



St. John's Parish, Tralee

29th October 2017

Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Parish Centre Opening Hours: Monday - Saturday 9.15am - 1pm & 2pm - 4.45pm.
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SAFEGUARDING CHILDREN AND VULNERABLE ADULTS IN THE DIOCESE OF KERRY:
DESIGNATED LIASON PERSON: 087 6362780

PLEASE PRAY FOR:

✠ **Maurice McCarthy**, Oakpark and formerly of Youghal Co. Cork

✠ **Sr. Betty O'Dowd**, Presentation Community, Tralee and formerly of Cloghane, Caherciveen and Upland California.

✠ **Peg Fitzgerald**, née Murphy, Kerins Park and Old Spa Road and formerly of BaileLoisce, Ballydavid

✠ **Ellen Orman** née Kennelly, Caheranne Village.

✠ **Noreen O'Connor**, Titherington UK and Curraheen. Funeral arrangements later.

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



RECENT BAPTISM

With great joy we welcome:

Michaela Deborah Wrenn

into our Christian community.



FIRST FRIDAY November 3rd is the first Friday of the month. CONFESSIONS Thursday 4.30pm – 5.30pm.

REMINDER: St. John's Church. Masses on Bank Holiday Monday, October 30th, at 10am and 6.10pm. The Parish Centre will be closed.

CHANGES TO TIMES OF MASSES ON HOLYDAYS: Wednesday November 1st. All Saints is a Holyday of Obligation. The Parish Centre will be closed.

VIGIL MASSES ON TUESDAY EVENING:

St. John's Church: 6.10pm
Immaculate Conception Church, Rathass: 7pm
St. Brendan's Church, Curraheen: 8 pm

TIMES OF MASSES ON WEDNESDAY

St. John's 8.30am (bilingual) 10.00am and 6.10pm
Immaculate Conception, Rathass 12.30pm

RECONCILIATION: Confessions in preparation for November—the month of the Holy souls—will be held after the Vigil & Holyday Masses for All Saints Day 31st October & 1st November.

NOVEMBER ENVELOPES: are now being distributed to parishioners' homes. If you do not receive a November envelope, they are also available at the back of the Church. You can use your envelope to return a list of your beloved dead to be remembered during the parish November Masses for the Holy Souls, and for the customary November Offering for the support of the clergy. The priests of the parish thank you for your generosity.

MASS FOR THOSE WHO DIED DURING THE PAST YEAR will be celebrated next Friday, November 3rd in St. John's Church at 7.30pm. (This replaces the 6.10pm Mass on that evening).

GOD'S ACRE MASS will be celebrated on Wednesday November 8th at 3.00pm

NOVEMBER MASSES:

Masses for those on the November List:
St John's Church: Friday 10th, 17th & 24th at 6.10pm
St Brendan's Church, Curraheen: Thurs 9th at 7.30pm.

The Church of The Immaculate Conception Wednesday 15th at 7pm.

ROSARY IN RATH CEMETERY: every Tuesday night of November at 7.30pm

BLESSING OF THE GRAVES: Sunday November 5th. Annagh at 12.00 noon, Rath at 3.00pm.

EVENING OF REFLECTION AND SUPPORT FOR THE BEREAVED: Tuesday, November 21st at 7.30pm in St. John's Parish Centre.

NOVEMBER INDULGENCES for the Faithful Departed: At this time of the year, the Church invites us to remember our Faithful Departed and to give them a special share in the prayer of the Church and the Saints. Because of this, particular forms of prayer attract either a 'partial indulgence' (bringing the faithful departed closer to heavenly glory) or a 'plenary indulgence' (bringing on of the faithful departed into the fullness of heavenly glory.)

On All Souls' Day visiting a church to pray an Our Father and a Creed carries with it an indulgence. Between 1 November and 8 November, visiting a cemetery to pray for the Faithful Departed carries with it an indulgence.

One indulgence can be earned in any given day. For the indulgence to be a Plenary (or Full) indulgence, the following are required:

1. To receive Holy Communion within 20 days of the indulgence
2. To make a Sacramental Confession within 20 days of the indulgence
3. To pray for the intentions of the Holy Father.
4. To be without attachment to/affection for sin.

KERRY UNIVERSITY HOSPITAL: The annual November Mass for patients (including those who died by stillbirth and miscarriage) who died in Kerry University Hospital during the year will be celebrated in the hospital chapel on Mon 6th Nov at 7.00pm. Relatives and friends invited.

TAX RELIEF ON CHARITABLE DONATIONS: In the changes to tax relief on donations to charities effective from 01/01/2013, St. John's Parish can successfully benefit from a tax rebate on contributions of €250 or more per annum. For instance, for the year 2015, the parish received a total of €32,815 from the scheme. The priests of the parish wish to thank all parishioners who continuously and so generously contribute to the parish. Thanks also to all those who participate in the tax rebate scheme and have kindly returned the tax rebate scheme certificate for 2016. A gentle reminder to anyone who may have overlooked doing so. If you are not already participating in the scheme and think you might be eligible, please contact Catherine Dwyer at the Parish Centre for further details.

CURRAHEEN TABLE QUIZ: In aid of the Curraheen Church Community Room Extension on Saturday November 11th in Keane's Bar at 9pm. All welcome.

CURRAHEEN COMMUNITY CHRISTMAS CONCERT will be held on Sunday December 10th. More details later.

ARDFERT RETREAT CENTRE Bookings and information call 066 713 4276.

AA Open Public Meeting: Held by Ardfert AA Local Group: Wed. 1st Nov., 8.30pm-10.00pm. All Welcome!

The Practice of Lectio Divina: Fr. Brendan Clifford OP, Thurs. Nov 2nd, 7.00pm.

A Breath of Life: Fr. Louis Hughes O.P., Sat. 11th Nov. 10.00am-5.00pm, Book Now!

ST. JOSEPH'S YOUNG PRIESTS SOCIETY: (St. John's Branch) monthly meeting will be held in St. John's Parish Centre, Wednesday 1st November at 8.00pm. All welcome.

ORGANISATION OF NATIONAL EX-SERVICEMEN AND WOMEN: Annual Lá na BhFiann Mass in St. John's Church on Sunday, November 5th at 12 noon.

MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER WEEKEND offers married couples (of all age ranges) private time to rediscover the joy of their love. The next Residential Weekend will be from 17th to 19th November at The Lake Hotel, Killarney. For info. and to book, visit www.marriageencounter.ie or call (086) 6095168 or 064 6644319.

PRO-LIFE CAMPAIGN NATIONAL CONFERENCE: will be held on Sunday, 3rd December in the RDS, Dublin 4 from 1pm-4.30pm will feature a number of excellent speakers from Ireland and overseas including former Planned Parenthood employee Abby Johnson. Attendees will hear from families who credit the 8th Amendment with their children being alive today. Attendance is free but seating will be limited. You can register online at <http://prolifecampaign.ie/main/conf2017/>

PIONEERS: TAKE THE SHORT-TERM PLEDGE FOR NOVEMBER for deceased family and friends who have gone before us marked with the Sign of Faith. Join online at www.pioneerassociation.ie.

ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS: Open Public Meeting on Monday October 30th at 8.30pm in the Presentation Prefabs, Upper Castle Street.

SAGE: a Support and Advocacy Service for vulnerable adults are seeking volunteers to work with our service in the Kerry region. Information evening on Thursday 9th November at the Imperial Hotel, Denny Street, at 6.30 p.m. For information contact Helen Fitzgerald email: helen.fitzgerald@sageadvocacy.ie or phone 01 5367335

THE OXFAM TRALEE STORE: is looking for volunteers to help in the store, if interested please contact Eileen on 0667127655 or call in.

DEAFHEAR.IE outreach clinic on Friday 10th of November 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 please call Jerry Kelleher on 087-3747327. Consultations are private and confidential.

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK:

As baptised Christians we have a duty of care to our God, to the world which he created and to each other. We repay our debt to God the Father when we care for the world, when we engage in active stewardship and consideration for our world and all that it contains. We do likewise when we are gentle, kind and full of patience towards those who are broken, weak or vulnerable. Not too difficult really is it?Margaret Theresa Naughton.