**St Michael’s Church Allihies/Cahermore Parish**

**Mass Schedule September ‘24**

***Priest on Duty 01st Sept*** ***Fr. Noel Spring.*** 087-2935969

***Mass Times :*** Thurs evening @ 7pm Cahermore: Every Friday evening @ 6.30pm Allihies Every second Sunday Cahermore @10.00am: Every second Saturday Allihies @ 6.30pm.

**Fr. John Kerin may be contacted on 086-1918246.**

***We remember in our prayers all those who died recently we remember especially Garda Dave Fenton, Castletownbere and all those whose anniversaries occur at this time.***

***Mass Intentions for Weekend 31st Aug & 01 Sept - 22nd Sunday in Ordinary time***

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| **Aug/Sept** |  |  |  |
| Thursday  | 29th Aug | Cahermore  | Burial of Ashes of Patricia Harrington, Counlough and London at 3pm. |
| Thursday | 29th Aug | Cahermore | Frances & Jerome Sullivan, Billerough |
| Friday | 30th Aug  | Allihies | Domnic Hartnett, Cluin |
| Sunday | 01st Sept | Cahermore | Mass for the People of the Parish  |

***Mass Intentions for Weekend 07th & 08th September – 23rd Sunday in Ordinary time***

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| **September** |  |  |  |
| Thursday  | 05th Sept  | Cahermore | Mass for the People of the Parish |
| Friday  | 06th Sept | Allihies | Nonie Harrington, Ballydonegan 30th Anniversary.Also remembering her husband Manus, John, Kevin & Mary, John Sullivan, and all the deceased family members  |
| Saturday | 07th Sept | Allihies  | Ger Kelly, Allihies and Ballincollig.  |

**Eucharist Adoration at Cahermore Church at 6pm every Thursday.**

**For Mass, Christening or Wedding bookings please contact Claire at the parish office: 086-8344354 or email** **allihies@dioceseofkerry.ie** **Please Note Parish Office**  **opening hours Tues and Thurs 2pm until 6pn.**

**Beara Community Gathering Friday October 4th from 12.30pm ‘til late afternoon** - We are inviting the older people in our community to come along to the Beara Community Gathering at the Berehaven Lodge, Castletownbere on October 4th at 12.30pm. Join us and others from your community in enjoying a delicious three-course meal, live music, dancing and a fun raffle. The cost is €10 per head and transport to and from the venue is available on request. Please book your place by contacting Moira at Beara West Family Resource Centre at 027 70998.

**Beara ETB** will be holding an open day on Friday 30th August from 11am - 2pm. Please come along to find out information on a range of courses including computers, sewing, textiles, cooking, gardening, crafts, art, English class, literacy and Irish classes. If you are not available to attend but are interested in attending a class, please contact Noreen on 086 8239147 for more information.

**Be part of the St Bernadette Relic Pilgrimage in Ireland** 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 first time, from September 4th to November 5th, taking in every diocese in the country. In Kerry, Our Lady & St Brendan’s Church, Tralee will be where the relics can be venerated on Friday September 13th and Saturday September 14th.  More details later.

**The diocese is hosting a webinar to celebrate the Season of Creation on 12th Sept  at 7.30.pm.** Go to [www.dioceseofkerry.ie](http://www.dioceseofkerry.ie)  for more information and to register. 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

*Creation is groaning in the pains of childbirth. – Week 1 thought for the Season of Creation*

*This biblical image pictures the Earth as a Mother, groaning as in childbirth. The times we live in show that we are not relating to the Earth as a gift from our Creator, but rather as a resource to be used. Saint Francis of Assisi understood this when he referred to the Earth as our sister and our mother in his Canticle of Creatures. How can Mother Earth look after us if we do not look after her? Creation is groaning because of our selfishness and the unsustainable actions that harm her.*

**Back to School Reflection** We thank you Lord, for all that was good during the summer, For the love of our family and friends, And for the sunshine and warm days. As we begin a new school year, we ask for your help and pray your blessing on everybody in this school. Show us how to work together for the good of all. May we share our talents and abilities to the full and grow in knowledge, wisdom, and happiness. Give us the grace to become more like Jesus in the ways we think and behave. During this school year let us become builders of your ways and instruments of your peace. We ask this school year blessing through Jesus Christ, Our Lord. Amen.