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Spring Station Masses 2016

It is hoped to have Station Masses for Spring 2016 through March until 30th April.

However, if you wish to host a Station Mass outside of these dates, we will do our best to facilitate this.

If you are thinking of hosting the Spring Stations this year, we would ask you to please contact the parish office (56398) to arrange a date.

Saturday 9th April @ 11am

Dan Joe Holland – Derrycreha, Esknafeelna, Ardnatrush Beg

Friday 15th April @ 8pm

Noreen O'Donovan – Lahadane, Donemark, Carrigbui, Dromafinchin, Dromachapaill, Dromaduneen

Friday 20th May @ 11am

The Keohane Family – Derrinkealig, Drombroe, Cahermacrin

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

Catherine (Kitty) (nee O'Shea)

Cathedral Road, Cork

Charles (Charlie) Dennis

Cappanaloha West, Bantry

May they rest in Peace

Come and See Information Day for Priesthood in the Diocese of Cork & Ross.

The Annual Cork and Ross Vocations Information Day will be held this year at The Pastoral Development Office, Ballyphehane (Telephone 021-4537603) on Sunday April 17th from 2.30pm to 5.30pm. The afternoon allows prospective students to explore the possibility of a vocation and make enquiries in an informal setting. Seminarians for the Diocese will also attend. Further information from: Fr. Tom Deenihan (021) 4301717, Fr Charlie Kiely (021) 4537603 or Canon Bertie O'Mahony (021) 4371684.

Calendar: Mass Times and Intentions:-

Mon. 4th April: The Annunciation of the Lord: Bantry: 10am Johnny O'Leary - Caherdaniel

Tues. 5th April: 2nd Week of Easter:

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

Wed. 6th April: 2nd week of Easter: Bantry: 10am:

John & Marcella Lynch - Blackrock Terrace

Hospital: 5.30pm:

Owen O'Sullivan (Rancher) – Seskin

Thurs.7th April: 2nd week of Easter: St. John Baptist de la Salle, priest

Bantry: No 10am Mass due to Confirmation

Friday 8th April: 2nd week of Easter:

Bantry: 10am: Sisters of Mercy - Avila

Kealkil: 7.30pm:

Danny & Mary McCarthy – Cappabuie, Kealkil

Sat. 9th April: 2nd week of Easter: Hospital: 10am: Neilie O'Sullivan – Baurgorm

Bantry: 6.15pm:

Betty Murray – Ballylickey – 1st anniversary

Sun. 10th April: Third Sunday of Easter:

Bantry: 9am: Tom & Rita Spillane – Chapel Street

Coomhola: 10am:

Tim & Catherine Keohane - Farranfadda

Kealkil: 11am: Con & Hetty Hanley - Lisheens

Bantry: 12noon: People of the Parish

Divine Mercy Sunday – Sunday April 3rd 2016 St. Augustine's Church, Washington Street, Cork.

2pm: Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, Reconciliation, Confessions 3pm:

15.15pm: Talk on St. 3 O'Clock Prayer, Chaplet Faustina's Diary. 3.30pm: Rosary 4pm: Mass

Confirmation Day: Bishop Buckley will administer the Sacrament of Confirmation to the children of St. Finbarr's B.N.S., Our Lady of Mercy N.S. & St. Brendan's School at 10.30am on Thursday 7th April next.

Please note that there will be no morning Mass at 10am and there will be limited parking only in the Church Grounds on the day.

An evening with parents and students on Coping with stress at exam time.

In 2016 we celebrate the fortieth anniversary of the consecration of our parish church, the Church of the Incarnation, Frankfield/Grange. During the year we have planned a series of events each month to mark the occasion.

Conscious of the stresses on young people at this time we ask for your help in promoting our next series of talks during April.

To this end, Frankfield parish, are hosting Mr. Colum Layton, for **An** evening with parents and students on Coping with stress at exam time.

Colum is a former Guidance counselor and has also worked with the Department of Education as an Inspector of Guidance. The talk will take place on Wednesday 6th April at 8pm in the Parish Centre, which is behind the Church. All are welcome and admission is free

Just 4 Fun Kids Camp is running in Bantry in Colaiste Pobail Bheanntrai from the 4th – 8th July 2016. Fun activities for boys and girls from the ages of 5-13 years. Book online or by brochure For more information contact the Just 4 Fun Kids Camp Office 087 182 1594 or 029 70640 checkout our website www.just4funkidscamp.com

Easter Ceremonies

We would like to say a special word of thanks for all your involvement in our most recent Easter Ceremonies. We are particularly grateful to all those who participated, and to everyone who contributed in any particular way.

This time of year gives a particular opportunity to give thanks for the many blessings we have received. Our wish therefore is that this Easter has found you fulfilled and healthy in life.

We wish every blessing especially to all the children in the parish who are to receive the sacraments; that you can be strengthened by God's Holy Spirit, and you can be nourished by the gift of Christ in the Holy Eucharist.

The priests of the Parish are grateful for your support in the Easter collection.

Fr Martin & Fr Sean

SAINT VINCENT DE PAUL. CONTACT NUMBER; 027-55951 ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS — 01-8420700.)

SUICIDE Prevention Helpline 1800 742 745: freephone help-line **Living Links** – supporting the relatives and other survivors of suicide: Tom Corcoran 085 2445575,

West Cork Women against Violence Helpline: 1800203136

Bantry Care for the Aged / Daycare Centre / Housing / Meals on Wheels: Tel: 087-9246582

ACCORD: Relationship Counselling & Pre-Marriage Courses – Tel. 027-50272

West Cork Carers Support Group: Bantry, Tel; 02753848. Check for support, courses and advice.

Legion of Mary: Bantry Church – Upper Sacristy – meetings on Monday evenings at 8pm. All welcome

There will be a Blood Pressure Clinic held at the Bantry Primary Care Health Centre, Maritime Hotel, Bantry on Wednesday, April 6th 2016 from 2.30pm to 4pm. All are welcome to attend this free, confidential service being offered by the Health Service Executive and your local Public Health Nurse.

It is important for people of all ages to have their blood pressure checked on a regular basis.

Thank you from the Bantry Defibrillation Group
The Bantry Defibrillation Group sincerely thank all those who
contributed so generously to the recent Church Gate Collection.
The total amount collected was €1,083 to be used for the
maintenance of the 10 Defibrillators in the community.

45 PROGRESSIVE CARD DRIVE AT MEALAGH HALL ON SATURDAY APRIL 9th. AT 9.00 P.M.. ALL ARE WELCOME. PLEASE NOTE CHANGE OF DATE FOR THIS MONTH ONLY.

Offertory Collection:

Weekend 19th/20th March: Bantry Church: €1686; Kealkil Church: €355; Coomhola Church: €225. *Special collection for Holy Places on Good Friday: Bantry Parish: €1335 Diocesan Needs takes place April 9th & 10th*

Bantry active retirement April monthly meeting will be held on Thursday 7th April at BARA house at 3pm. The guest speaker Debbie Holland will give a talk on Nutritional and Life Style advice for those in their Golden Years. New members wecome.

Bantry Historical Society's AGM takes place in the Christian Fellowship Church on Friday 15th April at 8pm. All are most welcome to attend.