



## St. John's Parish, Tralee 18<sup>th</sup> February 2024 First Sunday in Lent

**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. Amos Ruto

**Office hours for the coming week:**

**Monday to 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**

## 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 Gaeilge), 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**

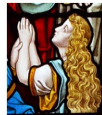
See [www.stjohns.ie](http://www.stjohns.ie) or [www.churchservices.tv/tralee](http://www.churchservices.tv/tralee)



### PLEASE PRAY FOR:

- ✦ **Liam Hayes**, Springfield Massachusetts, Mitchel's Avenue and Clahane, Ballyard.
- ✦ **Mary Walsh** née Morrison, Knocklong, Co. Limerick.
- ✦ **Seán McMullan**, Mitchels Avenue.
- ✦ **Kyle Rostron**, Fairway Heights, O'Rahilly's Villas and South Africa.  
*who died recently and all those whose anniversaries occur at this time*

PLEASE PRAY FOR



### ENCOUNTERS IN FAITH:

an exploration of encounters between Jesus and a wide variety of people in the Gospels as they come to belief led by Sr Karen will take place in the Parish Centre on Tuesday mornings 20<sup>th</sup>, 27<sup>th</sup> February and 5<sup>th</sup> March from 10.30am to 11.45am. All are welcome – we will begin with tea/coffee.



### OPEN PARISH MEETING

In his Pastoral Letter, "Moving Forward in Hope", Bishop Ray invites all parishioners to participate in a consultation process to shape the future of our parishes and pastoral areas. A consultation gathering will be held in our parish on Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> February at 7.00pm in the Parish Centre.

**CAPITAL FUND ENVELOPES:** New boxes of envelopes for the coming year are available for collection at the Parish Centre. If possible, please bring the top of the old box with the number on it. We invite interested parishioners who do not currently contribute to receive weekly envelopes or those who wish to contribute by way of direct debit, to please contact the Parish Centre with your details.



**RECENT BAPTISMS:** *With great joy we welcome:*

**Cian Coffey**  
**Anita Dubihlela**  
**Anisha Dubihlela**  
**Cassian Benaso**  
**Michael Casey** into our Christian Community.



**STATIONS OF THE CROSS.** Each Wednesday during Lent in St. John's Church at 5.40pm



**CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD** continues on Sundays during the 10.30am Mass in St. John's Church for children of school going age who have not yet received their First Holy Communion.



**RTE News DAILY MASS** on RTE News Channel TV on Wednesday next, 21<sup>st</sup> February at 10.30am will be from St. John's Church. This Mass will be pre-recorded earlier.



### CONFIRMATION DATES

**Caherleahen N.S.:** Wednesday February 28<sup>th</sup> at 11.00am in the Church of the Immaculate Conception, Rathass.



**Presentation Primary School:** Wednesday February 28<sup>th</sup> at 2.00pm in St. John's Church.

**Moyderwell Mercy Primary School:** Thursday February 29<sup>th</sup> at 11.00am in St. John's Church.

**Gaelscoil Mhic Easmainn:** Thursday February 29<sup>th</sup> at 2.00pm in St. John's Church.

**CBS Primary School:** Friday March 1<sup>st</sup> at 11.00am in St. John's Church.

**Blennerville and Derryquay National Schools:** Friday March 1<sup>st</sup> at 2.00pm in St. John's Church.

**RELIGIOUS GOODS** for Confirmations, First Communions, Baptism, Wedding candles, rosary beads, statues, medals, Bibles, booklets, etc., as well as Mass Cards are available to purchase in St. John's Parish Centre during normal opening times.



### VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR ST. BRENDAN'S CHURCH CURRAHEEN.

**EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS** Volunteers are needed to become Ministers of the Holy Communion.  
**OFFERTORY COLLECTORS:** we are also looking for volunteers to help taking up the basket Offertory collection. Please leave your name and contact details with the Parish Centre.



### PILGRIMAGE TO MEDJUGORJE

**Group Leader:** Maura Harksen.  
**Spiritual Director:** Fr. Francis Nolan  
11<sup>th</sup> 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'Keeffe Harksen (Tralee) on 087 151 7696 or 066 7127143



**SAVE THE DATE:** The Golden Jubilee of the Kerry Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes with Assisted pilgrims will take place from Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> August to Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> September 2024.



**TROCAIRE** Trócaire Boxes are available at the back of the Church.



### 25<sup>th</sup> NATIONAL PIONEER BALL

Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> of April in **25th National Pioneer Ball** Mullingar, Co. Westmeath.  
**Mass 6pm:** Cathedral of Christ the King.  
**Dinner and Dancing:** Annebrook House Hotel.  
**Ball tickets €40.**  
For more information / tickets contact: Daisy 087 654 4626 or Dermot 085 720 1645 or [leinsteryouthcommittee@gmail.com](mailto:leinsteryouthcommittee@gmail.com)



### THE DIOCESE OF KERRY YOUTUBE CHANNEL.

During Lent, consider listening to and reflecting on three videos of talks given online in the diocese in recent months: Bishop Brendan Leahy describes the Synod that he participated in in Rome in October. The talk for parents in preparation for the Sacrament of Confirmation given by Dr Dan O'Connell of Mary Immaculate College Limerick. The talk given by Dr Jessie Rogers, scripture scholar, of St Patrick's College Maynooth on coping with significant change in the Church. You can access them via the diocesan website or via Google. Google ... 'YouTube Diocese of Kerry Channel' ... then click on 'Diocese of Kerry - YouTube' ... then click on 'videos'. The three videos should be in one of the top rows.



**LEGION OF MARY** Weekly meetings in St. John's Parish Centre, Fridays from 7pm to 8pm. Recommencing Friday February 16<sup>th</sup>. New members very welcome.



**NEWSLETTERS:** Please take home the newsletter or leave them on the table at the back of the Church on the way out.



**RATH CEMETERY COMMITTEE** are looking for volunteers for their street collection on Holy Thursday and Good Friday (March 28<sup>th</sup> and 29<sup>th</sup>).



They would appreciate one hour of your time. Contact Joe on 087 411 3229

### TROCAIRE PARISH VOLUNTEER

**TROCAIRE** Working for a Just World As we begin a new year, why not consider becoming a Trócaire Parish Volunteer and help make a difference in some of our world's most vulnerable communities by taking part in a wide range of events to help Trócaire spread the word about the vital work they do. For more information, call Fr Joe Begley on 086 -2498967 or Janet Twomey on 021-4275622 or email [volunteering@trocaire.org](mailto:volunteering@trocaire.org).

