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You are welcome to a Eucharistic Holy Hour including Rosary and Divine Mercy devotions every Monday evening commencing at 8pm in the Hospital Chapel.

**Spring Station Masses 2017:**

There are 40 Station areas in Bantry Parish but only 12 families hosted the Station Mass in Autumn 2016. It is in our own hands to either hold on to the practice of the Station or let it die. It is hoped to have Station Masses for Spring 2017 starting on 1<sup>st</sup> February and continuing through February and March until 30<sup>th</sup> 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**

Friday February 24<sup>th</sup> @ 8pm

**Danny & Noreen Coppinger** – Lisheens, Traenamaddree

Saturday February 25<sup>th</sup> @ 11am

**Ann & Anthony O'Shea** – Gories, Caher, Leacadiomhaoin, Capanavar

Saturday March 18<sup>th</sup> @ 11am

**Monica Wiseman** – Dromleigh

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

**Kathleen Fitzpatrick (née McBride)**

– **Ballylickey, Bantry, Ongar, Essex & late of Castleblayney, Monaghan**

**John (Jnr) O'Sullivan  
Moulavanig, Kealkil**

**May they rest in peace.**

**Saturday, February 11<sup>th</sup> – Feast of our Lady of Lourdes, World Day of the Sick**

The Sacrament of the Sick (Anointing) will be administered during the 10am Mass at the Hospital Chapel. All who might be in need of the Sacrament are invited to receive it.

**Calendar: Mass Times and Intentions :-**

**Mon. 6<sup>th</sup> February: 5<sup>th</sup> week in Ordinary Time:**

**Bantry: 10am:**

**Leo, James & Mary O'Sullivan - Droumsullivan**

**Tues. 7<sup>th</sup> February: 5<sup>th</sup> week in Ordinary Time:**

**Bantry: 10am: John & Angel Cronin & their son John Cronin - Clooneygorman**

**Wed. 8<sup>th</sup> February: 5<sup>th</sup> week in Ordinary Time:**

**Bantry: 10am: Seanie Kearns - Lahadane**

**Hospital: 5.30pm: Sonny & Nora O'Mahony - Ards**

**Thurs. 9<sup>th</sup> February: 5<sup>th</sup> week in Ordinary Time:**

**Bantry: 10am: Jerry & Hannah Murphy – Raheen**

**Friday 10<sup>th</sup> February: 5<sup>th</sup> week in Ordinary Time:**

**Bantry: 10am:**

**Mary & Ann O'Leary – Bantry & London**

**Kealkil: 7.30pm:**

**Pat Joe & Mary O'Connor – Dromore &**

**Pat & Lil O'Connor - Curramore**

**Sat. 11<sup>th</sup> February: 5<sup>th</sup> week in Ordinary Time:**

**Hospital: 10am: Michael O'Connor – Chapel Street**

**Bantry: 6.15pm: Michael O'Donoghue – Tower Street**

**Sun. 12<sup>th</sup> February: 6<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time:**

**Bantry: 9am: Pat Murnane - Letterlickey**

**Coomhola: 10am:**

**Mary Harrington – Cooryleary, Coomhola**

**Kealkil: 11am: Mary Murphy – Kealkil & Enniskeane**

**Bantry: 12 noon: People of the Parish**

Gaelscoil Bheantraí will be holding their Open Day on Friday February 17<sup>th</sup> at 12.15. All new pupils and parents welcome. Please bring along your child's birth cert & PPS number on the day.

**Offertory Collection: Weekend of 28<sup>th</sup> / 29<sup>th</sup> January: Bantry: €1665; Coomhola: €365; Kealkil: €320.**

**Parish Maintenance Fund: We will have a second collection at all Masses this weekend February 4<sup>th</sup>/5<sup>th</sup> to help pay the costs of the recent renovation works. We very much appreciate your generosity in contributing to all collections in the parish. Thank you.**

**Recent Parish Baptisms:**

**Katie Mary Cronin - (Derrynafinchin, Borlin)**

**We welcome her into our Christian Community**

### Vocations to Priesthood Weekend

An invitation is extended to men between 18 and 40 who are interested in the Diocesan priesthood as a way of life, to join with others for a weekend from **Friday 17th 6pm to Saturday 18th 3pm February taking place in Thurles**. There is no charge to attend the weekend – please contact Fr Charlie Kiely on 021 4537603 or at [charliekiely@gmail.com](mailto:charliekiely@gmail.com) for further details.

**Fatima 2017 - Drimoleague Parish Pilgrimage Centenary of the Fatima Apparitions, 11<sup>th</sup> – 18<sup>th</sup> of June. Flight from Cork Airport. Spiritual Director: Fr Liam Crowley. Contact: Premier Travel LTD. Tel.: 021- 4277700**

*Croí na Gaeilge* (Tel. 085 1611573 after 6 p.m. only) is holding a final Leaving Certificate Honours Oral Irish (worth 40% of total exam marks) Intensive One Day Preparation Course during the mid-term break on Monday February 20th from 11-6 p.m. given by an experienced Oral Examiner/Teacher and open to all 6th & 5th Year Honours students in Bantry and surrounding areas. All topics will be covered (including sraith pictiúr, general conversation, poetry reading, Gaeltacht phrases and nathanna cainte).

**CoAction Bingo:** After a short break, the regular Bingo in support of CoAction will resume at the Boys Club on this Sunday, February 5th at 8pm. All are welcome.

Noreen & Sean McSweeney, Drimoleague presented a cheque in the sum of €12,410.22 to Bantry Hospice, Dunmanway Hospital, Marymount Hospice and Cancer Research, as a result of putting on a wonderful display of Christmas lights over the Festive Season. Noreen and Sean would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone for their generous donations during the Christmas Period

**Macra Table Quiz :** Bantry Macra are holding a quiz night Friday the 10th of February in Pearsons Bridge Bar starting at 9pm. Table of 4 for €20. Spot prizes on the night. All are welcome!

West Cork Carers Support Group is hosting an **I.T. Security Course for Carers A 2-week course covering how to secure your data and identity on laptops, tablets or phones, as well as issues such as hacking of emails and Facebook.**  
**Venue:** St. Gobans **Dates:** Thurs 9<sup>th</sup> and 16<sup>th</sup> Feb  
**Times:** 10.30am to 12 noon **Cost:** No Charge  
**Booking:** Essential by calling 027-53848  
**All Family Carers welcome.** For more info. contact us on 027 53848 or at [westcorkcarers@eircom.net](mailto:westcorkcarers@eircom.net)

### Lourdes 2017 – Young Adult Helpers.

The Diocese of Cork and Ross invites Young Adults 18-30 year olds to come to Lourdes as helpers from 11th to 16th June. As helpers you will assist with the sick and be involved in the full pilgrimage programme as well as time for prayer, for making new friends and sharing in the story of Lourdes. Limited number of places. Closing date for applicants is 28<sup>th</sup> February 2017. For further details contact Fr. Charlie Kiely 021-4537603, Pastoral Development Office, Parochial House, Ballyphehane, Cork or email: [charliekiely@gmail.com](mailto:charliekiely@gmail.com)

### Annual Cancer Fundraiser – Appeal

The annual fundraiser will be held in the **“Timberland Shop”, Bantry (next to Bantry Book Shop, William Street) from Tuesday March 14<sup>th</sup> to Monday March 27<sup>th</sup> (10.00am to 5.00pm)**

**Donations:** Any items surplus to requirements welcome – unwanted gifts, unused purchases, jewellery, bags, ornaments, statues, bric –a- brac, household and nursery items, arts and crafts, pictures, paintings, glass, ware and china, good toys and games, exercise equipment, radios, music centres, musical instruments, cds and dvds etc etc. (no clothes, shoes or books). Items for sale for this very worthy cause would be very much appreciated.

**Donated items will be collected at the shop on Saturday, Sunday and Monday, March 11<sup>th</sup>, 12<sup>th</sup> & 13<sup>th</sup> (10am – 4 pm)**

**Sale of donated goods at the shop from Tuesday March 14<sup>th</sup> to Monday March 27<sup>th</sup> 10.00am to 5.00pm)**

The proceeds will be divided equally between Cork Cancer Research, Cancer Connect and Palliative Care, Bantry Hospital. Please help us to support these great causes. Together we can make a difference. Further details please contact Nora Cremin (027) 51276.

Bingo with A €500 Prize Fund takes place at Mealagh Valley Hall on Tuesday February 7th. at 8.00 P.M.. There will also be A Raffle for Cash Prizes. Usual Bus Service will Run from Durrus & Bantry. Complimentary Refreshments will be served on the Evening. As Always Your Continued Support is Very Much Appreciated.

**St Colums Ladies Football and Camogie Club** would like to thank all those who came and supported their recent Bake Sale. €470 euro was raised to support the club as it begins its new chapter as a combined dual club. Follow us on facebook to find out more