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September: Month of Our Lady of Sorrows

“Then Simeon blessed them and said to his mother Mary, “This child is destined for the falling and rise of many in Israel... a sword will pierce your own soul too.” Luke 2:34-35

God vouchsafed to select the very things about Him which are most incommunicable, and in a most mysteriously real way communicate them to her. See how He had already mixed her up with the eternal designs of creation, making her almost a partial cause and partial model of it. Our Lady's co-operation in the redemption of the world gives us a fresh view of her magnificence. The seven sorrows of Our Lady include; the Circumcision and Prophecy of Simeon; the Flight into Egypt; Loss of Child Jesus for Three Days, Jesus on his Way to Calvary; the Crucifixion of Christ; the Burial of Christ.

During this month of September, we are drawn into the spiritual martyrdom that the Blessed Mother experienced during the physical martyrdom of Jesus. The evils of sin are manifest but conquered through intense suffering. The Blessed Mother's tears of anguish reflect God's washing away of sin. Jesus and our Lady's lives should be seen as perfectly interwoven, their two hearts were completely united, so we can share in the fruit of redemption, their love.

Our Lady of Sorrows; pray for us.

Recent Parish Baptisms:

Teagan Eileen Manning

Nantucket, M.A.

Deane Olan O'Flynn

Coorloun West, Ballylickey, Bantry

Seán Noel Deasy

Lahern West, Ballylickey, Bantry

We welcome them into our Christian Community

Calendar: Mass Times and Intentions :-

Mon. 5th Sept: 23rd week in ordinary time:

Bantry: 10am:

William & Christine Wiseman - Beach

Tues. 6th Sept: 23rd Week in Ordinary Time:

Bantry: 10am: Sheila O'Sullivan - Adrigole

Wed. 7th Sept: 23rd Week in Ordinary Time:

Bantry: 10am: Benny Keogh – Dromleigh – 1st anniv.

Hospital: 5.30pm:

Eily O'Driscoll – Scart Road (20th anniv) & deceased members of the Kelly & O'Driscoll families.

Thurs. 8th Sept:

The Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary:

Bantry: 10am: Paddy Nagle – Blackrock Terrace

Friday 9th Sept: 23rd week in Ordinary Time:

Bantry: 10am:

James Gilhooley – Bantry – 100th anniversary

Kealkil: Sheila Cronin - Gortroe

Sat. 10th Sept.: 23rd Week in Ordinary Time:

Hospital: 10am:

Patrick & Catherine Harrington - Drimoleague

Bantry: 6.15pm: John O'Shea - Droumaloughlin

Sun. 11th Sept: 24th Sunday in Ordinary Time:

Bantry: 9am:

Owen O'Sullivan – Glencreagh – 1st anniv.

Coomhola: 10am:

Shannon Keohane – Corran, Coomhola

Kealkil: 11am:

Donal Murphy - Lisheens.

12noon: People of the Parish

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

Brendan Harrington

Parade Field, Bantry

May he rest in Peace

Bantry Parish Assembly: Thanks to all who have agreed to be part of the Second Parish Assembly. A short formation programme facilitated by Cork and Ross Pastoral Development Office will take place in the Westlodge Hotel and the schedule is as follows:

Session 1: Monday September 12th 2016 7.30pm to 9.00pm

Session 2: Saturday September 17th 2016 10.00am to 2.30pm

Session 3: Monday September 19th 2016 7.30pm to 9.00pm

After this formation process the Parish Assembly will meet one evening each month between September & June.

Come and See Vocations Afternoon
2pm - 4.30pm Saturday 17th September
For women discerning a religious vocation
Poor Clare Monastery – College Road, Cork
For further information: www.poorclarescork.ie
Email: vocationspoorclarescork@gmail.com

Bantry Care for the Aged Association - A.G.M.
on Monday 12th September @ 6pm
(Please note change in time)
At the Meal & Wheels Kitchen, No.1 Ard Mhuire
New Members are most welcome.

Tea/Coffee Morning in aid of Brú Columbanus
This September schools, companies & clubs are asked to organise a tea/coffee morning for Brú Columbanus. Home from Home for relatives of seriously ill patients in Cork Hospitals & Hospice. For details contact 021-4345754 or 087-2787074

Offertory Collection: Weekend 27th/28th August:
Bantry: €1905. Kealkil: €310. Coomhola: €310.
Special collection for Priesthood Education will take place on September 24th/25th.

45 PROGRESSIVE CARD DRIVE AT MEALAGH VALLEY HALL ON SAT. SEPTEMBER 17TH. AT 9.00 P.M.. PLEASE NOTE CHANGE OF TIME. €10/person. YOUR SUPPORT IS VERY MUCH APPRECIATED. COMPLIMENTARY RESFRESMENTS ARE SERVED.

St Colum's GAA: West Cork Junior A Hurling Final, St Colum's Vs Kilbree, Sunday September the 4th, in Castletownkeinngh with a 6pm throw in. Please support. Best of luck to all the lads & management involved!! St Colum's Abú!!

Autumn Station Masses 2016

It is hoped to have Station Masses for Autumn 2016 during the months of September & October. If you are thinking of hosting the Autumn Stations this year, we would ask you to please contact the parish office (56398) to arrange a date. Thank you.

Autumn Station Masses 2016

Saturday September 10th @ 11am

Kathleen O'Donovan – Caher, Gories, Cappanavar, Leacadiomhaoin

Friday September 16th @ 8pm

Joe & Rose Tobin - Caherdaniel, Derrygrenaugh M & E, Raheen, Ardnagaoithe Beg

Saturday September 24th @ 11am

Breda McCoy – Dromleigh

Saturday 1st October @ 11am

Val & Geraldine Whooley – Derrinkealig, Drombroe, Cahernacrin

BEGINNING EXPERIENCE is a worldwide specially designed Support Programme for men and women who have suffered the loss of a spouse by death, separation or divorce. The next weekend is on at Ennismore Retreat Centre, Cork from Fri. 7th October to Sun. 9th October, 2016. Call 087 9886480 or email: beginningexperiencecork@gmail.com

CALLING ALL OLDER PEOPLE LIVING ALONE! Community Call maybe for you!

Community Call offers a friendly call and listening phone service for older people and those living alone. Calls are made by our team of experienced volunteers, we value respect, honesty and confidentiality. If you would like some contact, some information or just a chat; let us know and we'll arrange a time to suit you. Community call works under the Local Link Cork rural transport service. Leaflets available from office at 5, Main St, Bantry. Contact us on 027-52727

The Glengarriff Youth Theatre Group (GYTG) members of NAYD, will begin a new season on Monday 19th September, 7:00 pm - 9:00 in the Glengarriff Hall. If you're a secondary school student and looking for a creative way to express yourself why not come along and see if theatre is for you. Registration fee €25. For more info contact Maria O'Sullivan at 087-914-1206.

Cancer Connect Fundraiser

Sincere thanks to everyone who contributed to the fundraising night at the Ouvane Falls recently for Cancer Connect – Transport to Cork Hospitals. A sum of €3081 was donated.

There will be a Blood Pressure Clinic held at the Bantry Primary Care Health Centre, Maritime Hotel, Bantry on Wednesday, September 7th 2016 from 2.30pm to 4pm. All are welcome to attend this free, confidential service offered by the HSE. It is important for people of all ages to have their blood pressure checked on a regular basis

Bantry Basketball Club

Registration Night (7-8pm) & AGM (8pm) will take place in Bantry Boys Club on Tuesday 6th September. All parents requested to attend.

Due to continued growth Bantry Basketball Club is recruiting new coaches to help with underage teams. If you have played basketball and would like to get involved please call 087-7857729. Thank you.