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First Friday: There will be Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament on the first Friday, 3rd March next, after 10am Mass until 7.30pm & you are invited to spend an hour in adoration

First Friday Communion Calls

Fr. Martin & Fr. Sean will make their calls during the coming week

Ash Wednesday – March 1st

Day of Fast & Abstinence: Start of Lent

Mass Times:

Bantry	10.00am
Kealkill	11.30am
Hospital Chapel	5.30pm

Prayer Service with distribution of Ashes:

Coomhola	7.30pm
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There will be evening Mass at 7.30pm during Lent on Tuesdays & Thursdays in Bantry Church

Calendar: Mass Times and Intentions :-

Mon. 27th February: 8th week in Ordinary Time:

Bantry: 10am: Florence McCarthy – High Street

Tues. 28th February: 8th week in Ordinary Time:

Bantry: 10am: Michael Scully – New Street

Wed. 1st March: Ash Wednesday:

Bantry: 10am: Kealkil: 11.30am: Hospital: 5.30pm:

Coomhola: 7.30pm – Prayer Service

Thurs. 2nd March: After Ash Wednesday:

**Bantry: 10am: Donald & Alastair Tait, Oonagh,
Edward & Edwin Cussen**

Bantry: 7.30pm: James & Jane O'Mahony - Ards

Friday 3rd March: After Ash Wednesday:

Bantry: 10am: Joe & Ann Nolan - Cork

Bantry: 7.30pm: Shared Mass

Sat. 4th March: After Ash Wednesday:

Hospital: 10am: Paddy McSweeney - Shanavalla

Bantry: 6.15pm:

Jeremiah & Jane McCarthy - Newtown

Sun. 5th March: First Sunday of Lent:

**Bantry: 9am: Arthur & Hannah O'Connor & their
daughter Catherine O'Connor – Barrack Road**

Coomhola: 10am:

Patrick & Mary Murphy – Derrydubh, Coomhola

Kealkil: 11am: John & Bridie Cronin – Cahirmuckee

Mary Murnane – London – Months Mind

Bantry: 12 noon: People of the Parish

Bantry Parish Scripture Group presents:



*What's Lent
All About Anyway?*

Why This is the Way We Journey to Easter

A Series of Guided Lenten Reflections
with Tomás O'Sullivan, PhD

8pm. Every Wednesday in Lent: 1st March to 12th April.
Upstairs in the Sacristy in St. Finbarr's Church, Bantry.

All are welcome!

For further information, contact Kitty at (027) 50337.

Died Recently:

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

Patrick O'Donovan Newtown, Bantry

Sr. Maura Killeen – Bantry & formerly of Killimer, Co. Clare

May they rest in peace.

DROMCLOUGH N.S.

We will be holding a fundraising recycling event on Tuesday 28th of February. Items suitable for recycling are: any new and used clothing, shoes, belts, handbags, ties, linens, household textiles, stuffed toys etc. Bags will be collected from the school at 3 o'clock on the day of the event. Your support would be greatly appreciated, please contact the school on 027-50868 for further information.

Fundraiser for Cancer Connect: On Sat next, 4 March, there will be a "bus push" through Bantry town to advertise a concert that will take place in **Bantry House on 18 March at 8pm** to raise much needed funds for Cancer Connect who provide private transport facilities for people suffering with cancer and who travel from West Cork to Cork City for treatment.

Artists taking part will include pianist Seho Lee, actor Simon O'Gorman, local singer Denis Collins, all returning by popular demand; soprano Ecaterina Tulgara from Russia, and Glengarriff Church choir.

Tickets priced at €20 can be obtained from O'Sullivan's Chemist, Bantry Bookshop, The Gift Shop, Local Link all in Bantry, and members of Glengarriff Church Choir. Further information can be obtained from Joan on 086 6008029. Please support and you will be assured of a most enjoyable evening.

Spring Station Masses 2017:

It is hoped to have Station Masses for Spring 2017 continuing through February and March until 30th 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

Saturday 4th March @ 11am

Michael & Betty Keohane - Gurteenroe

Saturday March 18th @ 11am

Monica Wiseman – Dromleigh

Children's Mass

A big thank you to all who made last Sunday's Children's Mass a memorable occasion for all who attended. Thank you to all families who got your children up early and joined us. Thank you to the schools and teachers who spread the word and practised the hymns.

We will celebrate the next Children's Mass on Sunday March 26th at 9.00. We look forward to making this a regular part of our parish life and we welcome any suggestions or observation you have by email on bantryparishassenbly@gmail.com

Bantry Parish Assembly

The Assembly met on Monday night last. There was a lively discussion on a number of topics including the Children's Mass and Lenten and Easter ceremonies. The group also discussed the upcoming World Meeting of Families, to be held in Dublin in 2018, and how best to make it relevant for our parishioners.

Please take a Trocaire Box this Lent.

Trocaire Boxes / Envelopes can be collected at the Church Porches.

West Cork Cancer Support Group

The next meeting will be on Tuesday February 28th, 2017 from 11am to 12:30pm in the Bantry Bay Hotel (back room), The Square, Bantry. This is an informal gathering in a relaxed setting, specifically for people who now have or have had cancer themselves. If you are such a person, come for a chat and peer group discussion. Free of charge.

Anam Cara, the national organisation that supports bereaved parents, is holding a Bereavement Information Evening on Tuesday 7th of March from 19:30 to 21:30 in the Maritime Hotel, Bantry, West Cork. This is a free event open to all bereaved parents. As Anam Cara will need to confirm numbers for event, please RSVP to info@anamcara.ie before Monday 6th March or call the Information Line on 085 2888 888.

Offertory Collection: Weekend of 18th / 19th February: Bantry: €1980; Coomhola:€250; Kealkil:€350. *There will be a Special collection for Irish Bishops Commissions on March 11th & 12th*

Staying Well Group: Are you 65 years or over? 5 week interactive group in Bantry exploring topics to empower older adults to take an active role in keeping well in later life. This group will have an educational element while also focusing on sharing experience and mutual self-help. Please phone the occupational therapy department on 028 -40558 for further information.

Bantry Cardiac Support Group monthly meeting will take place on Tues 28rd of February at 8 pm at The Christian Fellowship Church Tower Street Bantry with the election of officers for 2017 . The meeting will be facilitated by cardiovascular nurse Sarah Cashman and assisted by Lorraine Geaney practice nurse at Glengarriff Medical Centre .Sarah will give a talk on cardiac complications such as irregular heart rate with an opportunity to learn how to take your pulse on the night, Blood pressure can be checked on the night also. This will be followed by an informal chat and tea / coffee. Contact: Sarah (Cardiovascular Nurse) 0873186443, John (group member)0864048821