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Choose... to share God's wealth

The actions of the manager, in this Gospel, on hearing that he is to be fired are counter-intuitive. Instead of storing up wealth by demanding payment immediately or charging extra, he wipes the portion of 'interest' owed to him from their dept. He is thinking of the long-term, that they might in turn show kindness to him when he is in need.

Jesus sees the gift this use of wealth has in the life of the poor and praises it. The Christian life is a call to stewardship in which the wealth we handle is not our own but wealth God wishes the entire world would share. Challenging as it may be we are called to reflect on our use of wealth.

Jesus makes clear that we must choose – the wealth of God or the wealth of this world. Siobhain Tighe is a Parish Pastoral Worker of the Archdiocese of Dublin with responsibility for Youth Evangelisation

Prayer for Our Lady

On Saturday 8th of October in the Parish Church there will be a time of prayer at 2pm in honour of Our Lady Mediatrix of all Grace. This will include; Adoration, prayer, and consecration to our Lady.

Recent Parish Baptisms:

Kate Elizabeth O'Donovan
Drombrow, Bantry

Aoibheann Fionnghuala Goggin
Slí na Scoil, Kealkil

We welcome them into our Christian Community

Calendar: Mass Times and Intentions :-

Mon. 19th Sept: 25th week in ordinary time:

Bantry: 10am: Tony O'Donovan – Millbrook Lawn & Newtown

Tues. 20th Sept: 25th Week in Ordinary Time:

Bantry: 10am: Annie Keane – Glengarriff Road

Wed. 21st Sept: The Exaltation of the Holy Cross:

**Bantry: 10am: John & Nora Calnan, Jeremiah Calnan, Eileen Lynch – Goulanes, Bantry
Hospital: 5.30pm: Dick Coffey – Slip Lawn**

Thurs. 22nd Sept: 25th Week in Ordinary Time:

Our Lady of Sorrows:

Bantry: 10am:

Curley Keohane and Anne O'Toole - Newtown

Friday 23rd Sept: 25th week in Ordinary Time:

Bantry: 10am: Special Intention

Kealkil: 7.30pm:

Jeremiah Connolly – Reendesert, Ballylickey

Sat. 24th Sept.: 25th Week in Ordinary Time:

Hospital: 10am: Dick Donovan – High Street

Bantry: 6.15pm:

Brid Hartnett – Bishopstown & Blackrock Terrace

Sun. 25th Sept: 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time:

Bantry: 9am: Hannah Casey - Cahernacrin

Coomhola: 10am: Maggie Cronin – Coorloun North

Kealkil: 11am: Hannie Cronin - Cullinagh

Bantry: 12noon: People of the Parish

Died Recently:

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

Patricia (Pat) Minehane
Lisheens, Kealkil
May she Rest in Peace

Offertory Collection:

Weekend 10th / 11th September: Bantry: €1670. Kealkil: €320. Coomhola: €215. *Special collection for Priesthood Education will take place on September 24th/25th.*

Recent Parish Weddings

We congratulate **Alanna McHugh** (Ardnagashel, Bantry) & **David O'Shea** (Reenrour East, Bantry) who were married in St. Joseph's Church, Coomhola on Friday, 9th September 2016.

We wish Alanna & David long & happy lives together.

Parish Assembly

Following formation with Sr. Karen Kent from the Pastoral Development Office the first meeting of the new Parish Assembly will take place in the Parish Meeting Room in St. Finbarr's Church at 7.30pm on Monday September 19th. We remember the Assembly in our prayers this weekend as they begin their three year term.

**Gougane Barra Sunday, Year of Mercy,
25th September 2016.**

Schedule:

Rosary will be recited at 2.00 pm

Concelebrated Mass will be begin at 2.30 pm. Cardinal Seán Brady, Archbishop Emeritus of Armagh, will preach the homily.

*To commemorate the Year of Mercy a Gate/Door of Mercy will be created at the entrance to St Finbarr's Island.

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

**THE RURAL VALLEYS MENS GROUP AND
SURROUNDS** (taking in the areas of Coomhola, Borlin, kealkil, Mealagh Valley, Glengarriff & Bantry)

This group meet and go on day trips, overnight trips, plays, meals out and do night classes together , if you would like to join an active, fun group, you are welcome to come along to one of our outings to see if it is for you. Contact Anne (Group Co-ordinator) on 086 726 1086

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THE 4 VALLEYS AND SURROUNDS SOCIAL CLUB (taking in the areas of Coomhola, Borlin, Kealkil, Mealagh Valley and Bantry area) will resume their activities after their summer break commencing on the 20th September at the Ouvane Falls for lunch and followed by music and dancing. A varied programme will continue throughout the winter , to include , day trips, socials, talks, cards, etc, if you would like to find out more about us , come along to one of our socials or tel. Anne (Group Co-ordinator) on 086 726 1086

UCC Diploma in Autism Studies : Registration for this part-time night course (Level 6/7 Cert./Diploma) is open until Friday 23rd September. Full details and registration online at 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.

There will be a Ceili in the **Mealagh Valley Community Hall**, Ards, Bantry on Friday 23rd September at 9.30pm. Music by Ger Murphy & John Coakley. Admission €10.00 including refreshments. All welcome. Please support.

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.

Thursday 22nd September @ 11am

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

Saturday September 24th @ 11am

Breda McCoy – Dromleigh

Saturday 1st October @ 11am

Val & Geraldine Whooley – Derrinkealig, Drombroe, Cahernacrin

Saturday 29th October @ 11am

Gerard & Jacinta Barry - Newtown

Monday 31st October @ 11am

Joan Murphy – Donemark, Lahadane, Carrigbui, Dromafinchin, Dromachapaill, Dromaduneeen