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Mount Melleray Youth Day

Mount Melleray Abbey

Tuesday 2nd May (5.30pm-9.30pm)

With Most Rev. Frank Caggiano,
Bishop of Bridgeport, Connecticut

For the attention of Parents, teachers,
priests, parish representatives seeking
new ways of building faith communities
in their local areas.

First Friday:

There will be Exposition of the Blessed
Sacrament on the first Friday, 7th April 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

**The Lenten Reflections are continuing
each Wednesday night at 8pm
in the room over the Sacristy.**

The Spirit led Him into the Wilderness – April 5th
A tale of two gardens or It's all about Easter –
April 12th All Welcome.

Spring Station Masses 2017: Station Masses
for Spring 2017 will continue 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

Wednesday 5th April @ 11am

Jack & Helen Matson – Seskin

Friday 21st April @ 11am

**Eileen O'Mahony – Dromlickacrae, Breenymore,
Cappanaboul, Derryarkane, Dromaneasa**

**Confessions for Easter
in Bantry Parish**

**Penitential Service in Bantry Church
Monday 10th April at 7.30 pm
A number of priests
will be available for Confessions.**

Calendar: Mass Times and Intentions :-

Mon. 3rd April: 5th week of Lent:

Bantry: 10am: P.J. Cyriac – 4th anniversary

Tues. 4th April: 5th week of Lent:

Bantry: 10am:

Tom & Rita Spillane – Chapel Street

Bantry: 7.30pm: Johnny O'Leary - Caherdaniel

Wed. 5th April: 5th week of Lent:

Bantry: 10am:

John & Bridie Flynn – Durrus & Limerick

Hospital: 5.30pm:

Owen O'Sullivan (Rancher) - Seskin

Thurs. 6th April: 5th week of Lent:

Bantry: 10am: Gerald Cussen

Bantry: 7.30pm: Denis O'Sullivan - Kealkil

**Friday 7th April: 5th week of Lent: St. John Baptist de
la Salle, 1651-1719. Founded Christian Brothers.**

Bantry: 10am:

Nora Hayes, Jer & Mary O'Brien - Drimoleague

Bantry: 7.30pm: Shared Mass

Sat. 8th April: 5th week of Lent: St. Ceallach:

Hospital: 10am:

John & Molly Scully – Maughnaclea, Kealkil

Bantry: 6.15pm: Betty Murray - Ballylickey

Sun. 9th April: Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion:

Bantry: 9am: John O'Regan – Newtown – 1st anniv.

Coomhola: 10am:

**John & Nora Harrington (Derrycreha) & deceased
members of the Harrington Family**

Kealkil: 11am:

Christiana Graves – Ballylickey, Bantry

Bantry: 12 noon: People of the Parish

**Offertory Collection: weekend of 25th / 26th March: Bantry:
€1905; Coomhola:€250; Kealkil:€355. *Special collection for
Holy Places will take place on Good Friday, April 14th.***

**In preparation for Holy Week and the Crucifixion
and Resurrection of our Lord, the Stations of the
Cross will be held on Palm Sunday at 5pm in St.
Finbarr's Church. What better way to start Holy
Week than attending the Stations of the Cross,
praying and reflecting on Jesus and His journey to
Calvarv. All welcome.**

Holy Week Ceremonies: The schedule of ceremonies
for Holy Week is available in all church porches this
weekend. Please take one. Join us as we celebrate the
death and resurrection of Jesus.

Recent Parish Weddings

We congratulate **Orla Moss** (Millbeg, Coomhola) & **Joseph McGarry** (Listowel, Co, Kerry) who were married in St. Joseph's Church, Coomhola on Saturday, 25th March 2017

We wish Orla & Joseph long & happy lives together.

Recent Parish Baptisms:

**Danny James Wiseman
Caherdaniel, Bantry**

**Stephen Patrick O'Keeffe
Gurteenroe, Bantry**

We welcome them into our Christian Community

**Naíonra Bheantraí will be holding their
Open Day on Monday 3rd April at
12noon. All are welcome.**

You are invited you to a Catholic Young Adults Conference (18-40) on Saturday the 22nd April in Ennismore Retreat Centre, Montenotte, Cork organised by the Legion Of Mary Cork Young Adults. It will run from 10am - 6.30pm. The day will consist of inspiring talks, testimonies, prayer and Mass. The cost for the day is €15. This includes a three course lunch. For information email cork.olgraces@gmail.com or call Daniel: 0838345441 / Barry: 0851743570 [facebook.com/OurLadyOfGracesCork](https://www.facebook.com/OurLadyOfGracesCork)

Mealagh Valley Community Alert Group will hold an AGM at Mealagh Hall on Tues.4th April at 8pm. West Cork Crime Prevention Officer Sgt.Ian O'Callaghan along with Gardai from Bantry Station will attend. Please make sure your household is represented at this important meeting and help ensure we keep our valley crime free. Look forward to seeing you on the evening.

The organisers of the recent fundraiser "Shoulder to the Wheel", held recently in Bantry House, would like to sincerely thank all those who helped, and gave money and time to support "Cancer Connect". A sum of €2700 has been to the charity.

**Please take a Trocaire Box this Lent.
Trocaire Boxes / Envelopes can be collected
at the Church Porches.**

CoAction Bantry AGM:

CoAction Bantry will be holding its AGM at their Centre in Slip on Wednesday, April 5th at 8pm. All are welcome.

BUNNY RUN: The Parents' Association of St Finbarr's Boys' National School are organizing a 5K Fun Run on Easter Monday at 12 noon. Registration on the day at the ESB Car Park. €5 entry fee or €10 per family. Walkers, Families, Buggies – all welcome.

**UIBH LAOIRE PARISH PILGRIMAGE to FATIMA
CENTENARY OF THE FATIMA APPARITIONS
10TH – 17TH SEPTEMBER 2017**

**EX CORK AIRPORT
SPIRITUAL DIRECTOR: FR. MARTIN O' DRISCOLL
FULLY ESCORTED PILGRIMAGE
CONTACT: PREMIER TRAVEL AT 021-4277700**

Gaelscoil Bheantraí will be holding a table quiz in the Quays Bar on Friday 7th April at 8.30 pm. A great night of fun is assured. Proceeds will be going to expansion of reading schemes.

There will be a **CPR CLASS** in the parkway hotel on sat 8th of april at 9 15 am . this course will be run by a registered irish heart foundation instructor. it will contain cpr of the adult child and infant along with use of the aed machine and choking of the adult child and infant. this takes 2 1/2 hours to complete. If this is something you are interested in learning please contact Noreen on 086 8986014 spaces are limited.

April: The Holy Eucharist and Holy Spirit

While they were eating, Jesus took a loaf of bread... and said, "Take, eat; this is my body." Mt 26:26.

The month of April is dedicated both to devotion to the Holy Eucharist and devotion to the Holy Spirit. In essence, April is a month of Easter, and during the Easter ceremonies we remember the Eucharistic sacrifice Christ gave us and the baptism in the Holy Spirit, which would come after Jesus's resurrection. The Church in the course of the centuries has introduced various forms of this Eucharistic worship which are ever increasing in beauty and helpfulness; as, for example, visits of devotion to the tabernacles, even every day; Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament; solemn Eucharistic processions, especially the Feast of Corpus Christi, Eucharistic processions pass through cities and villages; and the Blessed Sacrament is publicly exposed. "These exercises of piety have brought a wonderful increase in faith and supernatural life to the Church militant upon earth and they are re-echoed to a certain extent by the Church triumphant in heaven, which sings continually a hymn of praise to God and to the Lamb 'Who was slain.'" --Pope Pius XII

Most Holy Trinity, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, I offer You the most precious Body, Blood, Soul and Divinity of Jesus Christ, present in all the tabernacles of the world, in reparation for the outrages, sacrileges and indifferences with which He Himself is offended. And, through the infinite merits of His most Sacred Heart, and the Immaculate Heart of Mary, I beg of You the conversion of poor sinners. (The Angel of Fatima to the Children)