

Canon Martin O'Driscoll P.P.

Tel: 027-50096

Fr. Sean Crowley C.C.

Tel. 027 50193

To contact Priest on duty: 087-7999886

Parish office: Tel: 56398 email: office@bantryparish.com

Parish Office times: Weekdays: Monday & Wednesday 9am – 11am. Thursday & Fridays 9am – 12noon

Parish website: www.bantryparish.ie

Diocese of Cork and Ross Vocation

Discernment for men aged 18 to 40 who are thinking about priesthood. Monthly gatherings will take place at the Pastoral Development Office, Ballyphehane beginning on Wednesday 29th November from 6:30pm to 8:00pm. For info. contact Fr Charlie Kiely (021 4537603)

Mass for the deceased members of the Pioneer Total Abstinence Association will take place at 7pm on Monday 27th November in St. Finbarr's Church, Bantry. All welcome.

Offertory Collection: weekend of 18th /19th November: Bantry - € 1,490; Coomhola - €225; Kealkil - €310. Special Collection taken up for Catholic Marriage Support last weekend: Bantry:€1140; Coomhola:€190; Kealkil:€360

Rosary on the Coast: On today, Sunday November 26th, (2:30 – 3:30pm) in St Finbarrs Church Bantry, everyone is welcome to join us praying for the protection of all life, and for the renewal of faith in our community and country. coastalrosaryireland.ie

First Friday: There will be Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament on the first Friday, 1st December 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

**Bantry Care for the Aged Association
50th Anniversary Celebration
Bantry Bay Hotel on Sunday December 3rd.
Time 6.30pm-9.00pm. All very Welcome
Guest Star – Sean O'Shea.**

Calendar: Mass Times and Intentions :-

Mon. 27th November: 34th week in Ordinary time:

Bantry: 10am: Canon Donal O'Callaghan – former Parish Priest of Bantry

Bantry: 7pm: Mass for deceased members of the Pioneer Total Abstinence Association

Tues. 28th November: 34th week in Ordinary Time:

Bantry: 10am: Noreen, Eileen & Michael O'Sullivan – London & Bantry

Wed. 29th November: 34th week in Ordinary Time:

Bantry: 10am:

Patrick Cadogan – Market Street & Dromore Hospital: 5.30pm: Special Intention

Thurs. 30th November: St. Andrew, Apostle:

Bantry: 10am:

Phillip Spillane – Derrygreough East

Fri. 1st December: 34th week in Ordinary Time:

Bantry: 10am: Denis O'Mahony – Glandore

Bantry: 7.30pm Shared Mass

Sat. 2nd December: 33rd week in Ordinary Time:

Hospital: 10am:

Patrick O'Mahony – Bantry & Essex – 1st anniv.

Bantry: 6.15pm:

Maisie McCarthy – St. Cannaras Place – 9th anniv.

Sun. 3rd December: First Sunday of Advent:

Bantry: 9am : Daniel Burke - Derryvahalla

Coomhola: 10am: Maura Holland – Kealanine

Kealkil: 11am: Catherine O'Rourke - Incharoe

Bantry: 12 noon: People of the Parish

Died Recently: We extend our prayers & sympathy to the families, relatives & friends of:

Humphrey Lynch

-Aghagoheen & Reendesert, Ballylickey

Michael (Sowney) McCarthy

Ardra, Scart, Bantry

May they Rest In Peace

The Bantry hospice project AGM will take place on Tuesday December 5th 7.30pm in the Maritime hotel. All welcome

West Cork Cancer Support Group: The next meeting will be on Tuesday November 28th, 2017 from 11am to 12:30pm in the Bantry Bay Hotel, The Square, Bantry. This is an informal gathering in a relaxed setting, specifically for people who now have or have had cancer themselves. Come for a chat and peer group discussion. Free of charge.

**Diocese of Cork and Ross Lourdes Pilgrimage 2018
Young Adult Helpers (18-25 year olds)
11th to 16th June 2018**

**Our pilgrimage is a time for reflection, prayer, for
service and making new friends.
For more information contact Fr. Chrli Kiely.
Tel. 021-4537603**

Veritas and the Pastoral Development Office invite all parishioners to join with them for the launch of the book "55 ways to connect with families in your parish" by Sr Karen Kent OSU on Sunday 3rd December at 4pm in Saint Columba's Church, Douglas beginning with a time of Advent Prayer based on the book. All are welcome.

Christmas Concert

Sally-Ann Fitzgerald, Claire Hayden and the West cork school of voice charity Christmas concert takes place on Thursday Dec 7th in St Brendans church Bantry. This is a night not to be missed all in aid of two great causes Bantry inshore search and rescue and Castletownbere R.N.L.I tickets €10 available at the door on the night.

Bantry Mother and Toddler Group meets every Monday in the Gaelscoil hall from 09:45 to 11:45. Indoor and outdoor activities, ballpool, arts & crafts, sand and water activities, music and singing. Refreshments provided. €4 per family.

Bantry Cardiac Support Group will meet on Tuesday 28th of November at 8 pm at The Christian Fellowship Church Tower Street Bantry. The meeting will be facilitated by cardiovascular nurse Sarah Cashman attached to Bantry Bay Medical Centre and assisted by practice nurse Lorraine Geaney from Glengarriff Medical Centre. The guest speaker is Catherine Cahalane Cardiovascular Nurse with the HSE, who was involved in setting up this group in 2007 is also a member of the Cardiac Rehab Medical Team at Bantry General Hospital. Anyone attending if they wish can have their blood pressure checked. For details contact: Sarah 0873186443 or John 0864048821

Bereavement Support Information Evening
Tuesday 28th November, 7-9pm. at Cork ARC Cancer Support House, 'The Bungalow', Goureebeg, Bantry. Information and support for people bereaved through cancer – Free of charge – Booking essential on 083 198 8580 / westcork@corkcancersupport.ie Counselling, therapeutic massage and reflexology are all available, free of charge, as well as a weekly drop in 'Hour of Calm' session held every Tuesday morning. Cork ARC Cancer Support House is a community resource supported by people, for the people. All our services are available free of charge, and supported by fundraising activity. For more information, please contact our West Cork centre directly, on 027 53891/083 1988580 or westcork@cancersupport.ie

Cork ARC Cancer Support House Bantry would like to thank everyone who supported our first Pop Up Fashion Shop in Bantry last weekend. It was a very successful event with all funds raised helping towards the running of our services which are free of charge to all families affected by cancer in the region. A special thanks to our large team of volunteers who organised and ran the event. We will hold the draw for the raffle tickets purchased at the pop up shop, for our Christmas Hamper, on 14th December

SAMUEL PROGRAMME – Are you aged 18-35 and wondering what God is calling you to do with your life? Join the Samuel Programme for 6 months – gatherings once a month in the Franciscan Friary Killarney on Sunday evenings. For details email eavopost@gamil.com / call Anne-Marie 0872209994

Youth2000 Christmas Retreat

**Where; Newbridge College, Co. Kildare
When: 8th – 10th December. Cost: As usual
Donation basis only. Theme: "Rejoice, so highly
favoured! The Lord is with you." Luke 1:28.
www.youth2000.ie**

SANTALAND

Meet **Santa** in his Grotto and help Mrs. Claus in her kitchen. Play with the elves in their magical snow garden. A photo with Santa and a gift for every child. €6 per child. **CHRISTMAS BAZAAR:** Raffle, Bottle Stall, Festive Gifts, Christmas produce, Cakes, Lucky Dip, Games, Guess weight of cake, Target soccer, Pancakes, Teas and Coffees. **Our Lady of Mercy N.S. Bantry – Sunday 26th November 12.00 – 4.00p.m.** Entry: €2 at the door/ includes prize ticket

Coomhola/Ballylickey & District

Community Alert: Seniors Alert Scheme:

The objective of the Seniors Alert Scheme is to encourage community support for vulnerable older people in our communities through the provision of **Personal Monitored Alarms** to enable older-persons to continue to live securely in their homes with confidence, independence and peace of mind. Simple call 085-1691365 for further information.

Anam Cara, the organisation that supports bereaved parents, is holding a Parent Evening on Tuesday 5th of December from 19:30 to 21:00 in the Maritime Hotel, Bantry, West Cork This event is open to all bereaved parents regardless of the age your child died, the circumstances of their death, or whether the death was recent or not.

MEALAGH VALLEY COMMUNITY CENTRE

Upcoming events (subject to change)

December Sat 2nd Annual Christmas Social Night & Christmas Draw. All welcome, Music by Blackwater Sound.

December Sat 9th Christmas Progressive 45 Cards, 15 Euro pps, refreshments & raffle on the night.

December Monday 11th Frank Moynihan Celebrity Chef Cookery Demonstration, tickets 10 euro each available now from Finbarr on 0870657334. Raffle & refreshments on the night. Get your tickets now to avoid disappointment. **December Thursday 14th** Christmas Bingo. Door Prizes & Extra Raffle prizes on the night.