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Parish Office times: Weekdays: Mon. Weds. Thurs. & Fri. 9.30am – 11.30am. Fridays only 1.30pm-3.30pm

Parish website: www.bantryparish.ie

Dates for the Diary:

**Mass for Leaving & Junior Certificate
Students in Bantry Church at 8.15am
On next Wednesday morning 7th June**

This Mass is for students, parents & anybody who would like to support those beginning exams by praying for and with them.

**Eucharistic Processions
in Bantry Parish 2017**

**Sunday 11th June: Coomhola
Sunday 18th June: Kealkil & Bantry**

Graveyard Masses

Cilléanach Mass:

Tuesday, 18th July at 7.30pm
In the event of rain Mass will be celebrated in
St. Finbarr's Church, Bantry.

**Whiddy Island Graveyard Mass
Saturday 29th July at 12noon**

Abbey Graveyard

Tuesday, 8th August at 7.30pm.
In the event of rain Mass will be celebrated in
St. Finbarr's Church, Bantry.

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

**Cáit Keyes (Catherine B.)
Newtown, Bantry**

May she rest in peace

Recent Parish Baptisms:

**Amelia Carmel McSweeney
Breenybeg, Kealkil**

We welcome her into our Christian Community

Calendar: Mass Times and Intentions :-

**Mon. 5th June: 9th week in Ordinary Time: St. Boniface
– Bishop & Martyr**

Bantry: 10am: Jim Cadogan – Reenrou East

**Tues. 6th June: 9th week in Ordinary Time: St. Norbert:
Bantry:10am: Special Intention**

**Wed. 7th June: 9th week in Ordinary Time:
St. Colman – Bishop – Dromore, Co. Down:**

Bantry: 8.15: Mass for Exam Students

**Bantry: 10am: Margaret Minehane – Bridge Street
Hospital: 5.30pm:**

Paud & Mary O'Grady - Ardnageeha

Thurs. 8th June: 9th week in Ordinary Time:

Bantry: 10am: Mike & Nora Riordan – New York

**Friday 9th June: St. Columba (Colum Cille) Abbot &
Missionary, Secondary Patron of Ireland:**

Bantry:10am: Mary Donovan – High Street

Kealkil: 7.30pm: Pat O'Leary - Cahirmounteen

Sat. 10th June: 9th week of Ordinary Time:

Hospital: 10am: Grace Kelly – Dromleigh South

Bantry: 6.15pm:

Mary O'Shea – Chapel Street – 1st anniversary

Sun. 11th June: The Most Holy Trinity:

Bantry: 9am : Esther Lyons – Cork & Bantry

Coomhola: 10am: Finbarr Cronin – Coorloun

Kealkil: 11am:

Jack & Bridie Murphy - Cahirmounteen

12 noon: People of the Parish

St Colum's Overnight Pilgrimage to Knock

1st /2nd July 2017. Cost €110

**Details & Bookings - Matt O'Sullivan (66031), May
Murphy (56632), Mary Holland (63384)**

Diocesan Ordination

**On Saturday, June 10th, Reverend Evin O'Brien of
Mahon parish will be Ordained to the Priesthood by
Bishop John Buckley at the Church of the Holy Cross,
Mahon at 12 noon. Parishioners from throughout the
Diocese are invited to attend the ordination.**

**Trocaire: Eamonn Meehan, Executive Director of
Trocaire has written to thank the People of Bantry
Parish for their generous donations to the Trocaire
Lenten Campaign 2017 which amount to €5,045. A
copy of this letter is hanging in the Church Porches.**

Offertory Collection: weekend of 27th /28th May: Bantry:€1935; Coomhola:€250; Kealkil:€340.

**Special Collection for the World Meeting of Families last weekend: Bantry - €1315; Coomhola-€190;
Kealkil-€315. Peters Pence Special Collection will take place on June 24th/25th next.**

Cork Pro Life talk and training on "How to Win the Pro Life Argument" with Sarah Ekada, Paddy Manning and Michael Dwyer of Family & Life on Tuesday June 13th in The Maldron Hotel, Cork at 7:30pm. All welcome!"

Bingo Fundraiser: €1,000 Bingo night in Boys' Club, Bantry on Sunday 11 June at 8.30 p.m. This is a Fundraiser in aid of Our Lady of Mercy National School Special Needs Unit. Raffle for Hampers and Vouchers. Great night guaranteed!

Cork ARC Cancer Support House Bantry would like to extend a huge thank you to all who joined us on our recent '96fm Radiothon Coffee Morning' on the 25th May 2017. Thanks to all the bakers and volunteers on the day. Without your kindness and generosity we would not be able to provide the much needed services to the people of West Cork. Our West Cork Cancer Support Service is open two days per week, and is offering cancer patients and their families in West Cork and South Kerry a drop in support service, counselling, therapeutic massage and reflexology as well as a weekly drop in 'Hour of Calm' session. All our services are available free of charge, and supported by fundraising activity. For more information please call Catriona O'Mahony on (027) 53891.

It is Church Music Summer School time again. The Summer School 2017 begins on Wednesday, 5 July and ends on Saturday, 8 July. The guest director this year is Órla Barry, Ballinteer, Co. Dublin. She conducted Summer School 2011 when *Sing the Mass* was launched. She is accompanied by our Irish composers: Bernard Sexton, Ephrem Feeley and Liam Lawton. The theme for the Summer School is: *Joy For The World*, preparing for the World Meeting of Families 2018. See Parish Office for details and booking forms.

Just 4 Fun Kids Camp is in **Bantry Colaiste Pobail Bheantraí** from the 3rd – 7th July 2017. 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 website www.just4funkidscamp.com

Bantry Inshore Search & Rescue

This year Bantry Inshore Search & Rescue Association Ltd will be hosting their open day to the public on Saturday 17th June. Take a guided tour of the lifeboat station to see how a fully operational search and rescue station operates. Take a ride in our state of the art rescue boat St. Brendan and experience the thrill of powering across the water in front of 150BHP engines. Suitable for all the family, the event starts at 2pm in the afternoon. Weather and emergencies permitting we will be conducting a surface to air rescue with the Coast Guard Helicopter during the afternoon.

Community Call are looking for a couple more volunteers to make telephone calls to older people who are on our client list. we work under the rural transport on Main Street and run a listening and friendly call service. anyone who is interested in helping on a weekly basis for an hour or so please contact Fizz on 52727.

Cork County Council's litter challenge: May 8th – June 15th. The final residential area up for inspection is **Slip Grove** (6th – 14th June) In addition, 6 areas of town will be judged during the judging period as will a service/school area and a stretch adjacent to a green area. This is solely a litter challenge: cigarette butts, paper, cans, coffee cups etc. Bantry Tidy Towns would urge everybody to make a special effort in keeping their areas clean of litter. If you wish to clean a nearby area please tel. Winnie on [0872513732](tel:0872513732) to collect bags, and vests.

Booking of Masses 2018

In every Mass we are invited to pray for loved ones who have gone to their eternal reward and for all the faithful departed. Until recently, we have had little trouble in this parish in accommodating peoples' wishes on an individual basis. However, this practice is becoming more difficult because of the number of funerals we have had over the last few years.

It is now proposed that each of the weekend Masses will be offered for 4 intentions. These will be shared Masses. This won't suit everyone, but we have no choice. As you are aware we have this practice already on the First Friday evening Mass and it is proving beneficial in accommodating peoples' wishes. We are not the first to have shared Masses as a number of Parishes in the Diocese have already introduced it.

We will, of course, continue to pray for our deceased in the Anniversary List at weekend Masses.

As this is not a money making exercise but a way of trying to facilitate everybody, one of the Mass offerings will go to the Priest who offers the particular Mass; the other Mass offerings will be donated to local charities.

Bookings will be taken for 2018 Masses at the Parish office when the new diary is available at the end of August.