



# St. John's Parish, Tralee

## 11<sup>th</sup> March 2018

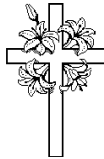
### Fourth Sunday of Lent

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

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

#### PLEASE PRAY FOR:

- ✠ **Ellen (Nell) Power** née Daly, Chapel St, Tralee and formerly Ahaneboy, Castleisland,
- ✠ **Claire Lynch** née McCabe, Cahermoneen
- ✠ **Patricia (Pat) Keane** née Allen, Hillview Drive, Caherslee, and formerly of Caherleahen, *who died recently and for all those whose anniversaries occur at this time.*



#### JOURNEYING TOGETHER AS FAMILY.

- \* **"Youth and Faith"** Jonny Somerville Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> March from 2.30pm – 3.30pm
  - \* **"Hidden Pearls — Revealing the gifts of people with disabilities in family and community".** Maria Garvey, Monday March 26<sup>th</sup> at 7.30pm
- All events will be held in St. John's Church, Castle Street, Tralee.**

Other events are being hosted in other pastoral areas throughout the diocese during Lent. Details can be found in the Lenten Programme leaflets, on the parish noticeboard or by visiting [www.dioceseofkerry.ie](http://www.dioceseofkerry.ie).



**THE WORLD MEETING OF FAMILIES:** takes place in Dublin from August 21<sup>st</sup> to 26<sup>th</sup>. To get tickets for the World meeting of families visit [www.worldmeeting2018.ie/en/](http://www.worldmeeting2018.ie/en/) Tickets.

Volunteers are also invited to join in the World Meeting of Families Team. Email: [volunteer@worldmeeting2018.ie](mailto:volunteer@worldmeeting2018.ie) or visit [www.worldmeeting2018.ie/volunteers](http://www.worldmeeting2018.ie/volunteers)

#### RECENT BAPTISMS

*With great joy we welcome:*

**Lewis Moriarty**  
**Shayne Billy Conway**

*into our Christian community.*



**ALTAR SERVERS FOR ST. PATRICK'S DAY AND EASTER CEREMONIES IN ST. JOHN'S CHURCH:** A sign-up sheet is available in the sacristy for servers who wish to serve at the St. Patrick's Day Masses and Easter Ceremonies. All serving at Easter must be able to attend rehearsals on the day.

#### ST. PATRICK'S DAY MASSES:

**St John's Church:** Friday March 16<sup>th</sup> 6.10pm  
Saturday March 17<sup>th</sup> 8.30am (in Irish), 10am.  
**Immaculate Conception, Rathass:** Friday 7pm  
Saturday 12.30pm  
**St. Brendan's Church, Curraheen:** Friday 8pm  
Saturday 10am (Please note time change)  
Vigil Masses for Sunday will be celebrated at the usual times in all churches on Saturday evening.

**DEFIBRILLATOR TRAINING COURSE** for St. John's Parish. Both new members and those refreshing their skills are welcome to attend. Saturday April 28<sup>th</sup> 9.30am to 12.30pm in St. John's Parish Centre. If you are interested in attending please give your name to the Parish Centre.

#### EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION:

**St. John's Church:** every Friday from 10.30am to 6.10pm  
**St. Brendan's Church, Curraheen:** every Monday from 10am to 12 noon.

**DIOCESAN YOUTH PILGRIMAGE TO TAIZÉ** in France from Sunday, July 1<sup>st</sup> to Sunday, July 8<sup>th</sup>. There are 15 places available. For more information please contact Tomás Kenny on 086 3683778 or [tomaskenny@dioceseofkerry.ie](mailto:tomaskenny@dioceseofkerry.ie) Also see diocesan website for additional information.

**CHOOSE LIFE 2018:** promotes the Church's position on unborn human life and encourages family discussion on this important subject. To access news, videos, testimonies and frequently asked questions visit [www.chooselife2018.ie](http://www.chooselife2018.ie).

**ARDFERT RETREAT CENTRE** Tel: 066 7134276.

**The Amoris programme:** A parish conversation in preparation for the World Meeting of Families which helps participants to reflect on and share their experience of family life in the light of Pope Francis' vision in the *'Gospel of Family - A Joy for all the World'*. *Continues* Wednesday March 14<sup>th</sup>, 7.30pm to 9.30pm. All welcome.

**Becoming a Caring Presence in Today's World:** Noticing and Nurturing Important Feelings in Our Body, Presented by John Keane, European Director of the BioSpiritual Institute, April 27<sup>th</sup> - 29<sup>th</sup>

**BOOK LAUNCH** in St Brendan's Pastoral Centre: Fr Padraig Walsh, PP, will launch a new book on the Bible— **"For It IS Written"** - authored by Michael Culloty, after the 6.30pm Vigil Mass on Saturday night March 24<sup>th</sup> at 7:30pm, in the Pastoral Centre. The book takes us on a journey through the Bible, weaving the story of the Old and New Testaments together through the common thread that is Jesus Christ. The observation of St Augustine that "the New is in the Old concealed: the Old is in the New revealed" provides a fitting summary of the book. All are welcome.

**ANAM CARA** Kerry, the organisation that supports bereaved parents, is holding a Parent Evening on Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> of March from 19:30 to 21:00 in Recovery Haven 5 Haig's Terrace, Killierisk, Tralee, Co. Kerry. This event is free and open to all bereaved parents regardless of the age your child died, the circumstances of their death, or whether their death was recent or not.

**CHARITY BRIDGE NIGHT IN AID OF ACQUIRED BRAIN INJURY IRELAND;** at The Rose Hotel, Thursday March 15<sup>th</sup> at 7.15pm. €10 per person, refreshments provided.'

**PILGRIMAGE TO MEDJUGORJE:** 14<sup>th</sup> to 21<sup>st</sup> June from Shannon to Split Airport, from €719 per person, half board. Further information from Group Leader Maura Harksen 066 7127143. Spiritual Director Fr. Francis Nolan 066 7122522. Information Night in St. John's Parish Centre on Tuesday March 6<sup>th</sup> at 7.30pm.

**KERRY DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO FATIMA:** Led by Fr. Noel Spring. 11<sup>th</sup>—18<sup>th</sup> May. 7 nights Fatima or option Fatima 5 nights and 2 nights on the Lisbon Coast. Fully escorted pilgrimage. Early booking essential. Enquiries to Premier Travel, 2 Grand Parade, Daunt's Square Cork. Email: [norady@premiertravel.ie](mailto:norady@premiertravel.ie) or telephone 021 4277700, or Maureen Hartly on 066 7131328.

**PILGRIMAGE TO THE HOLY LAND:** led by Monsignor Dan O'Riordan. 24<sup>th</sup> September—3<sup>rd</sup> October Ex Cork Airport (including coach from Kerry to Cork Airport return). For further information contact Premier Travel 2 Grand Parade, Daunt's Square, Cork. Telephone 021 4277700 or email [norady@premiertravel.ie](mailto:norady@premiertravel.ie).

#### THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

*When you are angry or annoyed with God take a minute to stop and think about all the good things He has given you and all the opportunities that have come your way. Pause and reflect upon the family and friends that you have around you, the good food that sits upon your table and the many other gifts you have each and every day, some you do not even see. Remember that if God sent His Son to redeem and to save you He must really love you. The next time you think of God try not to be angry but rather love Him back.*

**Margaret Theresa Naughton**

#### RECENT WEDDINGS

Congratulations to:

**Darren Cleary and Marian Counihan**  
**James Fairbrother and Michelle O'Sullivan**  
*who married in St. John's parish recently.*  
*We pray that God will bless your marriage.*



**DIOCESAN COLLECTION FOR EMIGRANT SERVICES:** will be taken up at all Masses this weekend (March 10<sup>th</sup> /11<sup>th</sup>) as a joint offertory collection. For the past 60 years the Irish Church has had a Council for Emigrants. It is estimated that over 30,000 Irish nationals emigrated last year. Services are provided in cities in England and the U.S. and elsewhere. Where our emigrants are in need these services seek to help. For example in recent years the services have sought to assist elderly Irish in need, and also, to provide outreach to Irish people in prison (estimated number 1,200), especially in Britain. Our diocesan collection provides much needed funds for these services. Be generous, - it is our own people that are in need.

**MEETING OF MINISTERS OF THE EUCCHARISTIC ST JOHNS CHURCH:** will take place on Tuesday, 20<sup>th</sup> March at 7.30pm in St. John's Church to assign duties for Holy Thursday, Good Friday and Holy Saturday and also to organise the procession on Palm Sunday. .

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