



Ballyheigue

Third Sunday of Advent

14th-15th December 2024



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The Parish Office is open in the Presbytery, 9.40am-1.00pm Wednesday & Thursday mornings (closed on Holy Days). All bookings for Masses, Baptisms and Weddings to go through the Parish office, Mass cards also available. Email: ballyheigue@dioceseofkerry.ie

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Live streaming of masses on: wwwdioceseofkerry.ie-Parishes - Ballyheigue -click on picture of the Church.

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Under GDPR, the recording of Requiem/Funeral Masses, is a decision for the next-of-kin of the deceased and must be requested via the undertaker. The undertaker will make the family aware of this.

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Baptisms: 2nd & 4th Saturdays of the month.

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Celebration of The Sacrament of Reconciliation takes place on 1st Thursday of every month at 7pm. \*Individual Confessions available on request.

Deaths

Christopher Welsh, Marian Pk

Anniversaries

Patrick Jr. O'Neill,

Mass intentions for this weekend

Saturday Vigil.....Bridie Enright (1st Ann.)

Sunday Mass..... John & Bridie Gaynor

Mass intentions for the coming week.

- Tue.... 7.00pm John Hare (Enrolment for 1st Communion)
Thur... 6.30pm Adoration of Blessed Sacrament
7.00pm Ryan Gaynor (1st Ann.) (please note time)
Fri.... 7.00pm John Flahive & Grandparents.
Sat.... .8.00pm Kitty Reidy (21st Ann.)
Sun...10.00am Mary Hobbins (2nd Ann.)

The Offertory Collection €910, thank you for your continuing support of our Parish. You may continue to hand in your Parish Envelopes to the Post office and we thank the Post Office for continuing to provide this facility to us. Their assistance is greatly appreciated.

What must I do?

'What must we do?' is a question that begins today's Gospel. It is a question we will often find ourselves asking. For us as followers of Jesus, as people who have been baptized into Christ, the question becomes 'What does the Lord want me to do?' 'What is the Lord asking of me?' The answer to that question won't always be easy to find. We may need guidance. The people in today's gospel looked to John the Baptist for guidance. We too may need to talk to someone who can help us to see what it is we must do. We each have to work out what the call of the gospel means for us in our own specific circumstances of life: what must I do no one else can do, that no one else is called to do, because my circumstances in life are unique to me? ~ Fr Gerard

Masses for the Christmas Season Christmas Eve ,Vigil Mass 8.00pm Christmas Day Mass, 10.00am

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Christmas Mass Bouquet cards available in the Parish office on Wednesday and Thursday mornings.

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Communion Calls to the Elderly for Christmas- Please note Fr Jerry Keane will bring Communion to the elderly on Monday -week, 23rd December at the usual time. Please inform relatives and friends

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Confessions for Christmas available before the 7.00pm Mass next Friday 20th December.

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Enrolment for First Holy Communion will take place this Tuesday at 7pm Mass.

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Parish Envelopes Distribution: Our sincere thanks to all the Area Representatives who distribute the Parish envelopes for our Parish. Thanks also to all our Parishioners for their generous and faithful support.

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St. Joseph's N.S. are holding their Carol Service in the Church next Wednesday 18th December at 7pm. All welcome.

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Parish Office The Parish office will close for the Christmas break from Thursday 19th December at 1.00pm and will reopen on Thursday January 2nd at 9.40am

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Christmas Dues for the Priests of the Pastoral Area are now due in the pink envelopes in your box of envelopes. Pink Christmas Offering envelopes are available on the table at both exits for people who do not pay through the parish envelope system. 'We thank you all for your continuous support to us throughout the year and may the Lord bless you and keep you safe at Christmas and the coming year, Fr Gerard, Fr Pat and Fr Jerry

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2025, A Jubilee Year in the Church.

A Jubilee Year is held every twenty-five years. Pope Francis will officially open the year by opening a Holy Door in St Peter's Basilica, Rome on Christmas Eve. The beginning will be celebrated worldwide on the following Sunday, 29th December Feast Day of the Holy Family in every diocese worldwide, and thus at all our Masses that weekend. Pope Francis has chosen the Jubilee theme 'Pilgrims of Hope'. We are asked to treat the year ahead as a year-long pilgrimage seeking together to become more aware that truly Jesus Christ Our Saviour is with us each day, - as our help, strength and guide. When we speak of 'Hope' we mean 'Hope in Jesus Christ', Hope in our God, Father, Son and Spirit.