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### Children's Mass in Bantry Church

There will be a Children's Mass in Bantry Church on Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> February at 9.00 am. All children and their parents/guardians are especially invited to attend this Sunday Mass.  
It is not a "Do this in Memory Mass"

### Spring Station Masses 2017:

It is hoped to have Station Masses for Spring 2017 starting on 1<sup>st</sup> February and continuing through February and March until 30<sup>th</sup> April. If you are thinking of hosting the Spring Stations this year, we would ask you to please contact the parish office (tel. 56398) to arrange a date.

### Spring Station Masses 2017

Friday February 24<sup>th</sup> @ 8pm

**Danny & Noreen Coppinger** – Lisheens, Traenamaddree

Saturday February 25<sup>th</sup> @ 11am

**Ann & Anthony O'Shea** – Gories, Caher, Leacadiomhaoin, Capanavar

Saturday March 18<sup>th</sup> @ 11am

**Monica Wiseman** – Dromleigh

**Died Recently:** We extend our prayers & sympathy to the family, relatives and friends of;

**Joseph (Joe) O'Sullivan**  
- Cuan Mhuire, Bantry & formerly of Toureen, Kealkill

May he rest in peace.

### Recent Parish Baptisms:

**Mia Una McCarthy**

- Blackrock Road, Bantry

**Brian Michael Harrington**

- Rosslevan, Ennis, Co. Clare

We welcome them into our Christian Community

### Calendar: Mass Times and Intentions :-

Mon. 13 February: 6<sup>th</sup> week in Ordinary Time:

Bantry: 10am:

Timothy & Mary OSullivan – Reenrour East

Tues. 14 February: SS Cyril, Monk & Methodius, Bishop, Patrons of Europe:

Bantry: 10am: The McCoy and Gallagher Families

Wed. 15 February: 6<sup>th</sup> week in Ordinary Time:

Bantry: 10am: Hannah Gallagher

Hospital: 5.30pm:

Kathleen & Robert Evans – The Square, Bantry

Thurs. 16<sup>th</sup> February: 6<sup>th</sup> week in Ordinary Time:

Bantry: 10am: Mary, John & Teddy O'Sullivan – Maughnaclea, Kealkil

Friday 17<sup>th</sup> February: 6<sup>th</sup> week in Ordinary Time:

Bantry: 10am: Geraldine Coakley - Snave

Kealkil: 7.30pm: Mary O'Mahony – Cappabue North

Sat. 18<sup>th</sup> February: 6<sup>th</sup> week in Ordinary Time:

Hospital: 10am: Christy O'Reilly - Gurteenroe

Bantry: 6.15pm: Jeremiah Daly (Gortnakilla, Kilmrohane & his brother Neilie (Con) Daly (Kilmrohane & formerly of Yorkshire, UK)

Sun. 19<sup>th</sup> February: 7<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time:

Bantry: 9am: Mary O'Brien (Reenrour East), John Casey (Cahernacrin) & Mary Casey (Market Street)

Coomhola: 10am:

Sean & Eileen Holland – Kealanine, Coomhola

Kealkil: 11am: Michael, Mary & Margaret Cronin – Cappabue, Kealkil

Bantry: 12 noon: People of the Parish

Gaelscoil Bheantraí will be holding their Open Day on Friday February 17<sup>th</sup> at 12.15. All new pupils and parents welcome. Please bring along your child's birth cert & PPS number on the day.

Offertory Collection: Weekend of 4<sup>th</sup> / 5<sup>th</sup> February:

Bantry: €1910; Coomhola: €275; Kealkil: €295.

Parish Maintenance Fund: Special collection last weekend to help pay the costs of the recent renovation works. Bantry: €3530; Kealkil €670; Coomhola: €610. Thank you for your great generosity and support for this special collection and indeed all the collections in the parish. It is very much appreciated.

There will be a special collection for the Lourdes Invalid Fund taken up on next weekend 11<sup>th</sup> & 12<sup>th</sup> February.

### Vocations to Priesthood Weekend

An invitation is extended to men between 18 and 40 who are interested in the Diocesan priesthood as a way of life, to join with others for a weekend from **Friday 17th 6pm to Saturday 18th 3pm February taking place in Thurles**. There is no charge to attend the weekend – please contact Fr Charlie Kiely on 021 4537603 or at [charliekiely@gmail.com](mailto:charliekiely@gmail.com) for further

### Lourdes 2017 – Young Adult Helpers.

The Diocese of Cork and Ross invites Young Adults 18-30 year olds to come to Lourdes as helpers from 11th to 16th June. As helpers you will assist with the sick and be involved in the full pilgrimage programme as well as time for prayer, for making new friends and sharing in the story of Lourdes. Limited number of places. Closing date for applicants is 28<sup>th</sup> February 2017. For further details contact Fr. Charlie Kiely 021-4537603, Pastoral Development Office, Parochial House, Ballypnehane, Cork or email: [charliekiely@gmail.com](mailto:charliekiely@gmail.com)

Bantry Historical Society activities for 2017 will kick off with a Talk by **Dr Connie Kelleher (OPW)** on Monday night, 13th February. The title is:- **Smuggled Goods and Illicit Commerce in West Cork, and the Bantry area in the 17th Century**.

She will be concentrating on the type of goods traded, and where they came from, and will bring examples. Everyone will be very welcome. Venue is Christian Fellowship Church, Tower Street Bantry.

**CAPPABUE N.S.** Parent Association are holding a table quiz on Wed. 22nd Feb. at 8.30p.m. in Collins Bar, Kealkill. €40 per table of 4.

### BARA - Drop In Coffee Morning Bantry Active Retirement Association.

A new opportunity to meet and socialise with fellow members will be offered on Friday February 17<sup>th</sup> in the Ian Connor Room {portacabin} behind St Brendan's Church on the Square when tea coffee and scones will be served to members between 10.30 and 12 noon. Parking is available in the Church grounds. There is no charge for this introductory meeting.

Can you sing, dance, play an instrument, or tell a few funny stories....

Enter the **Over 60's Talent Competition 2017** West Cork Heat! Sean Donnellan C103 Cork is MC on the night. **Wednesday 8th March 8pm** at Celtic Ross Hotel, Rosscarbery

Non-performers entry is €5 includes refreshments, music and dancing to Ger Deasy. Proceeds to Irish Heart Foundation. Contact organiser Paddy O'Brien for further information 086 8105585.

### FEBRUARY –

#### MONTH OF THE HOLY FAMILY

Because of Christmas we know that Jesus was born into the Holy Family of Nazareth. The month of February is traditionally dedicated to honour the Holy Family. It bridges the seasons of Christmas and Easter. There is a time of transition between the events of Christ's birth and the beginning of His public ministry. At this time the Church holds up the Holy Family as the example to be more closely followed in our Christian family life. As Pope Benedict said in 2006; *"The Holy Family is truly the prototype of every Christian family"*.

The reason for this seems due to the feast of; "The Presentation of the Lord," celebrated on February 2<sup>nd</sup>. God wishes to show the world a family as a perfect model of domestic life, and of all virtue and holiness. Young and old can look to the Holy Family and see in them an example on which to model our lives. Pope Francis points us to the Holy Family as our country prepares for the; "World Meeting of Families".

**Grant unto us, Lord Jesus, ever to follow the example of the holy Family, that in the hour of our death Your glorious Virgin Mother together with blessed Joseph may come to meet us and we may be worthily received by You into everlasting dwellings: who live and reign world without end. Amen**

### Red Cross Bantry Defibrillation Group - Training

The Red Cross Bantry Defibrillation Group's training will be held on **Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> February at 8pm** in the Red Cross Room, Old Gael Scoil Building, Upper Main Street, Bantry.

Training will include the procedure to follow in response to a child/adult cardiac arrest, how to perform correct CPR and operate a Defibrillator safely,

A practice session for each participant will follow.

Training is free and all are welcome.

The Defibrillator Group recently installed another community Defibrillator outside St. Finbarr's R.C. Church at Chapel Street, Bantry.

For further information, contact Ruth Tel: 086 1086076, Matt Tel: 086 3987937 or Mary Tel: 086 2363344.