



St. John's Parish, Tralee 17th December 2023 Third 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. Francis Nolan

Office hours for the coming week:

Monday to Saturday from 9.15am to 1.00pm and 2.00pm to 4.45pm
Telephone 066 7122522 E-mail office@stjohns.ie

Website: www.stjohns.ie Find us on Facebook: @StJohnsTralee

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

CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST MASS TIMES FOR THE COMING WEEK

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH: Monday to Friday: 8.30am, 10.00am and 6.10pm
Saturday: 10.00am and 6.10pm
Sunday: 9.00am (as Gaelige), 10.30am and 12 noon.

THE CHURCH OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION:
Saturday: 7.00pm, Sunday: 10.00am.

ST. BRENDAN'S, CURRAHEEN: Saturday: 7.30pm, Sunday: 11.00am.

CONFESSIONS: are heard each Saturday, from 12 noon to 1pm in St. John's Church. In the event of a funeral they will be heard in the Parish Centre.

ALL MASSES FROM ST. JOHN'S CHURCH WILL BE LIVE-STREAMED

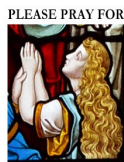
See www.stjohns.ie or www.churchservices.tv/tralee



PLEASE PRAY FOR:

- ✦ **Noreen Moran**, Connolly Park and The Spa.
- ✦ **Paul Hobbart**, Hawley Park.
- ✦ **Richard O'Sullivan**, Árd na Lí, Oakpark.
- ✦ **John Chambers**, Camp.
- ✦ **Anne Goulder**, née Blennerhasset, Solihull, Birmingham and Clonmore, Tralee.

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



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 Gaelige), 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:

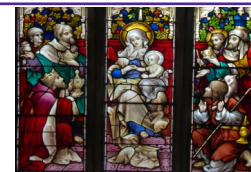
Christmas Eve: 7.00pm, **Christmas Day:** 10.00am

CONFESSIONS FOR CHRISTMAS:

Saturday/Sunday 16th and 17th December: after all Vigil and Sunday Masses in each Church.

Monday Dec. 18th to Friday Dec. 22nd: after the 8.30am, 10am and 6.10pm Masses in St. John's Church.

Saturday December 23rd: From 12 noon to 2pm and 4.00pm to 6.00pm in St. John's Church.



KERRY SCHOOL OF MUSIC MISTLETOE AND WINE CONCERT in St. John's Church this Sunday, December 17th at 7pm. Admission: €19/€17. Tickets available at the door on the night.

FREE CHRISTMAS DAY DINNER

from 1.30pm to 4.30pm at Tralee Community Development Project Upper Rock Street. V92 WR9P. Contact details 086 023 4706.



RECENT BAPTISM:

With great joy we welcome:
Paddy John Murphy
into our Christian Community.



ST. JOHN'S CHOIR:

There will be a Christmas Carol recital by St John's choir on Christmas Eve at St John's Church beginning at 8.30pm. All are welcome.

Trócaire
Working for a just world.

An Ideal Christmas Gift!. Trocaire Gift Vouchers are available at Our lady and St. Brendan's Pastoral Centre, Upper Rock Street. You can also purchase them online at www.trocaire.org



RECENT WEDDING:

Congratulations to:
Vivek Roy and Ciara Stein
who married in St. John's Parish recently. We pray that God will bless your marriage.

CAROL SERVICE:

Curraheen Community Choir and Derryquay pupils will present a Carol service in Curraheen Church this Sunday 17th at 6pm. Refreshments afterwards in community room. All welcome.



LECTIO DIVINA: in St. Joseph's Church, Fenit continues this Monday morning, 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.



EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

ST JOHN'S CHURCH: Side Chapel
Fridays 10.30am to 6.10pm.

ST. BRENDAN'S CHURCH, CURRAHEEN:
Mondays from 11am to 12 noon.



PRAYER MEETING.

ST. BRENDAN'S CHURCH CURRAHEEN,
Every Wednesday at 3pm.

Followed by Tea/Coffee in the Community Hall afterwards. All Welcome.



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

PILGRIMAGE TO MEDJUGORJE
Group Leader: Maura Harsen
Spiritual Director: Fr. Francis Nolan
11th September 2024 for 7 nights

Return flights from Cork to Dubrovnik 7 nights in Hotel Dubrovnik Breakfast & Dinner each day. Full Religious Programme. €879. per person sharing. Optional: Travel insurance and single supplement. Joe Walsh guides and representative throughout. *For details & bookings contact:* Maura O'Keefe Harsen (Tralee) on 087 151 7696 or 066 7127143

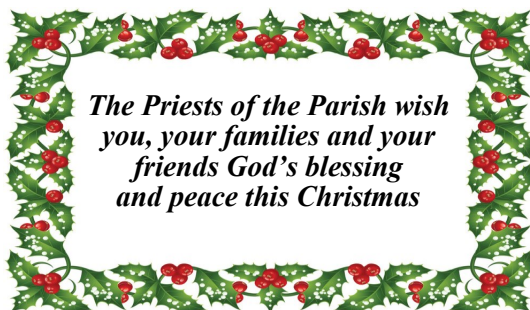


MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST

In St John's Church are asked to contact the Parish Centre to let us know if they are available, to minister on Christmas Eve or Christmas Day and for which Mass.



CHRISTMAS OFFERINGS ENVELOPES: (Christmas Dues) together with our Christmas Newsletter are being delivered to households. These offerings pay the salaries of the Parish Clergy who thank parishioners for their support. Envelopes and the newsletter are also available in the churches and the Parish Centre.



The Priests of the Parish wish you, your families and your friends God's blessing and peace this Christmas

ADVENT PRAYER

Lord Jesus,
Master of both the light and the darkness,
send your Holy Spirit upon our preparations for Christmas.
We who have so much to do seek quiet spaces to hear your voice each day.
We who are anxious over many things look forward to your coming among us.
We who are blessed in so many ways long for the complete joy of your kingdom.
We whose hearts are heavy seek the joy of your presence.
We are your people, walking in darkness, yet seeking the light.
To you we say, "Come Lord Jesus!"
Amen.

(Prayer by Henri Nouwen)