



St. John's Parish, Tralee

21st May 2017

Sixth Sunday of Easter

PLEASE PRAY FOR:

- ✠ **John Cooke**, Ballyrickard.
- ✠ **Mary Williams**, Caherina and formerly of Ballydunlea.
- ✠ **Gerald Fitzgerald**, Cuas, West Kerry.
- ✠ **Brendan Borderick**, Oakpark Cross and London.
who died recently and for all those whose anniversaries occur at this time.



Life in the Spirit Seminar



The sixth night of the seminar will be held Church of The Immaculate Conception, Rathass this week on **Wednesday** May 24th at 7.30pm on the theme of 'Growth' which will be presented by John Delaney.

DIOCESAN COLLECTION: The annual collection for Education of Priests will be taken up at all Masses this weekend, May 20th/21st as a joint Offertory Collection. The fund provides for the education of a future generation of priests whose ministry will continue to be vital in our Diocese.

PERU MISSION APPEAL: Fr. David O'Connor will make an appeal on behalf of his mission in Peru at the Masses in St. John's Church on the of weekend June 3rd and 4th.

GROUPS WISHING TO USE THE PARISH CENTRE please contact the Parish Office on 066 7122522. You must have your own public liability insurance and if appropriate safeguarding children and vulnerable adults policies.

INFORMATION EVENING ON PASTORAL MINISTRY AND YOUTH MINISTRY COURSES will be held in St. John's Parish Centre on Tuesday June 6th at 7.30pm. These courses are a great opportunity to explore and deepen your faith.

TRALEE COURSE IN PASTORAL MINISTRY: Enrolment for the diocesan Course in Pastoral Ministry is now taking place. The course will be held over 20 Wednesday evenings, 8-10pm in St. John's Pastoral Centre, Tralee during 2017/18. This course is for those involved in their parish who would like to deepen their experience and understanding of their faith and ministry. If you are interested, contact Frances Rowland 064 66302538 or francesrowland@dioceseofkerry.ie or to chat with their parish priest. Application forms are available on www.dioceseofkerry.ie

YOUTH MINISTRY COURSE: aimed at adults (over 21 yrs.) volunteers and professionals interested in working and journeying with young people in a parish, school, youth service or other settings. More information: tomaskenny@dioceseofkerry.ie or phone Tomás on 086 3683778

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 AND VULNERABLE ADULTS IN THE DIOCESE OF KERRY:
DESIGNATED LIASON PERSON FOR SAFEGUARDING: 087 6362780

YOUTH PILGRIMAGE TO TAIZÉ for 18 to 35 year olds. The diocese is still recruiting for the youth pilgrimage to Taizé. The pilgrimage will take place from June 25th until July 2nd. Taizé is a famous place of pilgrimage for young people located in the Burgundy region of France. Please contact Tomás Kenny of the diocesan pastoral team email tomaskenny@dioceseofkerry.ie or telephone 086 3683778 or for more information or contact the Parish Centre.

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

SUNDAY FUNERALS Bishop Ray Browne has announced the following; From the September 1st 2017, no funerals will take place on a Sunday in the parishes of the diocese of Kerry i.e. Mass, Funeral Service or Burial. Some people will have reservations about this decision. It has not been taken lightly but after extensive consultation with laity and clergy throughout the diocese. After September 1st 2017, Removals to the church can take place on either Saturday or Sunday evening with Funeral Mass on Monday. This change is necessary for many reasons, including the primary focus of Sunday Mass i.e. the celebration of the Parish Mass; and Sunday Funerals will no longer be sustainable in every parish since five parishes no longer have a resident priest. As regards Holy Days of Obligation the rule will apply to Christmas Day and St Patrick's Day. On the other Holy Days of Obligation, the decision is left to the local parish.

ARDFERT RETREAT CENTRE Bookings and information call 066 713 4276.

Diocesan Adoration Day: Led by Fr. Bernard Healy, C.C., on Thursday 1st June 9.30am-4.00pm.

Self Care Day: Practical skills for stress management and emotional wellness, Saturday 3rd June 9.45am-4.00pm. Contact: Anna O'Donoghue 0879447105 Ref. capacitar-Ireland.org

Our Lady of Fatima 1st Saturday Monthly Devotion: Saturday 3rd June 4.00pm-6.00pm.

TRALEE DIABETES SUPPORT GROUP: will be held next Thursday May 25th in the Rose Hotel at 7:30pm

The LATIN MASS (1962 Missal) will be offered in Holy Cross Dominican Church, Tralee on Sunday 4th June, at 1.30pm. More info from: LatinMassTralee@gmail.com

SOLEMN NOVENA IN HONOUR OF ST. ANTHONY: 4th-13th June in the Franciscan Friary, Killarney.

FREE DAYTIME EDUCATION FOR ADULTS: at Tralee VTOS. We are hosting an Open Information Morning on Wednesday May 24th from 10 – 1 p.m. Courses on Offer include QQI3 and QQI4 programmes as well as a 2 year Leaving Cert. If you are over 21 and on a social welfare payment for at least 6 months, please call or contact us at 066 7121041/0860278978

KERRY STROKE SUPPORT GROUP Health & Well Being Day on May 26th 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 at University Hospital Kerry. **BOOKING ESSENTIAL.** Cost €10.00. Limited Availability. For further info contact Denise on 066 7123373.

PILGRIMAGE TO POLAND to include Krakow, Czestochowa and Warsaw. 22nd – 30th August, 2017. Spiritual Director: Fr. Piotr Delimat. For further information contact: PREMIER TRAVEL on 021- 4277700 email: norardy@premiertravel.ie

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

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

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK: *Reverence the Lord Christ in your hearts. Try to keep him at the centre of all that you think and strive to do. With Christ at the epicentre of your life you will be an advocate, a beacon of hope, and a symbol of truth for all who suffer and struggle. With Christ as your friend and brother you can be the friend of others....*
Margaret Theresa Naughton

RECENT BAPTISMS:

With great joy we welcome:

Isla Fealy
Fionn Healy
into our Christian community.



FIRST COMMUNIONS: Saturday May 27th. 10.30am in St. John's Church. Gaelscoil Mhic Easmainn.

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.

CONGRATULATIONS: to the pupils from C.B.S Primary School 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.

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.

The following area Masses have already been scheduled:

Oakpark Demesne: Wednesday May 31st at 8pm.

Racecourse Lawn: Friday June 2nd at 7.30pm.

Kerins Park: Wednesday June 7th at 7pm.

Ashgrove: Thursday June 8th at 7pm

Knockmoyle: Monday June 26th at 7.30pm.

Ballinorig Estate & Close: Mon. July 3rd at 7.30pm

O'Rahilly's Villas: Friday July 28th at 7pm.