

# BANTRY PARISH NEWSLETTER

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### Pope Benedict XVI's Prayer for Grandparents

Lord Jesus, you were born of the Virgin Mary, the daughter of Saints Joachim and Anne. Look with love on grandparents the world over. Protect them! They are a source of enrichment for families, for the Church and for all of society. Support them! As they grow older, may they continue to be for their families strong pillars of Gospel faith, guardian of noble domestic ideals, living treasuries of sound religious traditions. Make them teachers of wisdom and courage, that they may pass on to future generations the fruits of their mature human and spiritual experience.

Lord Jesus, help families and society to value the presence and roles of grandparents. May they never be ignored or excluded, but always encounter respect and love. Help them to live serenely and to feel welcomed in all the years of life which you give them. Mary, Mother of all the living, keep grandparents constantly in your care, accompany them on their earthly pilgrimage, and by your prayers, grant that all families may one day be reunited in our heavenly homeland, where you await all humanity for the great embrace of life without end. Amen!

### Died Recently:

We extend our prayers & sympathy to the families, relatives and friends of;

**Anne Hodnett**  
Orchard Hill

**Christy O'Sullivan**  
Glencreagh, Bantry

May they Rest in Peace

### Calendar: Mass Times and Intentions :-

Mon. 12<sup>th</sup> Sept: 24<sup>th</sup> week in ordinary time:

**Bantry: 10am: Denis O'Mahony - Drimoleague**

Tues. 13<sup>th</sup> Sept: 24<sup>th</sup> Week in Ordinary Time:

**Bantry: 10am:**

**Kathleen Murphy – Glandore & Dublin**

Wed. 14<sup>th</sup> Sept: The Exaltation of the Holy Cross:

**Bantry: 10am:**

**Jerry Keane – Glengarriff Road and Toronto**

**Hospital: 5.30pm: People of the Parish**

Thurs. 15<sup>th</sup> Sept: 24<sup>th</sup> Week in Ordinary Time:

Our Lady of Sorrows:

**Bantry: 10am: P.J. Cyriac (11<sup>th</sup> anniv.) P.K. Idicula & deceased members of the Punnathusseril Family**

Friday 16<sup>th</sup> Sept: 24<sup>th</sup> week in Ordinary Time:

**Bantry: 10am: Jack Knight – Market Street**

**Kealkil: 7.30pm:**

**Richard & Mary Walsh – Cork City & Bantry**

Sat. 17<sup>th</sup> Sept.: 24<sup>th</sup> Week in Ordinary Time:

**Hospital: 10am: Barry O'Donoghue - Dromleigh**

**Bantry: 6.15pm:**

**Jeremiah & May McCarthy – Blackrock Terrace**

Sun. 18<sup>th</sup> Sept: 25<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time:

**Bantry: 9am: Ann Harrington – Reenrour East**

**(Blackrock Road) – 1<sup>st</sup> anniversary**

**Coomhola: 10am: Charlie Bevan - Snav**

**Kealkil: 11am:**

**Donal & Patrick McSweeney - Maughnaclea**

**12noon: People of the Parish**

**Carmelite Monastery Delgany**

**Vocation Exploration Day.**

**Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> September, 10.30-16.00**

**Day to pray with the sisters & to explore the possibilities of a Carmelite Vocation. All welcome.**

**Contact 0858-601794. or email**

### Recent Parish Weddings

We congratulate **Caroline Collins** (Dromoustin, Drimoleague) & **Harry Johnson** (Gilhooley Terrace, Bantry) who were married in St. Joseph's Church, Coomhola on Friday, 2<sup>nd</sup> September 2016.

We congratulate **Orla Burke** (Seskin Park, Bantry) & **John Notter** (Crookhaven, Skibbereen) who were married in St. Joseph's Church, Coomhola on Saturday, 3<sup>rd</sup> September 2016

**We wish both couples long & happy lives together.**

**Bantry Parish Assembly:** Thanks to all who have agreed to be part of the Second Parish Assembly. A short formation programme facilitated by Cork and Ross Pastoral Development Office will take place in the Westlodge Hotel and the schedule is as follows:

**Session 1:** Monday September 12<sup>th</sup> 2016 7.30pm to 9.00pm

**Session 2:** Saturday September 17<sup>th</sup> 2016 10.00am to 2.30pm

**Session 3:** Monday September 19<sup>th</sup> 2016 7.30pm to 9.00pm

After this formation process the Parish Assembly will meet one evening each month between September & June.

### Sew & Share Workshops

West Cork Carers Support Group will host 2 sewing workshops in Bantry. Each workshop will cover different sewing techniques & Carers are welcome to attend one or both workshops. Please bring your sewing machine with you if you have one. Dates for workshops are Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> Sept. (10.30am-12.30pm) & Thurs 22<sup>nd</sup> Sept. (7pm-9pm).

No charge. Booking essential at 53848 or [westcorkcarers@eircom.net](mailto:westcorkcarers@eircom.net) All Family Carers welcome.

**An Invitation to Remember...**  
**A Service of Remembrance will be held by**  
**Cork University Maternity Hospital on**  
**Friday 7<sup>th</sup> October at 7.30pm in the Sacred**  
**Heart Church, Western Road, Cork**  
**All who have experienced pregnancy or**  
**infant loss are welcome to attend.**

**Come and See Vocations Afternoon**  
**2pm - 4.30pm Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> September**  
**For women discerning a religious vocation**  
**Poor Clare Monastery – College Road, Cork**  
**For further information: [www.poorclarescork.ie](http://www.poorclarescork.ie)**  
**Email: [vocationspoorclarescork@gmail.com](mailto:vocationspoorclarescork@gmail.com)**

**Offertory Collection:**  
Weekend 3<sup>rd</sup> /4<sup>th</sup> September:  
Bantry: €1955. Kealkil: €367. Coomhola:  
€280.  
Special collection for Priesthood Education  
will take place on September 24<sup>th</sup>/25<sup>th</sup>.

**UCC Diploma in Autism Studies :** Registration for this part-time night course (Level 6/7 Cert./Diploma) is open until Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> September. Full details and registration online at [www.ucc.ie/en/ace-daus/](http://www.ucc.ie/en/ace-daus/), or phone 021-490 4700. This course is the only one of its kind in the country and is proving a valuable resource for people who are coping with the many challenges of autism in their family or through their work.

### **Misfits Welcome!**

Jesus is being judged, by the authorities, to be mixing with the wrong sort of people – tax collectors, people who have made mistakes or indeed happen to be poor. Jesus welcomes the outsiders, the people who don't fit in, and shares a meal with them – the best way to build a relationship.

Jesus explains that God's love is limitless. He uses the Prodigal Son image, the shepherd searching for his lost sheep and the woman carefully looking through her house in search of a lost coin to demonstrate how eagerly God wants to seek us out and welcome us.

At times we can feel like the misfit – recognising that we may have had a period of ignorance or avoiding God, trying to live on our own strength. It takes courage to trust in the love of God, who like the father in the gospel is always unreservedly and lovingly looking for us to come home.

Essentially, Jesus' message is of radical welcome; not just to those who it is easy to welcome but all. We are called to imitate.

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### Autumn Station Masses 2016

It is hoped to have Station Masses for Autumn 2016 during the months of September & October. If you are thinking of hosting the Autumn Stations this year, we would ask you to please contact the parish office (56398) to arrange a date. Thank you.

Friday September 16<sup>th</sup> @ 8pm

**Joe & Rose Tobin - Caherdaniel, Derrygreough M & E, Raheen, Ardnagaoithe Beg**

Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> September @ 11am

**Brian & Eleanor McGee ('St. Anthony' Breenybeg) - Breenybeg**

Saturday September 24<sup>th</sup> @ 11am

**Breda McCoy – Dromleigh**

Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> October @ 11am

**Val & Geraldine Whooley – Derrinkealig, Drombroe, Cahernacrin**

Monday 31<sup>st</sup> October @ 11am

**Joan Murphy – Donemark, Lahadane, Carrigbui, Dromafinchin, Dromachapail, Dromaduneeen**