



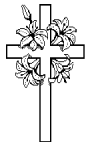
# St. John's Parish, Tralee

7<sup>th</sup> May 2017

## Fourth Sunday of Easter—Vocations Sunday

### PLEASE PRAY FOR:

- ✠ **Fr. Pat Moore**, Asdee, Listowel and former PP Duagh.
- ✠ **Stephen Edwards**, St. Brendan's Road.
- ✠ **Rita O'Regan**, née Treacy, The Kerries
- ✠ **Ann O'Leary**, Shanakill and formerly of Scartaglin.
- ✠ **Nora (Ciss) Ryan**, Garryruth. Funeral Mass on Sunday at 12 noon in St. John's Church followed by burial in New Rath.



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

### RECENT WEDDINGS

*Congratulations to*

**Conor Burke and Noelle O'Connor**  
**Gary Moriarty and Sharon O'Sullivan**

*who married in St. John's parish recently.  
We pray that God will bless your marriage.*



### RECENT BAPTISMS:

*With great joy we welcome:*

**Harper Lily Horan**  
**Jack Moynihan**

*into our Christian community.*



### FIRST COMMUNIONS:

**Saturday May 13<sup>th</sup>:** 10.30am St. John's Church: Presentation Primary.

**Saturday May 20<sup>th</sup>:** 10.30am St. John's Church. C.B.S. Primary School.

**Saturday May 27<sup>th</sup>:** 10.30am St. John's Church. Gaelscoil Mhic Easmainn.

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

**FIRST COMMUNION PARKING:** We invite families for First Communion to park in the car park near the Church as the avenue and space in front of St. John's is a 'No Parking' area for safety and emergency reasons.

**SATURDAY MORNING MASSES IN ST. JOHN'S CHURCH FOR THE MONTH OF MAY** will be at 10.30am which will be First Communion Masses. There will be no 10am Mass.



### Life in the Spirit Seminar

Church of The Immaculate Conception, Rathass continues on Wednesday May 10<sup>th</sup> at 7.30pm and will be presented by George McAuliffe. The theme for this fourth evening is 'Receiving God's Gifts'

**CONGRATULATIONS:** to the pupils from Moyderwell, Caherleaheen and Blennerville National Schools who received their First Holy Communion this weekend. A special word of thanks to all who helped prepare the children for this very special event.

**MISSIONARIES OF AFRICA (WHITE FATHERS)** will hold their mission appeal at all Masses next weekend of May 13<sup>th</sup>/14<sup>th</sup>. We encourage your support for their work in various mission countries. Your support is very much appreciated.

**NEIGHBOURHOOD MASS:** Communities interested in organising an Area Mass for their neighbourhood are asked to contact their local priest through the Parish Centre ( 066 7122522) to make the necessary arrangements.

**MEETING THE NEIGHBOURS:** A meeting with parishioners from St John's in Ashe Street will take place on Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> May at 8pm in Teach an Solas, Ashe Street.

**DONAL WALSH #LIVELIFE:** 4<sup>th</sup> Anniversary and Youth Mass will be celebrated on Friday May 12<sup>th</sup> at 12 noon in St. John's Church. All Welcome.

**VOCATIONS:** *"Commitment to mission is not something added on to the Christian life as a kind of decoration, but is instead an essential element of faith itself. A relationship with the Lord, entails being sent out into the world as prophets of his word and witnesses of his love."* - Pope Francis. On Good Shepherd Sunday we reflect on the need for vocations. If you feel called to the priesthood and would like to find out more, please contact Fr Michael Moynihan 087 6551902 or Fr Liam Comer 066 7134131 or visit dioceseofkerry.ie

**PIONEERS:** The next meeting of St. John's Pioneer Centre will be held on Thursday May 11<sup>th</sup> at 8.00 pm in St. John's Parish Centre.

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

### SAFEGUARDING CHILDREN AND VULNERABLE ADULTS IN THE DIOCESE OF KERRY:

DESIGNATED LIASON PERSON FOR SAFEGUARDING: 087 6362780

**EVENING OF PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS:** St. Joseph's Young Priests Society invite you to an evening of prayer for vocations, beginning with Rosary, Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, Benediction and concluding with the celebration of Holy Mass on Wednesday next, 10<sup>th</sup> May in St. John's Church (side chapel) at 7.00pm.

**ANNUAL MAY PROCESSION IN RATH CEMETERY** will take place this Sunday May 7<sup>th</sup> at 3pm.

**KERRY STROKE SUPPORT GROUP** Health & Well Being Day on May 26<sup>th</sup> from 10.30am to 3pm in Baile Mhuire Day Care Centre Tralee for people who have had a Stroke. Inputs from various Medical and Wellbeing Therapists including Dr. Richard Liston, Consultant Geriatrician from University Hospital Kerry. **BOOKING ESSENTIAL.** Cost €10.00. Limited Availability. For further info contact Denise on 066 7123373.

**KERRY WOMEN WRITERS' NETWORK** are holding a series of Readings and Talks reflecting on The Written Word. The first talk is on 13<sup>th</sup> May at The Meadowlands Hotel from 5-7pm. Admission €10, refreshments served. Keynote speaker will be Mary McEvoy.

**DEAFHEAR.IE** outreach clinic on Friday 12<sup>th</sup> of May 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. Phone 087-2723862. Consultations are private and confidential.

**GREEN RIBBON CAMPAIGN:** Get involved in the Green Ribbon campaign over the month of May and let's get the conversation going around mental health in Kerry. You can pick up a green ribbon from your local library. You don't need to be an expert to start talking about mental health or have all the answers. Sometimes the most helpful thing you can do is to let someone know that you are there for them and simply listen. For more information: please contact Julieann Lane, Resource Officer for Suicide Prevention, HSE Phone (086) 0278272

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

**THE IRISH BLOOD TRANSFUSION SERVICE:** will hold a Blood Donor Clinic in The BRANDON HOTEL Monday 8<sup>th</sup> to Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> May. Monday 5pm - 8.30pm. Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday 3pm - 5pm and 7pm - 9pm. Blood Donation is essential to ensure Hospital Patients get the treatment they need. One Donation can save up to 3 Lives. Full details of all clinics and on Giving Blood can be found on [www.giveblood.ie](http://www.giveblood.ie) or by telephoning 021 4807400 or 1850 731 137

**ANAM CARA**, the organisation that supports bereaved parents, is holding its next monthly Parent Evening on Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> of May from 7:30pm to 9:00pm in Recovery Haven, 5 Haigs Terrace, Killerisk. This event is open to all bereaved parents regardless of the age your child died, the circumstances of their death, or whether the death was recent or not.

**PILGRIMAGE TO POLAND** to include Krakow, Czestochowa and Warsaw. 22<sup>nd</sup> - 30<sup>th</sup> August, 2017. Spiritual Director: Fr. Piotr Delimat. For further information contact: PREMIER TRAVEL on 021-4277700 email: [norardy@premiertravel.ie](mailto:norardy@premiertravel.ie)

**KERRY DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES:** Led by Bishop Ray Browne. *The Almighty has done great things for me!* September 2<sup>nd</sup> - 7<sup>th</sup>. Flights ex Kerry Airport. Further information from Mrs Janice O'Sullivan at 064 775 8219 or email [joskdp@eircom.net](mailto:joskdp@eircom.net).

**PILGRIMAGE TO FATIMA/ALGARVE:** Led by Mons. Dan O'Riordan. 11<sup>th</sup> to 18<sup>th</sup> September. 4 nights in Fatima and 3 Nights in the Algarve. Contact Premier Travel on 021 4277700 or email [norardy@premiertravel.ie](mailto:norardy@premiertravel.ie).

**THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK:** *The Lord Jesus Christ came to live and die upon this earth so that we, his people, may have life and be able to live it to the full. This was and is such a wonderful and benevolent gift but how often do we cut the heart of our Saviour God into pieces when we reject his Word? How thankless are we when we turn our backs to Him and walk away from the path of righteousness? The Lord is our Shepherd and we pray this week to have the strength and conviction never to leave the sheepfold....*

Margaret Theresa Naughton