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 SPA PARISH CHURCHILL/FENIT

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CHURCHILL - FENIT

The Ascension of Our Lord 12th May 2024

EMERGENCY CALLS: Saturday & Sunday will be covered by the priests of the Tralee Pastoral Area (St. John's, Our Lady & St. Brendan's & Spa).

The priest on duty this weekend (11th/12th May) is Fr. Mark Moriarty. Phone: 087 2069656.

The priest on duty next weekend (18th/19th May) is Fr. Francis Nolan. Phone: 087 2069656.

Masses streamed live on spaparish@dioceseofkerry.ie
Click on Churchill or Fenit Church

 Please pray for all who died recently:

And also for all those whose anniversaries occur at this time, including:

Mary Egan, Fenit.

ADORATION OF THE MOST BLESSED SACRAMENT

Tuesday in Fenit Church from 10.30am until 12 Noon. Rosary at 9.45am.

Thursday in Churchill Church from 3pm until 7.00pm. (No evening Mass).

Weekly Adoration will be offered for peace for the present time.



MESSAGE FROM FR. FRANCIS

Dear Friends, Praise the Lord for these beautiful summer days. They have been a great blessing.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION: Congratulations to the children of Spa National School who received their First Holy Communion this weekend. First Holy Communion for Fenit National School takes place next Saturday, 18th May, in Fenit Church at 11.00am. Please keep all the children receiving their First Holy Communion in your prayers.

PENTECOST SUNDAY: Pentecost takes place next weekend, 18th/19th May. We welcome the Confirmation candidates and their families to the 7.30pm Vigil Mass in Churchill Church on Saturday 18th May. We ask the Lord to continue to bless you as you move forward.

CORPUS CHRISTI: The Feast of Corpus Christi falls on 1st/2nd June. Our Parish Corpus Christi Procession will take place in Churchill this year after the 11.30am Mass on Sunday 2nd June. The Procession will begin at the back of the Church and process through the Presbytery grounds to the main road and from there past the Forge back to the Church grounds where Benediction will take place at the statue of Our Blessed Lady at the Church gable. We welcome all the First Holy Communion children and their families to take part in the procession which they will lead. We also invite all Parish Groups and Organisations to join in the Procession and, where possible, carrying a banner or flag. This is a very special opportunity for us all to honour the Blessed Sacrament.

YOUTH MASS: A Youth Mass will take place in Fenit Church on Saturday 25th May at 6.30pm. All young people are invited to attend and the special intention of the Mass will be the upcoming student exams. The theme of the Mass is 'Dream, Hope & Celebrate' and there will also be opportunities for a lot of participation in the Mass. There will also be some social time in the adjoining Parish Centre after Mass. As a Parish we wish to reach out to young people at this time to join us for this special Mass.

WALK IN HONOUR OF PATRICIA CLAFFEY (nee) COLLINS, RIP: A walk will take place on Sunday next, 19th May, from Garvey's Supermarket, Tralee through the Green (Town Park) and back. Patricia gave generous and diligent service in Garvey's Supermarket for ten years. She showed great care and kindness to people, especially during the COVID period. Patricia sadly lost her battle with cancer last October and was given tremendous care in the Palliative Care Unit at UHK in Tralee. All proceeds of the walk will go to the Palliative Care Unit in Tralee. Collection buckets are in Garvey's this week as well as sponsorship cards. Your support would be greatly appreciated.

FEAST OF ST. BRENDAN & ST. BRENDAN'S FESTIVAL: Thursday next, 16th May. Please see programme details below and also see the poster on the Church notice boards.

God Bless, Fr. Francis.

SCHEDULE OF MASSES THIS WEEKEND & COMING WEEK

Saturday 11th May	7.30pm	Churchill	Sheila Kelly, (3rd anniversary), Michael Kelly, (42nd anniversary) and their grand daughter, Erica, (26th anniversary), Fenit.
Sunday 12th May	9.30am	Fenit	People of the Parish & intentions and thanksgivings recorded in Church intention books and all who have asked for remembrance in prayer.
	11.30am	Churchill	Patrick Brosnan, London & Chapeltown, (1st anniversary).
Monday 13th May	10.00am	Fenit	Special Intention.
Tuesday 14th May	10.00am	Fenit	Special Intention.
Thursday 16th May <i>Feast of St. Brendan</i> <i>No 7.30pm Mass in Churchill</i>	6.00am	Fenit Beach	Dawn Mass in honour of St. Brendan & for People of the Parish.
	10.00am	Fenit Church	Peter & Catherine Ryan, Grange, Co. Louth, (anniversaries).
Friday 17th May	7.30pm	Churchill	Special Intention.
Saturday 18th May	7.30pm	Churchill	Mass for Confirmation candidates.
Sunday 19th May	9.30am	Fenit	Kathleen O'Sullivan, London & Fenit Island, (4th anniversary).
	11.30am	Churchill	James Hennessey, Kilmorna, Listowel, (anniversary).

PARISH COLLECTION: 5th May 2024: Total: €1,056.20 (Weekly Envelopes, & Offertory €956.20, & Teach na Sagart, €100.) Thank you for your generosity and making such a huge effort to support the Parish. Míle Buióchas.



TRALEE RED CROSS: Are running a Free Red Cross 'Taster Session' for prospective volunteers on Saturday next, 18th May. Enquiries from chair.tralee@irishredcross.com

DIOCESAN COLLECTION: This weekend, 11th/12th May, in aid of the education of Clergy. Please support. Many thanks.

MASS CARDS: Sympathy, Get Well, & general Mass Bouquet cards signed by Fr. Francis are available in the Gala Shop, Fenit and also from Anne Daughton, Sacristan, Churchill, 087 9951601.

ANNUAL KERRY DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO KNOCK: The second Annual Pilgrimage to Knock will take place on Saturday 24th August. Further details to follow.

EXAM MASS CARDS: (signed by Fr. Francis) are available from Anne Daughton.



ST. BRENDAN'S FESTIVAL: St. Brendan's Festival takes place on Thursday 16th May. The title of the festival is 'From Dawn to Dusk'. Special events will take place all day in Fenit including two special Masses that morning. Firstly, a Dawn Mass on Fenit Beach at 6.00am for 'Health & Wellbeing' and secondly, Mass at 10.00am in Fenit Church led by St. Brendan's National School, Fenit. At 7.30pm that evening, a Procession will take place from Fenit Pier to the statue of St. Brendan. All welcome.

OTHER FEAST OF ST. BRENDAN EVENTS: A pilgrimage in honour of St. Brendan will take place throughout the diocese between 11th & 18th May. The following events are relevant to our Parish:

- **Monday 13th May:** There will be a walk from St. Brendan's Cathedral, Ardfert commencing at 10.00am and proceed via Churchill to arrive at the statue of St. Brendan at Fenit Pier at 1.30pm.
- **Tuesday 14th May:** There will be a walk starting at 11.30am from the statue of St. Brendan, Fenit Pier to Derrynane (via Fenit, Tralee Greenway).
- **Saturday 18th May:** There will be a Seminar on St. Brendan in the Parish Centre at Fenit Church from 2.00pm to 4.00pm. All welcome.