



# St. John's Parish, Tralee

## 1<sup>st</sup> April 2018

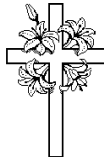
### Easter Sunday

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:

- ✚ **Patrick (Pat) Kelly**, Caherslee,
- ✚ **Fidelma Noonan**, Prince's Street and Dublin.
- ✚ **Philomena (Mena) O'Donnell**, Ballyenaghty, The Kerries, Reposing at Hogan's Funeral Home, on Sunday evening from 5.30pm until 6.30pm, followed by removal to St. John's Church. Funeral Mass on Monday at 10am followed by burial in The Old Cemetery, Churchill.
- ✚ **Elizabeth (Liz) Sugrue**, Oakpark Demesne and formerly of The Square. Reposing at The Gleasure Funeral Home, on Sunday from 3 to 5 pm, followed by removal St. John's Church. Funeral Mass on Monday at 12 noon followed by burial in Rath Cemetery.



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

#### RECENT BAPTISM

*With great joy we welcome:*

**Ayla Kelliher**

*into our Christian community.*



#### RECENT WEDDINGS

Congratulations to:

**Brian Murphy and Jacinta O'Leary**  
**Paul Conway and Sinéad Coffey**

*who married in St. John's parish recently.*

*We pray that God will bless your marriage.*



**MASSES IN ST JOHN'S FOR THE COMING WEEK** will be at 10.00am and 6.10pm. The 8.30am Mass will resume on Monday, April 9<sup>th</sup>. THE PARISH CENTRE will be closed on Easter Monday.

**FIRST FRIDAY:** Next Friday, April 6<sup>th</sup> is the first Friday of the month. **CONFESSIONS** – Thursday 4.30pm – 5.30pm.

**EASTER OFFERINGS:** (Envelopes & Collection) The Easter Offerings Envelopes are being distributed to homes in the Parish. These offerings are for the support of the priests of the Parish. We thank you for returning these envelopes to the Parish Office or placing them in the Collection Plate. Those who do not receive an envelope will have a chance to support the Parish Clergy at the Second Collection taken up after Communion at the Easter Vigil and Easter Sunday Masses this weekend.



#### THE ICON OF THE HOLY FAMILY

Since last August the Icon of the Holy Family has been brought around various dioceses to encourage reflection and prayer as part of the preparation towards the World Meeting of Families in Dublin this August.

**The Icon will be visiting St. John's Church**

**From the afternoon of Tuesday April 17<sup>th</sup> until the morning of Friday April 20<sup>th</sup>.**

It will also visit:

St Mary's Church Listowel from Mon. afternoon, April 9<sup>th</sup> to Wed. morning April 11<sup>th</sup>.  
Holy Cross Church, Kenmare, Wed. afternoon, April 11<sup>th</sup> to Fri. morning April 13<sup>th</sup>  
St. Mary's Cathedral from Fri. afternoon April 13<sup>th</sup> to Tues. Morning April 17<sup>th</sup>.

#### ST. JOHN'S PARISH FINANCIAL STATEMENTS:

Copies of the 2017 Financial Statements have been distributed to homes in the Parish. Copies are available at the door of the Church or in the Parish Centre.

**FR. PIOTR DELIMAT:** We wish Fr. Piotr well as he begins his next period of study in Hospital Chaplaincy in Cork. During this time Fr. Piotr will not be available for parish duties. We look forward to his return at the end of his course.

**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 1.30pm in St. John's Parish Centre. If you are interested in attending please give your name to the Parish Centre.

**INTERESTED IN BECOMING A PERMANENT DEACON?** Bishop Ray Browne invites applicants interested in formation to become Permanent Deacons in the Diocese of Kerry. At present, five Deacons are in ministry in various parishes of the diocese and one man is in formation and due to be ordained as Deacon later this year. The diaconate is open to married men aged between 30 and 60 years of age and to unmarried men aged between 35 and 60 years of age. Deacons are self-supporting and continue in their family lives and secular employment. The programme of preparation and subsequent ministry are part-time. Initial contact should be made before the end of April so that the application process can be completed in June. The course of preparation begins in September 2018. It is probable that a course will not commence again in the province until 2021. For further information please contact your Parish Priest or the Diocesan Director for the Permanent Diaconate, Fr Nicholas Flynn- Tel: 064 6631168 diosec@dioceseofkerry.ie

**DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY:** Devotions April 8<sup>th</sup> in St. John's Church at 2.45pm. All welcome.

**YOUTH PILGRIMAGE TO TAIZÉ.** The Diocese of Kerry will take a group of 15 young pilgrims to Taizé, France on Sunday, July 1<sup>st</sup>. returning to Ireland on Sunday, July 8<sup>th</sup>. Taizé is a place of pilgrimage with a special welcome for young people. Accommodation in dormitories in Taizé. Meals will also be provided. Cost is €500.00. For more information please contact Tomás Kenny on 086 3683778 or tomaskenny@dioceseofkerry.ie or Application forms are available from the Parish Centre.

**PARISH CANTOR WORKSHOP:** will take place at 7:30pm on Thursday, April 26<sup>th</sup> in St. John's Parish Centre facilitated by Ailish O' Connor and Tomás Kenny. The focus will be on leading the congregation in song and music for the Easter Season. Cost is €10 per person. Contact Tomás Kenny, Diocesan Pastoral Team, on 086 3683778 or tomaskenny@dioceseofkerry.ie for further 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).

**KILLARNEY MACRA:** Benefit Dance in Aid of Kerry Cork Health Link Bus. Friday 6<sup>th</sup> April @ 8.30pm in the Torc Hotel, Killarney, featuring: Tom Jive, OC Trio & DJ Pat Casey. Tickets €10 - Contact Moria on 086 1530975

**IRISH WHEELCHAIR ASSOCIATION TRALEE BRANCH:** Pub Quiz, Thursday April 5<sup>th</sup> at 8.30pm in the Greyhound Bar. Tables of four €40. Contact Pat Mahony on 0863990676.



**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/Tickets](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)

**THE LOVEBOTH PROJECT:** The LoveBoth Project is organising a series of rallies around Ireland over the coming weeks to highlight the tens of thousands of lives saved by the 8<sup>th</sup> Amendment and encourage people to speak up and stand up for life. The Limerick – Pro Life LoveBoth evening rally for families in the Region, takes place at the Limerick Race Course on Friday April 6<sup>th</sup> Beginning at 6.00pm – 8.00pm. The Cork Rally will take place on Saturday April 7<sup>th</sup> at 2pm in the Grand Parade. Your presence is needed.

**ANAM CARA** Kerry, the organisation that supports bereaved parents, is holding a Parent Evening on Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> of April from 7:30pm to 9pm in Recovery Haven, 5 Haig's Terrace, Killierisk. 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. For more information see [anamcara.ie](http://anamcara.ie) or call our Information Line on 085 2888 888.

#### THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

*So often we find ourselves challenged by things happening around us. The uncertainties and iniquities of life can make our heads spin in disbelief and possibly even in trepidation of what's next for us or our loved ones. On this glorious Easter Sunday we pray to always have the strength and the courage to weather the storms of life and to truly believe in the God who has a greater plan for us than we can ever imagine or hope for.....*

Margaret Theresa Naughton

*The priests of the parish wish you a happy and holy Easter.*