



St. John's Parish, Tralee

7th October 2018

Twenty-Seventh 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:

- ✦ **Frank Wall**, Meadowlands Estate and formerly of Mitchel's Crescent
- ✦ **Paddy O'Brien**, Cardiff, and formerly of Mitchel's Crescent.
- ✦ **Maeve O'Donnell** née O'Hara, Denny Street. Requiem Mass on Monday at 10.00 am. Burial afterwards in Rath Cemetery.
- ✦ **Anne Little** née Hussey, Boston and formerly of Kevin Barry Villas.
- ✦ **Fr. Michael O'Shea**, Our Lady of Fatima Home, Kenmare and the Diocese of Los Angeles USA
- ✦ **Rosaleen Lynch** née Simpson, Árd na Lí, Oakpark. Arriving to St. John's Church for Requiem Mass on Monday at 12 noon. Burial afterwards in Rath Cemetery.



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

RECENT BAPTISMS:

With great joy we welcome:

Ruby Caroline Hannafin, Seán O'Brien, Ella Mai Sweeney, Hugh Breen, Maya Barrett and Aifric Culloty



into our Christian community.

RECENT WEDDINGS

Congratulations to:

**Thomas Hickey and Alison Curtis
Michael Griffin and Mary O'Connor
Allan Kennedy and Áine O'Driscoll**

who married in St. John's parish recently.

We pray that God will bless your marriage.



BLESSING OF PETS: this Sunday, October 7th, at 3.30pm outside St. John's Church.

MASSES FOR 2019: Bookings for First Anniversaries will be taken this Monday October 8th. Bookings for all other Masses will take place from Tuesday October 9th. It will not be possible to take telephone bookings on Tuesday.

VIGIL MASS TIME ST. BRENDAN'S CHURCH, CURRAHEEN: From Saturday October 20th the Saturday Vigil Mass time will be at 7.30pm. (See further information sheets available in the Church).

OCTOBER IS MISSION MONTH:

PASSION FOR MISSION: Embracing the possible in times of conflict

The Diocese of Kerry celebrates Mission Month with a public talk presented by Fr. Niall Geaney and Sr. Orla Treacy. Fr. Niall is a Kiltegan priest now working in Our Lady and St. Brendan's Parish, Tralee. Sr. Orla received the Hugh O'Flaherty International Humanitarian Award last year in recognition for her work in South Sudan. If you are interested in volunteering abroad the VMM and OLA mission outreach teams will be on hand to discuss practicalities and supports. The Public Talk takes place on Thursday 18th October @8pm in St. John's Parish Centre, Tralee. Everyone welcome.

WORLD MISSION SUNDAY: takes place on the 21st. This is the one Sunday in the year that Pope Francis asks us to pray a little stronger and dig a little deeper so that faith, hope and love can flourish. Contributions given on World Mission Sunday will support the fearless and selfless work of our missionaries, who live shoulder-to-shoulder with people in communities that are struggling and often war-torn. Mission Month and Mission Sunday is a time for us to fully appreciate the dedication of these missionaries who are there before, *during and after any crisis.*

MASS, BENEDICTION AND ADORATION: in St. Brendan's Church, Curraheen, Monday 15th October at 10am.

CURRAHEEN COMMUNITY ROOM EXTENSION FUND: Two fundraising events will be held over the next few months:

Bingo in Tralee Youth Centre (KDYS) Denny Street on Sunday November 4th

Christmas Concert in Blennerville National School Hall on Sunday December 9th. Full details to follow.

MASS IN CROATIAN: Monday October 8th at 7.30pm in St. John's Church. Confessions in Croatian begin at 6.30pm.

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.

FR BERNARD HEALY wishes to thank everyone who came to his farewell evening, contributed to the presentation, or sent their good wishes and encouragement as he begins his studies in Rome. He will be remembering your intentions at Mass.

DAY FOR LIFE: This Sunday, October 7th is the **Annual Day for Life** which is celebrated to raise awareness about the meaning and value of human life at every stage and every condition. This year the emphasis is on human trafficking. To find out more about Catholic Social teaching on this topic visit www.chooselife2018.ie/Day4Life/

ROSARY ON THE COAST FOR LIFE AND FAITH AT BANNA BEACH; Sunday October 7th at 2.30pm. Prayers led by Fr Francis Nolan. Bus from Denny Street (opposite KDYS at 1.45pm). Further information from 087 6532240.

TRÓCAIRE PARISH VOLUNTEERS Trócaire supports some of the world's most vulnerable people in the developing world, while also raising awareness of injustice and global poverty in Ireland. We are a group of committed individuals who meet three times a year in Killarney to organise initiatives in our communities for Trócaire. Email volunteering@trocaire.org or phone Father Michael Moynihan on 087-6551902 for more information.

ARDFERT RETREAT CENTRE (066 7134276)

What does God want me to do with my life? Fr. Sean Sheehy, continues Wednesdays, 7.00pm-8.30pm.

Celebrate your Faith with videos-Thomas Merton, Dietrich Bonhoeffer & others. Elizabeth Gilmartin, Mondays 7.30-9.00pm starts 15th October.

Jesus & the Gospels (Denis McBride) Programme: Elizabeth Gilmartin, Tuesdays 2.30-4.00pm starts 16th October.

LECTIO DIVINA – a way of praying and meditating with Scripture. 6 Wednesdays - Starting Wed 17th Oct, 11am -12.15pm in Franciscan Friary Chapel, Killarney. Contact Anne Alcock 087 6176193. Places limited.

BLENNERVILLE DERRYMORE COMMUNITY

FIRST RESPONDERS: will be at the Annual Blennerville Windmill Threshing Festival this weekend, on Sunday 7th Oct. Volunteers will be on hand to demonstrate CPR and give the public an opportunity to practice basic CPR skills.

PIONEERS: The monthly meeting of St. John's Pioneer Centre will take place on Thursday October 11th at 8pm in the Parish Centre.

PUBLIC TALK: 'Exploration of the Christian Story - deepening your understanding of the scriptures.' presented by Dr. Eugene Duffy, Mary Immaculate College, Limerick. The talk will take place over two evenings, Wednesday, October 17th AND Wednesday, October 24th 2018 in St. Patrick's Hall, Listowel at 8pm. All are welcome. Admission: Free.

ANAM CARA KERRY, Parent Evening on Tuesday 9th of October at 7:20pm 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, whether their death was recent or not.

BEGINNING EXPERIENCE: specially designed Support Programme for men and women who have suffered the loss of a spouse by death, separation or divorce to work through the grief. Ennismore Retreat Centre, Cork from Friday Oct. 12th to Sunday Oct. 14th Phone 087 9886480 or email beginningexperience@gmail.com

SEASONS FOR GROWTH *Living with Grief, Loss and Change in Life* starts in Recovery Haven on Thursday night October the 18th 2018 at 7pm and runs for 8 weeks. This course is free supported by SHEP. It is recommended that at least 6 months has passed since a bereavement if participating in this course. For information or to book a place call Deirdre on 087-7728089.

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK:

As a child of God we are gifted a place in the heart of a loving and caring God. As His beloved son or daughter, we are carried when we are bowed low and exulted when we are strong and happy. No matter who we are, what we do, what language we speak or what colour our skin is we are all welcome in the home of the Lord. His kingdom is our kingdom.

Margaret Theresa Naughton.