Tap to donate terminal at the back of St. Mary's to facilitate card payments.

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Kerry Diocesan Pilgrimage to Fatima 2025 takes place from 11th to 15th May 2002. The pilgrimage will be led by Fr Noel Spring.

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Diocesan online Mission takes place this Sunday 19th January to Wednesday 22nd. The theme this year is 'Pilgrims of Hope'. Check out the diocesan website www.dioceseofkerry.ie to see the speakers and the details of daily events. Please take a Mission booklet available in the

Accord now seeking marriage preparation facilitators. Might this be you ...?

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Accord Catholic Marriage Care Service CLG is currently recruiting volunteers to train as marriage preparation programme facilitators. If you: are supportive of marriage in the Catholic Church: and, have the enthusiasm to be part of the Accord team that supports couples preparing for the Sacrament of Marriage ... then Accord wishes to hear from you! Contact Aisling on 01 505 3112 or bv email marriagepreparation@accord.ie and for further information see www.accord.ie marriage Accord preparation facilitator is a personally fulfilling role, blending life experience and faith. Successful applicants will receive professional training in the Accord marriage preparation programme and

be part of a team delivering programmes locally.

Senior citizen lunch every Tuesday in the Clubrooms. New members are always welcome. Please note there is a new phone number to contact - Michelle on 085 2432251

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Sunday 19 January 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. Mass for Grandparents Day in St. Mary's at 11.30am next Friday 24th – all welcome.

West Kerry Pilgrimage to Lourdes Sept 14<sup>th</sup> – 19<sup>th</sup> 2025: 5 nights from Cork Airport. Cost: €969pps. Deposit €350. Bookings: Contact Cathy or Eileen in the Dingle Parish Office, 066 9151208.

Sincere thanks to the Maharee Wren who donated €500 to Kerry Hospice, €500 to Kerry branch of the Kidney Association and €500 to Kerry Parents and Friends.

## THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

"A Christian's struggle must be unceasing, for the interior life consists in beginning and beginning again."

St. Josemaria Escriva

# Parish Life Newsletter

19<sup>th</sup> January 2025 Second Sunday in Ordinary Time c



### St Therese of Lisieux

"Do you realise that Jesus is there in the tabernacle expressly for you – for you alone? He burns with the desire to come into your heart... Don't listen to the demon; laugh at him and go without fear to receive the Jesus of peace and love."

#### **Office Hours**

Mondays & Holy Days - Closed
Tuesdays - 11.00am to 3.00pm
Wednesdays - 11.00am to 4.00pm
Thursday - Working from home text or
phone mobile number 087 1438060
between 11.00am to 4.30pm
Friday - 11am to 4.30pm.
Closed 1pm to 1.30pm for lunch.

Weekend Mass Times
St. Mary's Castlegregory
Sunday 11.30am
St. Brendan's Cloghane
Saturday Vigil 6.15pm
(alternating with St.
Mary's Camp)
(see newsletter)
www.dioceseofkerry.ie

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Parish Priest
Fr Eamonn Mulvihill

Parish Secretary
Bernie Dowling

### DONATE



#### Confession

St. Mary's – First Fridays after 7.00pm Mass St. Brendan's – Tuesdays closest to First Fridays after the 7.00pm

### **Daily Parish Eucharistic Adoration**

### St. Mary's

Monday – 10.00am to 11.00am Wednesday - 10.00am to 11.00am and 5pm to 9pm Friday – 10.00am to 11.00am Sunday – 12.20 (after Mass) 1.20pm

#### St. Brendan's

Tuesday – 11.15am to 12.15pm Thursday – 2.00pm to 3.00pm Saturday – 11.15am to 12.15pm Sunday – 9.15am to 10.15am

### Week beginning 19th January 2025 Second Sunday in Ordinary Time C



The Gospel this Sunday is a very familiar one. Jesus performs His first miracle at the wedding in Cana. Jesus and Mary are with all their neighbours and friends enjoying a local wedding. Mary noticed that the wine had run out and to save the bride and groom embarrassment, she told Jesus what had happened. Mary put the problem in Jesus' Mary notices what we need in our lives too, where we need to improve, our troubles and our worries and she brings them to Jesus to tell us what to do. She is our intercessor; she places all these things Jesus hands. She in doesn't tell Jesus what to do; she knows and trusts in Him.

At the wedding, Jesus seemed uninterested at first, but then He

asked the servants to fill the water Jars. Mary simply said to the servants "Do whatever He tells you". When the master of the feast tasted the wine, he declared "But you have kept the good wine until now!" Mary's trust in Jesus was fully justified before all the people. She initiated His first miracle. We need to be able to trust like Mary in Jesus' plan for us. In today's second reading from Corinthians, we are told "The particular way in which the Spirit is given to each person is for a good purpose." The realisation that Jesus knows and loves us as individuals and has a special role for each of us to fulfil in our lives should encourage us to do as Jesus says. On our own we can't make progress but if we ask Mary to intercede for us and place all our trust in Jesus as Mary did, we will be on the right road. Jesus, I trust in Thee!

St. Mary's - Sunday 19th

January @ 11.30am Intention:

Sean Mulcahy, Lisnagree - second anniversary.

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St. Brendan's - Saturday vigil @ 6.15pm - (1) Abbie & Tadgh Corkery and son in law John Moriarty. (2) Deceased members of the O'Dubhda family, Baile na Leacon.

### We Pray for

Eamonn Murphy, Cloghane Seamus Ashe, Ashes's Bar, Camp (funeral Mass in Camp on Thursday @ 12 noon) Beatrice Dowling, Stradbally

## Weekday Mass Schedule

# St. Mary's Church

Monday 20<sup>th</sup> January – No Parish Mass

Tuesday 21st January @ 10.00am – Private Intention

<u>Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> January</u> – No Parish Mass:

Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> January @ 10.00am - Private Intention

Friday 24th January @ 11.30am Mass for Grandparents Day – Catholic Schools week.

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Friday 24th January @ 7.00pm – Intention: Beatrice Dowling, Stradbally anniversary & her husband Tom.

Saturday 25th January – Baptisms @ 1.30pm and 3.00pm

Sunday 26th January @ 11.30am Intention: Mary Joe McNamara, Aughacasla Second Anniv.

# St Brendan's Church,

<u>Tuesday 21st January</u> @ 7.00pm Private Intention.

Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> January no vigil Mass in St. Brendan's. Vigil Mass in Camp church @ 6.15pm

The next Baptism preparation evening takes place Monday 10<sup>th</sup> March @ 7.30pm in the Clubrooms. This is a requirement for Baptism so please contact the parish office as soon as possible if planning to baptize your baby. Tel 066 7130145.

Planned Giving Boxes for 2025
Still some boxes remaining, please collect them if you haven't already done so. Thank you for your continued support of the envelope collection. If you would like to contribute through the envelope system, please contact the parish office.

The next family Mass will be on Sunday 9th February at 11.30am in St. Mary's. Refreshments in the Clubrooms afterwards.

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Priest on Deanery duty this Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> January is Fr Eamonn Mulvihill. In the event of an emergency please call 066 7139145

If a family member, neighbour or friend would like to be added to the First Friday calls, please contact the parish office 0667139188