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**JOHN PAUL II (1920-2005)**

KAROL JÓZEF WOJTYŁA, elected Pope on 16 October 1978, was born in Wadowice, Poland, on 18 May 1920. He was the third of three children born to Karol Wojtyła and Emilia Kaczorowska, who died in 1929. His elder brother Edmund, a physician, died in 1932, and his father, Karol, a non-commissioned officer in the army, died in 1941. Feeling called to the priesthood, he began his studies in 1942. Until his priestly ordination in Krakow on 1 November 1946.

On 16 October 1978, Cardinal Wojtyła was elected Pope and on 22 October he began his ministry as universal Pastor of the Church. His international apostolic journeys numbered 104 and were expressions of the constant pastoral solicitude of the Successor of Peter for all the Churches. On 3<sup>rd</sup> May 1981, an attempt was made on Pope John Paul II's life in Saint Peter's Square. Saved by the maternal hand of the Mother of God, following a lengthy stay in the hospital, he forgave the attempted assassin and, aware of having received a great gift, intensified his pastoral commitments with heroic generosity. He proclaimed the Year of Redemption, the Marian Year and the Year of the Eucharist as well as the Great Jubilee Year of 2000, in order to provide the People of God with particularly intense spiritual experiences. He also attracted young people by beginning the celebration of World Youth Day. No other Pope met as many people as Pope John Paul II. More than 17.6 million pilgrims attended his Wednesday General Audiences. This does not include any of the other special audiences and religious ceremonies (more than 8 million pilgrims in the Great Jubilee Year of 2000 alone). He met millions of the faithful in the course of his pastoral visits in Italy and throughout the world. Pope John Paul II died in the Apostolic Palace at 9:37 p.m. on Saturday, 2 April 2005, the vigil of Divine Mercy Sunday, which he had instituted. On 8 April, his solemn funeral was celebrated in Saint Peter's Square and he was buried in the crypt of Saint Peter's Basilica. John Paul II was beatified in Saint Peter's Square on 1 May 2011 by Pope Benedict XVI. Excerpted from: [www.vatican.va](http://www.vatican.va)

*O Blessed Trinity, we thank you for having graced the Church with Saint John Paul II and for allowing the tenderness of your fatherly care, the glory of the Cross of Christ and the splendor of the Spirit of love to shine through him. Trusting fully in your infinite mercy and in the maternal intercession of Mary, he has given us a living image of Jesus the Good Shepherd. He has shown us that holiness is the necessary measure of ordinary Christian life and is the way of achieving eternal communion with you. Grant us, by his intercession, and according to your will, the graces we now implore, through Christ our Lord, Amen.*

**Died Recently:**

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

**Patrick (Paddy) O'Leary**

Manchester &

late of Millbig, Coomhola, Bantry

**May he rest in peace**

**Lourdes Pilgrimage.**

**The Bantry Parish and Friends Pilgrimage**

**will take place from the 22<sup>nd</sup> to 27<sup>th</sup>**

**September 2015 (Ex. Cork) with Full**

**Board accommodation in the 'Agena**

**Hotel'.**

**Spiritual Director: Fr. Martin Keohane P.P.**

**Booking forms: Available at the Parish Office**

**in Bantry Church**

**Youth 2000 Summer Festival, Cistercian College, Roscrea, Co. Tipperary from Thursday 13th – Sunday 16th August 2015. For young people aged 16-35, this is a great opportunity to find out what your Catholic faith is all about in a friendly, chilled out atmosphere. The festival is donation only. Free buses available from all around Ireland. For info and to book online, see [www.youth2000.ie](http://www.youth2000.ie) or phone **01 6753690****

**Graveyard Masses:**

There will be Mass at the Abbey Graveyard on Tuesday,  
4<sup>th</sup> August at 7.30pm.

In the event of rain Mass will be celebrated in St. Finbarr's  
Church, Bantry.

**Cilléanach Mass:**

Tuesday, 28<sup>th</sup> July at 7.30pm

In the event of rain Mass will be celebrated in St. Finbarr's  
Church, Bantry.

**Whiddy Graveyard Mass**

Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> August. Mass will be celebrated at 12 noon  
at Whiddy

**The Rise of the Roses** is the initiative of a group of  
imaginative and faith-filled young women from Tyrone to  
celebrate this **Year of Consecrated Life** by organising  
a **Summer Tour of Ten Convents on ten consecutive**  
**Saturdays** from June to August.

They are inviting other girls and young women to join the Rise  
of the Roses tour and meet these religious communities to  
'**rediscover the beauty of a life promised to God**'.

The Rise of the Roses Summer Tour is coming south

To **St Mary's Abbey, Glencairn, Lismore, Co.**

**Waterford 25<sup>th</sup> July: 2:30pm - 6:00pm.** We are inviting  
young girls and women to come and meet the sisters, find out  
more about life in a Cistercian monastery, and celebrate this  
Year of Consecrated Life with us.. Anyone who wishes to  
support this event is welcome to attend also. Admission is  
free. For info & directions to the Abbey please visit our  
website at: [www.glencairnabbey.org](http://www.glencairnabbey.org) or contact Sr Sarah  
at [vocations@glencairnabbey.org](mailto:vocations@glencairnabbey.org)

*Pope Francis has asked us all to pray for the upcoming Synod of  
Bishops taking place in Rome next October.*

**Prayer for the Synod on the Family**

Jesus, Mary and Joseph,

In you we contemplate

The splendour of true love,

We turn to you with confidence.

Holy Family of Nazareth,

Make our families, also,

Places of communion and cenacles of prayer,

Authentic schools of the Gospel,

And little domestic Churches.

Holy Family of Nazareth

May our families never more experience

Violence, isolation, and division:

May anyone who was wounded or scandalized

Rapidly experience consolation and healing.

Holy Family of Nazareth,

May the upcoming Synod of Bishops

Re-awaken in all an awareness

Of the sacred character and inviolability of the family,

Its beauty in the project of God.

Jesus, Mary and Joseph,

Hear and answer our prayer. Amen.

**Calendar: Mass Times and Intentions :-**  
**Mon. 20<sup>th</sup> July: 16<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time:**  
Bantry: 10am – Donal Coakley – Snavé

**Tues. 21<sup>st</sup> July: 16<sup>th</sup> week in Ordinary Time:**  
Bantry: 10am: Eileen Brown (Seskin) & Bridie  
McCarthy (Ardra South)

**Wed. 22<sup>nd</sup> July: 16<sup>th</sup> Week in Ordinary Time:**  
**St. Mary Magdalene**

Bantry: 10am Connie O'Donoghue (Ardnatrush  
Beg) & his son Patrick O'Donoghue (U.K.)

Hospital Chapel:  
5.30pm Donal O'Sullivan – Rock Villas

**Thurs. 23<sup>rd</sup> July: St. Bridget of Sweden:**  
**Patron of Europe**

Bantry: 10am: Peter Tobin – Scart Road

**Friday 24<sup>th</sup> July: 16<sup>th</sup> Week in Ordinary Time:**  
Bantry: 10am : John & Kitty Cadogan –  
Old Barrack Road

Kealkil: 7.30pm Mary & Timothy O'Sullivan  
– Cork City & Ballinamought Kealkil

Bantry: 8pm Mass with Relics of Saint John Paul

**Sat. 25<sup>th</sup> July: St James - Apostle:**

Hospital: 10am: Jack O'Leary - Glandart

Bantry: 6.15pm: Catherine O'Riordan –  
Caherdaniel East

**Sun. 26<sup>th</sup> July: 17<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time:**

Bantry: 9am Mary Casey- Market St.

Coomhola: 10am: Jim Harrington –  
Cooryleary

Kealkil: 11am Dan O'Rourke – Incharoe

Bantry: 12noon People of the Parish

**Offertory Collection:**

Bantry: Weekend 11<sup>th</sup> & 12<sup>th</sup> July: €1910

*Special collection for Diocesan needs  
last weekend: Bantry Parish: €1900*

**Junior B Hurling**

**COUNTY FINAL**

**Bantry Blues V**

**Shanballymore**

**Friday 24<sup>th</sup> July – 8.15pm**

**at Pairc Uí Rinn.**

**Please Support**

**Irish Water Safety classes will be  
held in Bantry beach from the 4th -  
9th August inclusive. The classes  
cater for all, from splash  
/swimming /life saving. Further  
details from Noelle at 0861223323.**