Tel: 066 7122522. Website: www.stjohns.ie E-mail: stjohnscastlestreet@eircom.net

SAFEGUARDING CHILDREN IN DIOCESE OF KERRY:

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

PLEASE PRAY FOR:

- ✠ **Thomas Lyons**, Balloonagh Estate
- ✠ **Mary McElligott**, née Griffin, St. Joseph's Estate, Spa Road.
- ✠ **Dermot Houlihan**, Mitchels Court.
- ✠ **Margaret O'Mahony**, née O'Carroll, Clogher Esta, and formerly of Marian Park.
- ✠ **Anna Maria (Nancy) Trant** née O'Donoghue, St. Brendan's Park and formerly of Kenmare
- ✠ **Olivia Griffin**, Killeen, Gortatlea.
who died recently and for all those whose anniversaries occur at this time.



RECENT BAPTISMS:

With great joy we welcome

- **Autumn Cronin**
- **Ellie Mai Sayers**
- **James Quilligan**
- *into our Christian community.*



CURRAHEEN CHURCH VIGIL MASS TIME: The result of the ballot las weekend was an exact tie between retaining the Vigil Mass at 8pm and change to 7.30pm with little support for the Winter/Summer option. Because of this another ballot will take place on the weekend of February 3rd-4th on just **TWO** options:

- 1) Retain Vigil Mass time at 8pm
- 2) Change Vigil mass time to 7.30pm.

Ballot papers will be distributed and completed on entry to the Church and each person may have one vote. Hopefully this will give a decisive result.

WORLD DAY OF THE SICK: Mass, with Anointing of the Sick and a Blessing for their carers will be celebrated in St. John's Church on Saturday February 11th at 2.00pm. Refreshments will be served in the Parish Centre after Mass. All welcome.

MINISTERS OF THE WORD ST. JOHN'S CHURCH: If you are interested in being a Minister of the Word in St. John's Church at Masses on the weekend, weekdays or both please give in your name and contact details to the Parish Centre 066 7122522.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY: will resume on the first Sunday of Lent, March 5th, at the 10.30am Mass in St. John's. All children aged 4—8 years are welcome to participate. Mass leaflets for children available at the back of St John's every Sunday

EXPLORING THE SUNDAY GOSPEL: Would you like to have a better understanding of the Gospel you hear on Sunday? Join us on Tuesday mornings in the St. John's Parish Centre from 10.30am to 11.30am.

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 6.10pm Vigil Mass in St. John's Church on Saturday February 25th. If you qualify please give your name and payment for pin to St. John's Parish Centre as soon as possible. Closing date Wednesday February 15th.

CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK will be celebrated throughout the country from the 29th January – February 4th. We pray for teachers, pupils, parents and all who work in the field of education; may they embrace the future with hope as they serve our community.

AN ECUMENICAL PRAYER SERVICE: for the week of prayer for Christian Unity will take place this Sunday, January 22nd at 3 p.m. in St. Mary's Church of Ireland, Killarney. All welcome.

ST. BRIGID'S CROSSES : will be on sale in Curraheen Church at the Vigil and Sunday Mass next weekend, January 28th and 29th in aid of Derryquay National School.

ARDFERT RETREAT CENTRE: Contact: 066 7134276 or ardfertretreat@eircom.net.

The Faith Prayed: Fr. Seán Sheehy, Wed 25th January from 7.00pm to 8.30pm

Self Care Day: Practical skills for stress management and emotional wellness, Saturday, 28th January from 9.45am to 4.00pm Contact Anna O'Donoghue 0879447105. Ref. capacitar-Ireland.org

Ardfert Historical Lecture Series: Agriculture on the Crosbie Estate by Tommy O'Connor, Thurs. 2nd Feb. 8.00pm-10.00pm.

Keeping Hope Alive: Josephine Fitzgibbon & Mick Joyce, Sat. 4th Feb. 10.00am-4.00pm.

KERRY SAMARITANS will be recruiting new volunteers shortly. Information times: Sat Feb 4th at 12 noon, Sun Feb 5th at 3pm, Mon Feb 6th at 7.30pm at 43/44 Moyderwell. Enquiries to 087 9158779.

If you need to talk to the Samaritans Freephone 116123. We are always there round the clock, every single day of the year

PRESENTATION PRIMARY SCHOOL ENROLEMENT FOR NEW PUPILS is now taking place. Enrolment/Registration forms are available from the school office. Contact: Presentation Primary School, Castle Street, Tralee. Telephone: 066 7123314, email: info@presprimarytralee.com or visit our website www.presprimarytralee.com

ROMEO AND JULIET: Mercy Secondary School Mounthawk presents "Romeo and Juliet". Siamsa Tire Theatre, 8pm Thursday January 26th to Saturday 28th. Telephone 066 7123055. Tickets €12/10.

DEAFHEAR.IE outreach clinic on Friday 10th of February from 10.30am – 12.30pm at Clogher Esta, Hawley Park. Clinics on hearing loss offer support and advice, cleaning and basic maintenance of hearing aids and information on entitlements. For information call 087-2723862. Consultations are private and confidential.

BLOOD DONOR CLINIC: at The Brandon Hotel, From January 23rd to 26th. Monday 5pm to 8.30pm. Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday 3pm to 5pm and 7pm to 9pm. Visit giveblood.ie or phone 1850 731 137 for more information.

DISCUSSION ON WOMEN'S HEALTH & WELLBEING for all ages. Thursday January 26th at 7.15pm in the Manor West Hotel with Dr. Mary McCaffrey (Consultant Obstetrician/Gynaecologist) and Dr. Haroon (Consultant Rheumatologist). This event is presented by Sam McCauley Chemists, Tralee and admission is free.

THE MEDJUGORJE MESSENGER: which replaces the Medjugorje Herald is now available from the Kerry Bookshop (Caballs) Tralee.

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

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

STUDY THEOLOGY BY DISTANCE LEARNING: with the Priory Institute. Visit www.prioryinstitute.com or Phone: 01 4048124 Application deadline 28th February.

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK:

When we are oppressed by the cares of this world we struggle to see the light. When the heartache within us weighs us down, there is nothing but penetrating and aching pain. Every second, every minute, every hour feels like an eternity. No beginning and no end to the deep ache within. Try not to lose hope. Do not let the snare of hopelessness entrap you. Trust that light will be yours once more.....
Margaret Theresa Naughton