



St. John's Parish, Tralee

5th February 2017

Fifth 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

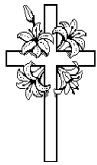
PLEASE PRAY FOR:

✠ **Bill Horgan**, Cloondara Oakpark and formerly of Mountcollins Co. Limerick and Killarney.

✠ **John Maher**, Windmill Court, Blennerville and formerly Railway Terrace. Funeral Mass at 12 noon on Sunday in St. John's Church followed by burial in Old Rath.

✠ **Michael (Mickey) O'Hanlon Snr.** Ashill, Ballymacelligott.

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



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 next 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.

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.

ARE YOU INTERESTED IN BECOMING A PRIEST?: "Come and See" - a Vocations Event will take place on 17th and 18th February in the Pallottine House in Thurles. This event is open to men from the ages of 18 to 40. Eighteen men attended a similar event last year. Gathering at 6.00 pm and finishing Saturday afternoon advance booking is required. Contact Fr Michael Moynihan at 087 6551902 or Fr Liam Comer 087 2401246 for more details. 'The harvest is rich but the labourers are few'. See everything. Overlook a great deal. Improve a little. (Pope John XXIII).

A WORKSHOP FOR PARISH CANTORS: will take place on Tuesday, 21st March 2017 from 7:30 - 10.00pm in John Paul II Pastoral Centre, Rock Road, Killarney. For more information and booking contact Tomás Kenny on tomaskenny@dioceseofkerry.ie or (086) 3683778.

TRÓCAIRE VOLUNTEERS: 'Faith cannot be just words or beliefs, but must reach out to others, especially those in need' - Pope Francis. Trócaire is looking for volunteers to bring social justice alive in parishes. Information from Fr Michael Moynihan, Trócaire Representative Kerry, 087 6551902- moyparish@gmail.com - or Sinead Morgan, Trócaire Cork 021 4275622 - sinead.morgan@trocaire.org

CURRAHEEN CHURCH VIGIL MASS TIME: The result of the previous ballot 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 this weekend of February 4th-5th 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.

DIOCESAN COLLECTION FOR LOURDES HELPERS: Volunteer helpers will speak at all Masses next weekend (February 11th/12th) and will welcome donations after all Masses. This collection supports volunteer carers and nursing staff who provide full time assistance to 50 or so assisted pilgrims each year. The Carers are responsible for the physical, emotional and social needs of the assisted pilgrims for the entire week and are on duty from 6am till 11pm daily.

CAPITAL FUND ENVELOPES: New boxes of envelopes for the coming year are available for collection at the Parish Centre. If possible please bring in the top of the old box with the number on it. Contributing weekly by means of our envelope system is of great benefit to the parish and we invite interested parishioners to contact the Parish Centre to receive a box of envelopes or get further information.

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

The Faith Prayed: Fr. Seán Sheehy, Wed 8th February from 7.00pm to 8.30pm

Reflection Day with Bishop Brendan Comiskey: Sat. 18th Feb. (open to all) and Sun. 19th Feb. 10.00am-5.00pm (for those in recovery, family & friends).

Evening for All Ministers of The Eucharist within the Kerry Diocese by Bishop Emeritus Bill Murphy, Tues. 21st Feb. 7.00pm

KERRY SAMARITANS will be recruiting new volunteers shortly. Information times: 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

TEXT ALERT: Curraheen Community Council will host a TEXT ALERT meeting on Tuesday, Feb 7th in Derryquay School at 7.30pm. Everybody from Derrymore to Blennerville, Ballydunlea, Clahane, Skehanagh and Caherweesheen are invited to attend. TEXT ALERT has been proven to help tackle and prevent crime nationwide.

MOYDERWELL MERCY PRIMARY SCHOOL is currently enrolling for 2017/2018 school year. Open Invitation to attend an Audio Visual Presentation and view our school facilities - Thursday, 16th February at 7.00 p.m. in School Assembly Hall.

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

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.

BR. JOHN CONWAY SJ 40TH ANNIVERSARY: To commemorate the 40th anniversary of Br John Conway SJ, Missionary who gave his life at the Musami Mission Station in Zimbabwe, there will be prayers at his memorial in St John's Park (near the Ashe Hotel) on Monday 6th February at 5.30pm

SPRING DAYS AT GLENSTAL:

'**Benedict 101**' - How according to St Benedict can we run with the unspeakable joy of love in our lives today - Saturday 11th Feb.

'**Ageing Well**' - As we live longer, can we age well - Saturday 4th March.

Information from 061.621000, www.glenstal.com
Or email: events@glenstal.com

LEARN CHINESE: in St Brendan's College, Killarney. Certified by UCC Confucius Institute. 10 week course €50. Register with the school 064 6631021. First night: Monday 6th February 7pm - 9pm.

ACTION LESOTHO a Kerry Based Charity are hosting an evening for and about the people of the Kingdom of Lesotho in the Rose Hotel on Thursday 9th February at 8pm. All welcome.

ANAM CARA the national organisation that supports bereaved parents. Bereavement Information Evening on Tuesday February 14th from 7:30pm to 9:30pm in the Meadowlands Hotel. This free event is open to all bereaved parents. As Anam Cara will need to confirm numbers for event, please RSVP to info@anamcara.ie before Monday 13th February or call 01 4045378.

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

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK:

You are the light of the world! It is you, you alone who has the capacity to make a real difference in the world you live in. How can that be you may wonder? Because you are the vessel through which the light and hope of Christ shines when you are kind, compassionate and merciful towards others...

Margaret Theresa Naughton