



St. Colman's Parish
2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time
18th /19th January 2025

I have two wives

There was an article in Reader's Digest recently by a man named Patrick Cooney titled, "Why I Wear Two Wedding Bands." Cooney says that he has worn two wedding rings for more than a dozen years. When he's asked about them, he responds, "I have two wives." He's kidding, of course. One day a stranger would not let him off with this glib answer about why he wears two rings. So, Cooney spilled the whole story. He explained his father died in 1999. As they were saying their final farewells at his funeral, his mother, who had been married to his father for 50-plus years, removed his father's wedding ring and handed it to Patrick. Surprised, he placed the gold ring on his left middle finger, next to his wedding ring. There it has remained. He told the stranger that he wears his father's wedding ring to honour his father and his parents' marriage. He also wears it to remind himself to be the son, brother, husband, and dad that his father wanted him to be. He is now 60 years old and has been married for 30 years. The stranger walked away, then turned back and said, "Sir, you know, I have my father's wedding ring in my sock drawer at home, and beginning today, I am going to start wearing it." — Powerful story. But isn't it true of all our relationships? It's important not only to be faithful and attentive to our spouse, but to our children or our parents and our friends. I can tell you right now, without any hesitation at all, that it is God's will for us to take care of our relationships. Jesus demonstrated this by honouring Mary's wish and saving the family reputation of the bridegroom at Cana.

Let us follow Mary's instruction, "Do whatever He tells you." This is the only recorded command given by Mary in the New Testament, and it is a prerequisite for miracles in our families. Just as Jesus filled the empty water jars with wine, let us fill the empty hearts around us with love. By the miracle of Cana, Jesus challenges us also to enrich the empty lives of those around us with the new wine of love, mercy, concern, and care. 4) Let us learn to appreciate the miracles of God's providence in our lives. God, often as an uninvited guest in our families, works daily miracles in our lives by protecting us from physical and moral dangers, providing for our needs, inspiring us, and strengthening us with His Holy Spirit. Let us also appreciate, where God transforms our offering of bread and wine into the Body and Blood of Jesus.

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Recent Deaths: Please pray for
Kevin O' Shea, Lissivane East &
Teddy Brosnan, Rockfield Faha
Bridget Breen, London/Abbeyfeale

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament takes place every Friday in Milltown Church from 5:00p.m. -7:00p.m.

Masses & Intentions

Mon. Jan. 20 th			<i>No Mass</i>
Tues. Jan. 21 st	Listry	7:00 p.m.	<i>Dan & Mary McCarthy Lissivane West</i>
Wed. Jan. 22 nd	Milltown	10:00 a.m.	<i>People of the Parish</i>
Thurs. Jan. 23 rd			<i>No Mass</i>
Friday Jan. 24 th	Milltown	7:00 p.m.	<i>Frances Twiss, Callinafercy</i>
Sat. Jan. 25 th	Listry	6:00 p.m.	<i>Stephen O' Donoghue Lissivane East</i>
Sun. Jan. 26 th	Milltown	11:15 a.m.	<i>Joe Kneasfey Killarney Road, Milltown</i>

Eucharistic Ministers

Milltown Sunday Jan. 26th Anna Clifford & Tim Fleming

Minister of the Word

Listry Saturday Jan. 25th Sinead O' Donnell

Milltown Sunday Jan. 26th Josephine Twiss

- All Weekend Masses will be streamed online via www.milltownlistryparish.com 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.

Killorglin Pastoral Area

Priest on Duty this Sunday:

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Flower Arranger: Margot Lawlor - 24th January – 7th Feb.

Diocesan Mission 2025: The diocesan mission, Pilgrims of Hope, will take place from Sunday Jan 19th – Wednesday Jan 22nd. Each day, you are invited to join in the Mission Talk, Prayer, Mass, Video Reflection, Prayer Petition and Family Time. Speakers include Br Richard Hendrick, Caoimhe de Barra, David Wells and Martina Lehane Sheehan. To participate in the Mission, register through the diocesan website, www.dioceseofkerry.ie

Catholic Schools week: This Sunday marks the beginning of Catholic Schools Week 2025. During this week the aim is to celebrate the unique contribution that Catholic schools make to their communities.

This year's theme is Catholic Schools: **Alive in Christ**. For further information Google "Catholic Schools week 2025".

***Last weekend collection - €540.00
Thank you for your generous support***

The offertory collection is currently not being taken up during Mass. There are boxes at the front and side entrance of the Milltown church and front entrance in Listry church for your contributions. Thank you.

Refreshments after Sunday Mass in Milltown: Please join us for refreshments after Mass on Sunday January 19th in Milltown church.

Winners in Parish Draw 2024

1.	Paddy Flynn	23	John O' Shea
2.	Saibh O' Brien	24	Pat Twiss
3.	Ciara & Mark O' Sullivan	25	Pat O' Sullivan
4.	Mary O' Shea	26	Donal Hickey
5.	Margaret Coakley	27	Geraldine Galvin
6.	Nancy Coffey	28	Rachel Twohy
7.	Paddy & Margo Lawlor	29	Kathleen Courtney
8.	John & Rita Rice	30	Betty Griffin
9.	Margart Flaherty	31	Ita O' Connor
10	Michael & Dorothy Casey	32	Josie Spring
11	Joan O' Brien	33	Bernie Foley
12	Colman O' Shea	34	Michael Shanahan
13	John Foley	35	Jeremy Foley
14	Bernard Cronin	36	Sinead Coakley
15	James McCarthy	37	Kathleen Rioran
16	Elaine McCarthy	38	John & Betty Moriarty
17	Finn Hayes	39	Pat Foley
18	O' Reilly Family	40	Charles McCarthy
19	Geraldine & Alan Colman		
20	Pauline O' Sullivan		
21	Timmy Edwards		
22	Jim Stephens		

Parish Draw Sponsors 2024

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Peter Clendennen Electrical
Sandra Flynn Beauty Salon

A very sincere word of thanks to the Fundraising Committee. It is a difficult task, but they meet it with enthusiasm and dedication over the years. I express my heartfelt appreciation, and we should all recognise and thank them for their work.

I also extend my thanks to all our Sponsors, whose generosity and ongoing support over the years is truly valued. Lastly a big thank you to everyone who purchased tickers to support parish funds.

The total amount lodged to date is **€8,395.00**

Fr. Danny Broderick