



# St. John's Parish, Tralee

## 5<sup>th</sup> August 2018

### *Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year B)*

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:

- ✦ **Anthony (Tony) Conlon**, Upper Laccamore Cross, Abbeydorney and formerly of Sligo.
- ✦ **Conor Barrett**, Midleton Co. Cork and formerly of Mallow, Co. Cork.
- ✦ **Michael Hayes**, West Commons Ardfert and formerly of Balloonagh Estate.  
*who died recently and for all those whose anniversaries occur at this time.*



#### RECENT BAPTISMS

*With great joy we welcome:*

**Jackson Joseph Valentine**  
**Molly Ann Hickey**

*into our Christian community.*



**MONDAY** August 6<sup>th</sup> is a Bank Holiday. Masses in St. John's Church will be at 10am and 6.10pm. The Parish Centre will be closed.

**AREA MASSES:** Communities 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.

**Curraheen:** Thursday August 9<sup>th</sup> at 7.30 at Curraheen Lár.

**New Marian Park:** Friday August 10<sup>th</sup> at 7pm.

**DIOCESAN COLLECTION:** In aid of the John Paul II Pastoral and Ardfert Retreat Centres will be taken up at all Masses next Saturday/ Sunday August 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> as a joint Offertory Collection. The John Paul II Pastoral Centre in Killarney acts as a focal point for the catechetical and faith education programmes of the diocese while the Ardfert Retreat Centre provides the opportunity to take time apart and reflect on God's call to all the people of our diocese in a peaceful and prayerful environment. Your support is always appreciated.

**MASS IN POLISH:** will be celebrated in the Church of the Immaculate Conception, Rathass, on Sunday next, August 12<sup>th</sup>, at 12.30pm.

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

The Legion of Mary in Kerry are sponsoring 2 young people (age 18-40), to attend the Catholic Young Adults Conference being held on 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> September in All Hallows, Dublin. You do not need to be a practising Catholic but have goodwill towards the Church. Contact Patricia 087 9048659.

#### 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.

#### ARDFERT RETREAT CENTRE:

**Foyer deCharite:** Fr. Kilian Byrne, 6 Day Silent Retreat. Mon. 13<sup>th</sup> to Sun. 19<sup>th</sup> Aug. Information/booking contact: Helen - 086 1678027 hellywilliams@gmail.com

**MEAL FOR VISITING CLERGY ON HOLIDAYS:** The Bishop would like to invite priests who are home for vacation and also priests from abroad who have retired to live in Kerry to gather for a meal on Thursday, August 16<sup>th</sup> at 6.30pm at the Parish Centre, the Church of the Resurrection, Park Road, Killarney.

**WORLD MEETING OF FAMILIES:** An Opening Time of Prayer for World Meeting of Families 2018 will take place across all 26 Dioceses of Ireland on the evening of Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> August. In our Diocese, we will celebrate an Opening Mass in St. Mary's Cathedral at 6.15pm. A choir of over 100 people from parishes in all parts of the diocese (who will be part of the great choir in the Phoenix Park) will participate.

**STUDY THEOLOGY BY DISTANCE LEARNING:** Flexible and Accessible Courses. Attend Saturday lectures in Tallaght or online from the comfort of your own home and build modules towards a Bachelor of Arts Degree in Theology. Application deadline September 25<sup>th</sup>. For further details telephone 01 4048124 or visit [www.prioryinstitute.com](http://www.prioryinstitute.com).

**MASS:** in honour of St. Padre Pio will be celebrated in Our Lady and St. Brendan's Church at 6.30pm on Tuesday, August 7<sup>th</sup>.

**PADRE PIO 50<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY PILGRIMAGE:** Fr. Pat Crean-Lynch has organised a pilgrimage to Italy from 21<sup>st</sup>—28<sup>th</sup> September, which will include two nights in Assisi, three nights in San Giovanni Rotondo and two nights in Rome. For more information or to obtain a booking form contact Fr. Pat on 087 6709491 or Joe Walsh Tours on 01 2410816.

**ANNUAL PADRE PIO CEREMONIES:** commemorating his Ordination to the Priesthood in August 1910 will be celebrated in the Church of the Holy Spirit, Dennehy's Cross, Cork at 2.30pm on Sunday August, 12<sup>th</sup>.

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

**VMM INTERNATIONAL CELEBRATES 50 YEARS OF LAY MISSION:** volunteers who participated on our projects in Africa, Asia and Latin America throughout the years are invited to our Gathering and Gala Dinner celebrations in Dublin on September 1<sup>st</sup>. For details, visit: <http://www.vmminternational.org/vmm-international-celebrates-50th-anniversary/>

**LOUGH DERG 2018:** The Three Day Pilgrimage is currently open. You may begin on any day until Monday 13<sup>th</sup> August. Advance booking is not necessary. The Lough Derg team can help you to co-ordinate public transport or link up with Pilgrimage Organisers in your locality, phone Lorraine on 071 9861518 or email: [info@loughderg.org](mailto:info@loughderg.org)

**FREE DAYTIME EDUCATION FOR ADULTS** at Tralee VTOS. We are currently accepting applications for September 2018. Tralee VTOS is a free adult education programme offered to people who are over 21 and in receipt of a payment from the Department of Social Protection. Contact 066 7121041 / 086 0278978 for further information.



**BUSES TO THE WORLD MEETING OF FAMILIES CLOSING MASS: THERE ARE REMAINING PLACES AVAILABLE** on the buses to the Closing Mass on Sunday August 26<sup>th</sup> in the Phoenix Park at 3pm with Pope Francis. The bus costing €50 per adult or €100 for two adults and one child (or one adult and two children) can be booked at St. John's Parish Centre. St. John's will also register you for your free ticket to the Mass. Bus departure time to be decided. **PLEASE APPLY AS SOON AS POSSIBLE TO SECURE YOUR PLACE.**

#### FAMILY PRAYER

God, our Father,  
We are brothers and sisters in Jesus your Son, one family, in the Spirit of your love. Bless us with the joy of love. Make us patient and kind, gentle and generous, welcoming to those in need. Help us to live your forgiveness and peace. Protect all families with your loving care, Especially those for whom we now pray: *[We pause and remember family members and others by name].* Increase our faith, strengthen our hope, keep us safe in your love, Make us always grateful for the gift of life that we share. This we ask, through Christ our Lord, Amen.

#### THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK:

*Eat The Bread (Eucharist) which the Lord God has given us. This will help us to avoid living a life of aimless wandering and disillusionment. Remember that The Bread Of Life will sustain us when we are down; support us when we know not where to turn; and empower us to push that little bit farther down the road when all seems lost. It is The Bread Of Life that will demonstrate to us most clearly that we have an ever-present companion on the journey of life.*

**Margaret Theresa Naughton.**