

St. Colman's Parish 22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time 31st August/1st September 2024

I don't smoke during Lent!"

About 2 o'clock on a cold, blustery morning the rectory telephone rang. "I think grandpa is dying," an excited voice declared. As it was just two streets away Fr. Murray decided to walk to anoint the dying man. As he passed an alley a figure with a gun stepped out and demanded: "Give me your money." The priest told the gunman: "My wallet is in the pocket of my coat. As the priest opened his coat the gunman noticed his Roman collar. He said: "I am sorry, I didn't know that you were a priest. I beg your pardon, Father! Keep your money." In grateful relief Fr. Murray offered him a cigarette. But the fellow shook his head saying, "No Father, thank you very much, but I don't smoke during Lent!" — In this week's Gospel, Jesus calls such blind observance of rules and tradition, hypocrisy.

Jesus describes true religion as serving God and all His children with a pure and holy heart.

Let us avoid the tendency to become "cafeteria Christians" — that is, to choose certain Commandments and Church laws to follow, while ignoring the others as we choose certain food items and ignore others in a cafeteria.

Let each of us accept the challenge to become hearers and doers of God's word as St. James instructs us: Let us ask ourselves how the Sunday or daily readings are affecting or changing our lives. That will show us whether we are being attentive listeners to, and doers of, God's word. We become more fully Jesus 'family members, only when we consistently "hear the word of God and do it" (Lk 8:21). When we receive Jesus in Holy Communion today, let us ask for the grace to become the doers of his word as Jesus was the doer of his Fathers 'will.

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Recent Death: Please pray for the repose of the soul of				
Maureen Whittle née O' Shea, Kilcolman/America				
Georgina Stephens née Bowler, Milltown/Castlegregory				
Baptism: We welcome into our Christian community				
Chloe & Rian O' Connor, Callinafercy				

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament takes place every Friday evening in Milltown church from 6:00p.m. – 7:00 p.m.

Masses & Intentions

Mon. Sept. 2 nd			No Mass	
Tues. Sept. 3 rd	Listry	7:00 p.m.		
Wed. Sept. 4 th	Milltown	10:00a.m.	People of the Parish	
Thurs Sept. 5 th	Milltown		No Mass	
	Milltown	7:00 p.m.	Jerry O' Shea, Kenmare	
Fri. Sept. 6 th	Listry	8:00 p.m.	Billy Gray Lahard, Beaufort	
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Sat. Sept. 7 th	Listry	6:00p.m.	Faha	
Sun. Sept. 8 th	Milltown	11:15 a.m.	John Griffin Castlemaine Road	
Eucharistic Ministers				
Listry Saturday Sept. 7 th N			Margaret Gallagher	
Milltown Sunday Sept. 8 th			Tim Fleming	
Minister of the Word				
Listry Saturday Sept. 7 th			Family Readers	
Milltown Sunday	/ Sept. 8 th	F	Family Readers	

All Weekend Masses will be streamed online via <u>www.milltownlistryparish.com</u> or churchmediatv.ie. The webcam in Milltown and Listry church captures images of individuals who sit in the first two seats of the church. Please sit in another part of the Church if you do not wish your image to be broadcast in this way. Flower Arranger: Joan Allman 31st August – 13th September

<u>Second Collection:</u> will be taken up at Masses w/e 7th /8th September - Pastoral Centre

First Friday Communion Calls: will take place on Friday Sept. 6^{th.} If you have a family member or neighbour who wishes to receive Holy Communion each month in their home, please contact Fr. Danny, (087) 9061255 Rev. Conor (087) 3664057 or the parish office (066) 97 67312.

<u>Monthly Prayer Meeting</u>: takes place in the Nagle Rice community Hall on Sun. Sept. 1st from 8:00 p.m. -9.30pm. Guest speaker Andy Campbell, Healing the Land Ministry. Northern Ireland. All are welcome.

Annual Legion of Mary Pilgrimage to Knock Shrine: takes place on Sunday 29th September. Bus leaves the Park Rd, Killarney at 6.30 a.m. Farranfore 7 a.m. Castleisland 7.20 a.m. Further details, please contact Pat Breen (086) 8510423

Season of Creation: The diocese is hosting a webinar to celebrate the Season of Creation on 12th Sept 7.30.pm. To register go to <u>www.dioceseofkerry.ie</u> Speaker Dr. Niamh Brennan, educator and writer will focus on what is arguably the most critical crisis of our time, the climate crisis, whose effects are growing in our daily lives and raising concerns about the future of all life. Niamh will help us to celebrate the Season of Creation and to move forward *To Hope and Act with Creation*

<u>Relics of St Bernadette:</u> In 1858, Our Blessed Lady appeared 18 times to a young girl, Bernadette Soubirous in Lourdes. Bernadette died in 1879 and was later canonized in 1933. Her relics will journey on pilgrimage to Ireland for the very first time, visiting every diocese in the country from September 4th to November 5th this year. This very special, once-in-a-lifetime event will provide an opportunity for people of all ages and backgrounds to experience the special gifts and charisms of Lourdes in our diocese. The Relics will be brought to St Brendan's Church, Tralee on Friday September 13th and Saturday September 14th.

• <u>FRIDAY PROGRAMME</u> 12 noon: Veneration begins 3pm: Stations of the Cross 6.30pm: Mass 8.30pm: Rosary and Veneration concludes

• <u>SATURDAY PROGRAMME</u>: 9.30am: Parish Mass 12 noon: Mass for the sick with the Sacrament of Anointing 4pm: Rosary 6.30pm: Vigil Mass 9pm: Torchlight procession and Veneration concludes

Lord

Clear my mind to follow you with all my heart, all my soul, all my mind, and all my strength. Through Jesus Christ, our Lord Mighty Lord, please be with me every day. Watch over my steps and keep me safe as I take action and make decisions in my life. Amen

Booking an Anniversary Mass for 2025

If you would like to book an Anniversary Mass for a loved one in the upcoming year, the 2025 booking diary will open on Thursday, September 5th. Please be aware that during the first week, only First Anniversary Masses can be booked. The diary will be open for all other Anniversary Masses starting from Thursday, Sept. 12th.

Parish weekend collections

Last Weekend - €1,000.00 Thank you for your generous and continuous support.

The offertory collection is not being taken up during Mass at this time. However, there are boxes available for your contributions at the front and side entrances of Milltown church, as well as at the front entrance of Listry church. Your generosity is greatly appreciated.

Killorglin Pastoral Area Priest on Duty this weekend Fr. Kevin Sullivan (087) 6277638

Found: set of keys found near bottle bank in Listry on Friday Aug. 23rd. Please contact the parish office (066) 9767312