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Rosary at Our Lady of Lourdes Shrine each evening at 9pm during the month of May. All who can attend are very welcome.

Died Recently:

We extend our prayers & sympathy to the family, relatives & friends of:

Dan Collins – Lahadane, Bantry & formerly of Councilla, Drimoleague

**Teresa Grace (née Keane)
Port Dover, Canada & Glengarriff
Road, Bantry**

May they rest in peace

Pieta House and the HSE Regional Suicide Prevention Office will host a Suicide Bereavement Information & Support Evening on Tuesday 15th May at 7.00 – 9.00pm in The Maritime Hotel, Bantry. The evening will focus on: Grief after suicide; Resources available to those affected; and How to access suicide prevention training programmes. For more information about this adult only event please contact:

Bridin Ashe HSE Community Worker – 086 - 7872273 Bantry Bay Lions Club Nora Lynch – 087-7905053

8th Amendment

Articles about the proposed amendment by Mr Trevor Hayes, Consultant Obstetrician & Gynaecologist (awarded Obstetrician of the year at the Maternity & Infant Awards 2009 & 2013) and Dr. Brendan Crowley, Medical Doctor, are available at the Church Porches this weekend. The Bishop's Pastoral Letter & Prayer Cards are also available at the porches. Please take them home to read, study reflect, discuss & pray on their contents.

Calendar: Mass Times and Intentions :-

Mon. 14th May: St. Matthias Apostle:

Bantry: 10am: Protection of Life

Bantry: 7.30pm: Bantry Town Area Station Mass

Tues. 15th May: 7th week of Easter:

Bantry: 10am: Special Intention

Bantry: 7.30pm: Bantry Rural Area Station Mass

Wed. 16th May: 7th week of Easter:

Bantry: 10am: Teddy Wiseman

Hospital: 5.30pm: People of the Parish

Thurs. 17th May: 7th week of Easter:

Bantry: 10pm: Protection of Life

Coomhola: 7.30pm: Coomhola Area Station Mass

Friday 18th May: 7th week of Easter:

Bantry: 10am:

Jason O'Sullivan – Glencreagh – 12th anniversary

Kealkil: 7.30pm: Kealkil area Station Mass

Sat. 19th May: 7th week of Easter:

Hospital: 10am: Protection of Life

Bantry: 6.15pm:

Jerry O'Donovan – Slip Park – 10th anniversary

Mary Regan - Ardnatrush

Sun. 20th May: Pentecost Sunday:

Bantry: 9am: James Boland

Steven Lawlor O'Leary

John & Bridget McSweeney - Cahernacrin

Coomhola: 10am:

Paudie & Maura Holland - Kealanine

Kealkil: 11am: Neilus Manning – Pearsons Bridge

Tess Cullinane - Gearagh

Bantry: 12 noon: People of the Parish

Recent Parish Weddings

We congratulate **Brenda O'Sullivan** (Newtown, Bantry) & **Padraig McGuinness** (Cahanagh) who were married in St. Finbarr's Church, Bantry on Saturday, 5th May 2018.

We wish Brenda & Padraig long & happy lives

The Annual Ecumenical Service for Christian Unity, will be held in St. Luke's Church, Douglas, on Sunday May 20th (Pentecost Sunday) At 7.30pm All welcome. This service is organised annually by the Cork Ecumenical Standing Committee which comprises: Rev. Geraldine Gracie, Methodist Church; Rev. Daniel Nuzum, Church of Ireland; Ms Valerie Fletcher, Presbyterian Church and Fr. Christy Fitzgerald, Roman Catholic Church. The sermon will be delivered by Fr. Christy Fitzgerald.

Bantry Historical Society. **On Tuesday next 15th May** at 8pm in the Christian Fellowship **Mr. Mike Murphy**, chief cartographer and co-editor of the Atlas of the Great Irish Famine and the Atlas of the Irish Revolution will address the Historical society on "**Mapping the Irish Revolution**"

From the Cromwellian plantations of the 17th century, up to the War of Independence and the Civil War are covered by maps and images with new insights into many of the main events **All are welcome**

Kealkil National School Family Fun Day & Ballrun Sunday 13th May. 2pm-5pm at the school. Lots of Fun & Games for all the family.

BARA: The monthly Bantry Active Retirement Social Morning which is an opportunity to meet and socialise with fellow members, will again take place on Friday next May 18th in the Ian Connor Room {portacabin} behind St Brendan's Church on the Square. Tea, coffee and scones will be served to members between 10.30 and 12.30. Parking is available in the Church grounds. There will be a donation box to defray expenses - €1 would be appropriate.

The Art Group have a new exhibition of their work on display in The Library. The Art Group meet at BARA House on Monday mornings from 10am until 12 and new members are always welcome

Offertory Collection: W/E of 5th/6th May:
Bantry:€1770; Kealkil:€440; Coomhola:€255.
Annual collection for the Diocesan Pastoral Development Office will be taken up at all Masses this weekend, 12th/13th May.

PAPAL VISIT: A Bus will be organised from Bantry to attend the Papal Mass in the Phoenix Park, Dublin on **Sunday 26th August.** We ask those interested in attending to please hand their name in to the Parish office.

Tickets will be allocated by the Diocese & all those travelling with the Bantry Group will receive a ticket. There are already 24 seats booked on the bus.

Repeal of the 8th Amendment. What would it mean for us as a Nation and as a Church? A Conference and Discussion presented by Alan Daveron, and facilitated by his sister Nicola. Both are constitutional lawyers. This event will take place in Myross Wood on **Saturday, 19th May, 3.00 pm – 5.00 pm.** We look forward to a big response

JACKPOT BINGO Bank Holiday Monday May 7th at 8.30pm in the Mealagh Valley Community Hall. May Madness, extra prizes on the night...ALL WELCOME. Your support as always is greatly appreciated.

MEALAGH VALLEY COMMUNITY HALL Progressive 45 cards Sat May 12th at 9pm. €10 per person, raffle and refreshments on the night. ALL WELCOME

Just 4 Fun Kids Camp is in **Bantry** in **Colaiste Pobail Bheanntrai** from the 2nd – 6th July 2018 Fun activities for boys and girls of 5-12 years. **Book online or by brochure** For more information contact the **Just 4 Fun Kids Camp Office 029 70640 - 087 182 1594** or checkout our website www.just4funkidscamp.com

CHARITY FUNDRAISING €1000 BINGO
At the Boys' Club, Bantry this weekend,
Sunday 13th May at 8.30pm

Bantry Hospice Coffee Morning on Friday 18th May. 10am-12pm at the Maritime Hotel. All welcome.

TOWN AREA MASSES & AUTUMN STATIONS— Spring 2018

Mass for **TOWN AREAS** will be held on Monday, 14th May at Bantry Church at 7.30pm

Mass for outstanding **BANTRY STATION AREAS** will be held on Tuesday, 15th May **at Bantry Church at 7.30pm.**
Seskin, Seskin Lw/Caherdaniel West, Cahernecrin, Drombroe Derrincaolig, Newtown, Donemark, Laheadan, Carribui, Dromafinchin, Dromachapail, Dromaduneen, Parkanna, Scart, Gortacloona, Ardra South, Beach, Cappanaloha, Dromreig, Dunbittern, Shanavalla, Dromacusane, Gorteen, Dromclough, Ardihoulihane, Aghagoheen, Coomanore, Glenbanoo, Shandrum, Gortroe, Baurgorm, Milleeney, Ballylickey, Lahern, Gortagaree, Reendonegan, Goreemore, Dromdaniel, Crossoge, Dromloughlin, Dromaclarig, Gurteenroe, Ard na Gaoithe, Whiddy, Dromliath, Ardra North, Derrygrenagh South, Cahergullane, Raheen, Caherdaniel, Derrygreanaugh M & E, Ardnagaoithe Beg

Outstanding Station Areas in Coomhola—Mass in Coomhola Church on Thursday 17th May at 7.30pm.

Baurnagearagh, Reendesert, Dromcaol, Esknafeelna, Derrycreha, Ardnatrush Beg, Snave, Ardnagashel, Ardnatrush, Dromgarbh, Drograne, Ardnaclooughy, Baurnagearagh, Borlin, Cappadyourdil, Cooleenleman, Coorloun, Corrycomade, Cooryleary, Corran, Derryduv, Dromduv, Farranfada, Inchinagown, Kealanine, Millbeg, Rangeroo

Outstanding Station Areas in Kealkil—Mass at Kealkil Church on Friday 18th May at 7.30pm

Ahil, Ardra, Ards, Ballinamought, Breenybeg, Breenymore, Cahermounteen, Cahermuckee, Cappabui N & S, Cappanaboul, Carriganass, Coomleigh, Cousane, Cullinagh, Curryglass, Derryarkane, Derryfada, Dromaneasa, Dromlicacruie, Dromsullivan, Geragh, Glounycarney, Gortlachra, Gortnacowley, Inchaclough, Incharoe, Kealkil, Kielnacnappogue, Lacavane, Lahernsheermeen, Leachareigh, Maugha, Maughnaclee, Moularaha, Moulavanig, Moulakieve, Skehana