



St. John's Parish, Tralee 3rd December 2023 First Sunday of Advent

EMERGENCY CALLS: Friday, Saturday & Sunday, will be covered by the priests of the Pastoral Area (St. John's, St. Brendan's, Spa/Fenit). The priest on duty can be contacted on 087 2069656. Priest on duty this weekend: Fr. Tadhg Fitzgerald

Office hours for the coming week:

Monday to Thursday and Saturday from 9.15am to 1.00pm and 2.00pm to 4.45pm

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

PLEASE PRAY FOR:

- ✦ **Catherine O'Connor** née Sugrue, Spa Road, Farmers Bridge and Castleisland.
- ✦ **Anne Williams**, née O'Brien, Poppintree, Dublin and O'Rahilly's Villas.
- ✦ **Dan (Bernie) O'Brien**, Moyderwell, Castlemaine and Listowel.
- ✦ **Bridget (Breda) Bolger**, née Sullivan, Kevin Barry's Villas.

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

PLEASE PRAY FOR



ADVENT TRIDUUM:

an opportunity to take a moment to pause in the busy-ness of these weeks of Advent to pray and reflect on the meaning of Advent and our journey to Bethlehem. Reflection and Prayer will be offered each day Tuesday 12th, Wednesday 13th and Thursday 14th December at the 10.00am and 6.10pm Masses by Sr Karen (Parish Pastoral Worker). There will also be a box for your prayers and petitions for Advent.



LECTIO DIVINA: in St. Joseph's Church, Fenit continues on Monday mornings during Advent, 4th, 11th and 18th of December, following 10am Mass until 11.30am. All are welcome to attend this opportunity to reflect on the Gospel of the following Sunday. We will have a cup of tea/coffee at 10.20am and then begin.

HOUR OF GRACE: with Eucharistic Healing Service Friday December 8th from 12noon to 1pm in the Church of the Immaculate Conception, Rathass. Led by Fr. Mark Moriarty. Leaflets will be provided.



CHRISTMAS REMEMBRANCE SERVICE

For Loved Ones Lost To Suicide at which you are invited to place a little ornament on the tree in memory of your loved ones, Sunday December 10th at 3pm at the Town Hall, Princes Quay.



THE GAELSCOIL MHC EASMAINN - CHRISTMAS FAIR/AONACH NA NOLLAG - is taking place this Sunday 3rd Dec from 2:30pm in the school hall.



RECENT BAPTISMS:

With great joy we welcome:

**Sam Noel O'Sullivan
Isla Creedon
Finn Leahy**

into our Christian Community.

MEDITATION IN MOVEMENT

is being offered by Sr. Mary Hoare in the Parish Centre on Wednesday morning 6th December from 11am to 12 noon.

All are welcome – no experience necessary.



BILL KIRBY MEMORIAL 4 MILE WALK

in aid of Kerry Hospice. Gathering at the Brogue Inn on St. Stephen's Day at 11am and walk commencing at 11.30am. Sponsorship Cards available from Michael Fox O'Connor 087 9833075. Donations accepted on the day.



KERRY CHORAL UNION

CHRISTMAS CONCERT with guest baritone Maksym Lozovyi and trumpeter Mark Bright Sunday December 10th at 7.30pm in St. John's Church. Tickets available at the door.. more information on www.kcu.ie



MEETING OF THE PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL

will take place this Monday evening, 4th December at 7pm in the Parish Centre



CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD.

Every Sunday during the 10.30am Mass in St. John's Church. For children who have not yet received their First Holy Communion



COACH TO KNOCK SHRINE NIGHT VIGIL

The Feast of Immaculate Conception Thursday 7th December
Coach departs Tralee Bus Station at 4:00pm
€40 Per Person. Contact: O'Shea's at 066-7180123



OPUS 96 CHAMBER CHOIR.

Fundraising Concert in aid of Castleisland Day Care Centre. Sunday December 3rd at 7.30pm at The River Island Hotel, Castleisland. Tickets €15 available at the door.

DIOCESAN COLLECTION IN AID OF THE KDYS: (Kerry Diocesan Youth Service)

will be taken up this weekend, December 2nd and 3rd. Envelopes are available in the Church. Proceeds from the collection will fund the on-going development of youth clubs across the Diocese.



CHRISTMAS FUNDRAISER CAKE/JUMBLE SALE

in aid of Fr. David O'Connor Peru Mission. St. John's Parish Centre after the 6.10pm Mass this Saturday December 2nd and after all Masses on Sunday December 3rd. Fr. David wishes to thank the people of Kerry and especially the parishioners of St. John's for their generosity in last year's appeal.



CHRISTMAS FAIR:

in Teach an tSolais, St. John's Church of Ireland, Ashe Street on Saturday 9th December from 10am to 2pm
Fun for all the family with Home Baking and Preserves, Festive Games, Christmas Decorations, Beef Burgers, Tea, Coffee and Scones and Silent Auction. €2 entry.

THANK YOU: James O'Sullivan of Derrylea, wishes to express sincere thanks to everyone who supported the recent Coffee Morning in aid of Kerry Hospice. A total of €1501 was raised.

FRIDAY DECEMBER 8TH is the Feast of the Immaculate Conception and is a Holyday.
VIGIL MASSES ON THURSDAY EVENING:

St. John's Church: 6.10pm
Immaculate Conception, Rathass: 7.00pm
St. Brendan's Curraheen: 7.30pm

TIMES OF MASSES ON FRIDAY:

St. John's Church: 8.30am (as Gaeilge), 10am and 6.10pm

Immaculate Conception, Rathass 10am

St Johns Parish Centre
will remain closed on Friday



CHRISTMAS MASS TIMES:
St John's Church: Christmas Eve: 4.00pm (Children's Mass), 6.00pm, 7.30pm and 9.00pm (Mass of Christmas Night).
Christmas Day: 9.00am (As Gaeilge), 10.30am and 12 Noon

St Brendan's Church, Curraheen:

Christmas Eve: 12.00 Midnight

Christmas Day: 11.00am

Church of the Immaculate

Conception, Rathass: Christmas

Eve: 7.00pm, **Christmas Day:** 10.00am



ST VINCENT DE PAUL ANNUAL COLLECTION NEXT WEEKEND 9th and 10th of December.

CHRISTMAS CRAFT FAIR: At NAVO, Fenit Sunday 3rd December, 10am to 2pm. Local crafts and food stalls We are hoping that Santa and Mrs Claus with their hardworking elves will make an appearance. Fenit National School will be providing the singing. Admission is free. All welcome



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