



Our Lady & St. Brendan's Parish

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December 9th & 10th

PLEASE PRAY FOR:

- ***Aidan Ruane**, Leedrive, Tralee.
- ***Lena Hussey**, The Bungalows, Stacks Villas.
- ***John (Johnny) Foley**, Brandon Place, Tralee.
- ***Margaret Ann (Marjorie) O'Donnell, (nee O'Keefe)**, Ballygarron, The Spa.
- ***Brian Foley**, Mitchel's Avenue, Tralee.
- ***Ellen Mary (Lena) O'Donoghue**, Ballyseedy Cottages.

And all who have died this week and also those whose anniversaries occur at this time.

May they rest in peace.

OUR LADY AND ST. BRENDAN'S CHURCH

MASS TIMES FOR CHRISTMAS

Christmas Eve: 6.30pm & 8.30pm.

Christmas Day: 10.00am, 11.15am & 12.30pm.

Please note that the later Mass on Christmas Eve will take place at 8.30pm.

CONFESSION TIMES FOR CHRISTMAS

Penance Service for Christmas will be held on Monday December 18th at 7pm. Confessions on Saturday December 23rd 12-1pm and 4-5pm.

ST. PADRE PIO; monthly Mass in Our Lady & St. Brendan's Church will take place on Tuesday, December 12th at 6.30pm. All welcome.

ST. JOSEPH'S YOUNG PRIESTS SOCIETY: Monthly meeting will be held in the Pastoral Centre this Thursday December 14th at 10am. All welcome.

TROCAIRE GIFT VOUCHERS: are available for sale from the Parish Office. The Vouchers vary from €7, €15, €30, €50 & €65.

KERRY RIGHT TO LIFE GROUP; official launch of Group in the Rose Hotel Tuesday December 12th at 7.30pm. Special guest speaker Katie Ascough (Former UCD SU President).

KERRY CHORAL UNION; presents O Holy Night with Miriam Murphy, Soprano at St. John the Baptist Church, Castle Street this Sunday December 10th, at 7.30pm. Musical Director Sharon Reidy. Accompanist Ian Sexton. "Christmas begins in Tralee when the Kerry Choral Union sing".

CHRISTMAS CARDS: Christmas Mass Bouquets available from the Parish Office. Enable Ireland Christmas Cards ...€5 for 8 cards.



SIAMSA TIRE: choir celebrates the season of goodwill on Friday 15th December at 8pm, with an evening of Christmas carols in Ceiliúradh na Nollag. There will be a mixture of traditional carols along with some beautiful Irish airs. With special guests the O'Neill Sisters and some festive nibbles to start off the evening, there's sure to be a little piece of Christmas to suit everyone's taste. Tickets available on 066-7123055

TRALEE/WEST KERRY MULTIPLE SCLEROSIS SOCIETY; have Christmas cards for sale in aid of their charity. Contact Michael 086 6820067.

BLESSING OF CRIB IN RATH CEMETERY; this Sunday December 10th at 5pm. All welcome.

REMEMBRANCE TREE: Christmas Remembrance Service at Town Hall, Princes Quay this Sunday December 10th at 3pm to remember those who have died by suicide. You are invited to place a little ornament on the tree in memory of your loved one.

ANAM CARA; the organisation that supports bereaved parents, is holding its next monthly Parent Evening in Recovery Haven, Haig's Terrace on Tuesday December 12th, 7.30pm - 9pm.

TOMMY FLEMING CONCERT; at The Friary Church, Killarney, Thursday Dec. 14th at 8pm. Doors open at 7pm. Tickets available from Friary Mass Office or on www.tommyfleming.com

LIAM LAWTON CONCERT; St Mary's Cathedral, Killarney Sunday Dec. 17th in Aid of Kilcummin National School. Concert commences at 7pm. Tickets available from Tom 087 2890630 or liamlawtontickets@gmail.com

KERRY HOSPICE FLAG DAY; will take place in Tralee on Sat. Dec 16th. Volunteers needed. If you feel you can help 087 2941470.

MERCY MOUNTHAWK CHRISTMAS CAROL SERVICE 2017; at St. Brendan's Church on Dec. 13th at 7.30pm. Free event.

CHRISTMAS FAIR: Will take place in Gael Scoil Mhic Easmainn school hall this Sunday Dec. 10th 2-4.30pm. All welcome.

PRAYER WITH THE ADVENT WREATH AT HOME Week 2 - Light the Second Purple Candle

Child: Jesus, our brother, we ask you to bless our family during this Advent time. We light these candles to remind us that you bring light into our lives and into the world. We thank you for showing us how to show love and be kind and help those who need help.

Adult: God, your story of love for people all through time reminds us that you are with us, offering us light and hope. Help us to trust in you this week.

All the family: Come Lord Jesus into our hearts and into our parish.

MASS INTENTIONS Dec 11th to Dec. 17th

Monday	9.30am	Patsy Barton & deceased family members, L/O Keel, Castlemaine.
Tuesday	9.30am	Michael & Mary O'Sullivan, L/O Curravough, & Bridie & Patrick Hobbart, L/O St. John's Park. Sr. Cecelia Griffin, L/O Baltovin & Balloonagh.
Wed.	9.30am	James Russell, L/O Shanakill - 2nd Anniversary.
Thurs	9.30am	Con O'Shea, L/O Shanakill.
Friday	9.30am	Edward Fitzgerald, L/O Manor West.
Saturday	6.30pm	Seanie Hussey, L/O Dublin. Baby Amy Mary O'Connor, L/O Mounthawk Manor. Jeremiah Moriarty, L/O Shanakill. Sheila & Daniel O'Flaherty, L/O Doon. Mary Acheson, L/O Monalee. Liam Daly, L/O Clahane, Ballyard - 2nd Anniv. Mary-Ann Moran, L/O Lisselton. Roger & Margaret Kissane, L/O Lisselton & Bridie & Denis Costello, L/O Abbeydorney. Deceased members of the Hayes & Scully Families, L/O Annascaul & the Dickson Family, L/O South Wales.
Sunday	10.00am	Gerald McElligott, Jnr., L/O Scart, Gortalea.
	11.15am	Bob O'Sullivan, L/O Leith East & also remember his wife Maggie.
	12.30pm	Parish Mass.

CAKE SALE FOR CHERNOBYL CHILDRENS FUND; will take place in St. Brendan's Pastoral Centre this Sunday Dec. 10th after all Masses. Free tea & coffee. Please support this very worthy cause.

CHRISTMAS FAIR: St. John's Church of Ireland Christmas Fair on Sat Dec 16th 10am-4pm in Teach an tSolais, Ashe St., with homemade Christmas cakes and Preserves, Raffle prizes, Silent Auction with amazing lots and many other attractions. Come along for a fun family day.

INTRODUCTION TO THE READINGS THIS WEEKEND

First Reading

Often the task of a prophet is to afflict the comfortable. Here, the prophet is being sent to comfort the afflicted.

Second Reading

From the beginning, disciples hoped that God would soon set all things to rights. God's apparent delay arises from his patience: he allows time, so that people may repent and turn to him.

Gospel

We hear the very first words of the Gospel, which reminds us that the story of Jesus is 'good news'. Our Christian faith is built on good news.

