



# St. John's Parish, Tralee

## 9<sup>th</sup> September 2018

### Twenty-Third 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:

- ✦ **Fr. Gerard O'Connell**, Fatima Home.
- ✦ **Cecelia Cervas**, Philippines.
- ✦ **Rebecca Leahy**, née Mills Abbeyfeale PO.
- ✦ **James Christopher O'Gorman**, New Jersey and late of Tralee & Dublin. Memorial Service on Saturday, 29<sup>th</sup> of September, St. John's Church, at 12 noon, followed by interment in Rath Cemetery.



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

#### RECENT BAPTISMS:

*With great joy we welcome:*

- Anthony Stefiszyn**
- Katie O'Grady Molloy**
- Darragh Thomas O'Brien Flaherty**



*into our Christian community.*

#### FAREWELL PARTY IN HONOUR OF FR. BERNARD HEALY:

A Farewell Party in his honour will be held in St. John's Parish Centre on Friday 14<sup>th</sup> September at 8.00pm. A presentation will be made to Fr. Bernard on the night. If you would like to contribute please put your donation in the envelope available at the back of the Church and return it to the Parish Office. We also hope that you will be able to join us for the function. For catering purposes, we would be grateful if you would let the Parish Centre know if you are attending.

**AREA MASS: Clogheresta, Hawley Park.** Wednesday September 12<sup>th</sup>. Rosary at 7pm, Mass at 7.30pm.

**BLESSING OF SCHOOLBAGS**— Sunday September 23<sup>rd</sup> – at 10am in The Church of the Immaculate Conception, 11am in St Brendan's Church, Curraheen and 12 noon in St John's Church.

**EVER FELT DRAWN TO OR CURIOUS ABOUT THE CATHOLIC FAITH?** Do you know someone who is drawn to or curious about the Catholic faith? Perhaps you are married to a Catholic but do not share their faith, or you may have been baptised but never got the chance to receive Communion or to be confirmed? If so, RCIA might be just what you are looking for. The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults [RCIA] is a parish process of invitation and welcome for those who would like to explore being members of our faith community. If you are interested or would like more information, please contact the Parish Centre during office hours

**SEASON OF CREATION:** The Season of Creation is the time from September 1<sup>st</sup> to October 4<sup>th</sup> when Christian churches around the world focus on prayer and action to protect the natural world or creation and could be described as the Churches' eco time. Join us in celebrating the Season of Creation across the Diocese of Kerry. Our theme for 2018 is: **'Be part of the solution to plastic pollution'**. Our leaflet is available at the church door or you can find out more at [www.dioceseofkerry.ie](http://www.dioceseofkerry.ie).

**"BE PART OF THE SOLUTION TO PLASTIC POLLUTION: SEE, JUDGE, ACT!"** An evening providing inspiration, hope and action to protect our Common Home. Screening of the documentary "Plastic in Paradise" by Derrynane-based Vincent Hyland, followed by a Voice Ireland recycling workshop will be held on Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> September @ 8pm in John Paul II Pastoral Centre, Killarney. Free event. Everyone welcome.

**DIOCESAN WORKSHOP FOR CHOIRS:** presented by Veronia McCarron, renowned choral director and conductor on Tuesday, October 2<sup>nd</sup> 2018 in the John Paul II Pastoral Centre, Killarney at 7:00pm. The focus of the evening will be choral direction, vocal technique and conducting. Contact Tomás Kenny for more details at [tomaskenny@dioceseofkerry.ie](mailto:tomaskenny@dioceseofkerry.ie) or phone 086 3683778. Places will be limited so early booking would be advised. Cost €10.00 per person.

#### ARDFERT RETREAT CENTRE (066 7134276)

**Annual Gathering for Parish Contact People:** Wednesday, Sept. 12<sup>th</sup> 7.30pm-9.30pm.

**Fall Adult Religious Education Programme:** Fr. Sean Sheehy, Topic: *What does God want me to do with my life?* This is an 8-session course, Wednesdays - beginning Sept. 19<sup>th</sup>.

**Parental Grief Retreat:** Caroline Ni Dhuinn, Emmaus Ministry for Grieving Parents USA, Saturday, September 29<sup>th</sup>, 9.00am-6.00pm. [www.emfgp.org](http://www.emfgp.org) to register or call 7125129.

**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 SUICIDE CANDLELIGHT VIGIL:** on Monday September 10<sup>th</sup> at Pearse Park at 8.30pm. Organised by Open Arms Kerry. Music on the night by Seamus Harty. All Welcome.

**ST MICHAEL'S WELL LIXNAW: ANNUAL MASSES** Friday 28<sup>th</sup> September. First Mass at 12 noon and second Mass 7.30pm.

**ANAM CARA KERRY:** the organisation that supports bereaved parents, is holding a Bereavement Information Evening on Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> September at 7:30pm in the Meadowlands Hotel, Tralee. This is a free event and open to all bereaved parents. As Anam Cara will need to confirm numbers for teas, coffees, etc, please RSVP to [info@anamcara.ie](mailto:info@anamcara.ie) before Monday 10<sup>th</sup> September or call the Information Line on 085 2888 888.

**THE IRISH CANCER SOCIETY'S** National Conference is being held in the Clayton Hotel, Silver Springs, Cork on Saturday, September 22<sup>nd</sup> from 10am – 4pm. The aim of the conference is to provide information and support to cancer survivors, those who care for them, health care professional and staff / volunteers from cancer support services. Topics include exercise, diet, mindfulness, employment and more. For more information call Breda on 01 2310 533, email [bcuddihy@irishcancer.ie](mailto:bcuddihy@irishcancer.ie) or visit [www.cancer.ie](http://www.cancer.ie) to register. The conference is free of charge but registration is essential.

**CORK AUTISM CONFERENCE 2018** - Re-Thinking Autism - A Positive and Integrative Approach, Sunday September 30<sup>th</sup>, Rochestown Park Hotel, Douglas, Cork. Conference provides a unique forum for Parents, Families, Caregivers, Adults with ASD, Employers, Educators, Professionals, Agencies, Advocates and anyone with an interest in autism and Aspergers Syndrome. All are welcome. More info here: [www.bookwhen.com/corkautism](http://www.bookwhen.com/corkautism) or call 089 239 8900

**ADULT LITERACY CLASSES:** free & confidential help with reading, writing and spelling. Learn at your own pace with an understanding tutor. Phone Maeve at Kerry ETB for a chat on. 086 7969624

**WHIST:** will resume on Thursday September 13<sup>th</sup> at Kerins O'Rahilly's. Starting at 7.45pm. All Welcome

**BRIDGE FOR BEGINNERS:** commencing in October. Contact Trish on 087 6254284.

**DAYS OF RECOLLECTION:** "Spiritual Combat" through the writings of the Servant of God, Mother Marie Adele Garnier (1838-1924), foundress of the Adorers of the Sacred Heart of Jesus of Montmartre, OSB, . Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> September. St. Benedict's Priory, The Mount, Cobh, Co. Cork beginning at 9am with Holy Mass and Adoration. Day ends with tea at 3.30. Lunch provided. Donations welcome to cover costs. Contact: Mother Prioress: 021 4811 354 [cobhtyburnconvent@gmail.com](mailto:cobhtyburnconvent@gmail.com)

**OVERSEAS VOLUNTEERS REQUIRED:** Volunteer Carpenters, Builders, Media Specialists, Early Childhood Practitioners, Occupational Therapists, Primary/Secondary Teachers, Accountants, Social Workers, Farmers...required for placements on Missions in Africa, SE Asia and the Caribbean. No previous overseas exp required, no upper age limit! Volunteer training programme begins 22<sup>nd</sup> September in Dublin - open to all! Contact Viatores Christi +353-1-8689986 or email [apply@viatoreschristi.com](mailto:apply@viatoreschristi.com).

**IRELAND'S BIGGEST COFFEE MORNING FOR HOSPICE** 20<sup>th</sup> September 2018. Host a coffee morning for your local hospice. Gather your family, friends, neighbours or workmates to enjoy a cup of Bewley's coffee in support of your local hospice and homecare service. Every Euro that you raise goes to the Hospice. Coffee, posters, money boxes etc., will be provided. Contact Mary Shanahan at 086/0538706 or Joe Hennebery at 087/9197236 to collect your coffee or visit <https://hospicecoffeemorning.ie>

**SHANAKILL FAMILY RESOURCE CENTRE: Tralee Mindfulness Thursdays.** 8 week course started September 6<sup>th</sup> from 11am to 12. Complete course €70, concession €60. Pay as you go €10. Book your place at 066 712 0542.

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

#### THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK:

*Courage my friends do not be afraid.*

*The Lord God is with us as we traverse the storms of life. Have faith in Him as you weave a tapestry of fear and doubt in times of personal sorrow and pain. He will never abandon a loyal and humble servant....*

**Margaret Theresa Naughton.**