

BANTRY PARISH NEWSLETTER
FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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Parish Office times: Weekdays: Monday & Wednesday 9am – 11am. Thursday & Fridays 9am – 12noon–

Parish website: www.bantryparish.ie

Calendar: Mass Times and Intentions :-

Mon. 4th February: 4th week in Ordinary Time:

Bantry: 10am: Bill Bennett – Slip Park

Tues. 5th February: 4th week in Ordinary Time:

Bantry: 10am: People of the Parish

Wed. 6th February: 4th week in Ordinary Time:

Bantry: 10am: People of the Parish

Hospital: 5.30pm: Jimmy Coakley - Inchigeela

Thurs. 7th February: 4th week in Ordinary Time:

Bantry: 10am: People of the Parish

Friday 8th February: 4th week in Ordinary Time:

Bantry: 10am: People of the Parish

Kealkil: 7.30pm: Pat & Lil O'Connor – Curramore

Pat Joe & Mary O'Connor - Dromore

Sat. 9th February: 4th week in Ordinary Time:

Hospital: 10am: Con & Annie Keane – Kealkil

Bantry: 6.15pm: Mickey O'Donoghue – Tower Street

Kevin Lynch (Snr) – Dromleigh

Margaret & Vincent O'Sullivan – Dromleigh South

Sun. 10th February: Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time:

Bantry: 9am: Pat & Hannie Murnane – Letterlickey

Pat O'Sullivan – Moreigh, Dunmanway

Coomhola: 10am: Mary Harrington – Cooryleary, Coomhola

Kealkil: 11am: Bernie O'Sullivan – Droumsullivan

Mary Murphy – Kealkil & Enniskeane

Bantry: 12noon: People of the Parish

SAMUEL PROGRAMME:

Samuel Programme for young adults begins on Sunday 17th Feb in Clonakilty Parish Centre and a group in Cork city. There will be a gathering once a month for 6 months. For more details or to book a place contact eavopost@gmail.com or call 0872209994

There will be a Polish Mass in Clonakilty Church on Sunday 10th February at 1pm.

LEGION OF MARY:

The Legion of Mary was founded in 1921 and is still active in Bantry. Meetings are held every Monday at 7 pm. in the Upper Sacristy.

New members are welcome.

Contact Sheila at 027 51868.

Died Recently:

We extend our prayers & sympathy to the family, relatives and friends:

William (Bill) Bennet

– Slip Park, Bantry

May he rest in peace.

Recent Parish Baptisms:

Gearoid Matthew O'Brien

& Oisín Harry O'Brien

– Coomleigh East, Bantry

We welcome them into our Christian Community

PILGRIMAGE TO ROME

during EASTER WEEK

DATES: 22ND – 29TH APRIL, 2019

AIRPORT: EX DUBLIN. COST:

€1350.00 PER PERSON (for group of 30 people). Brochures & booking form

available from the Parish Office.

COLLECTION OF UNWANTED CLOTHES & LINENS on

Friday, 15th February @ 9.30am.

CAPPABUE N.S. WILL BE COLLECTING OLD

CLOTHING/HOUSEHOLD TEXTILES/SHOES TO RAISE

MONEY FOR THE PARENTS' ASSOCIATION. PLEASE

DROP BAGS TO CAPPABUE N.S on Wednesday 13th

First Friday Communion Calls: Fr. Martin will make his calls this coming week, on Wednesday 6th, Thursday 7th, & Friday 8th February.

February Feast Days

Sunday 3rd February - Feast of St. Blaise: Blessing of Throats will take place after 6.15pm Mass in Bantry on Saturday 2nd February and after all the morning Masses on Sunday 3rd February.

Monday, February 11th – Feast of our Lady of Lourdes, World Day of the Sick

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

Parking in Bantry Church Grounds: The Parish Assembly asks all parishioners attending Bantry Church to carefully park their cars only in the designated areas. Parking spaces near the doors should be left for disabled and elderly people. It is vital that a clear entrance and exit around the Church be kept at all times in the event of an emergency

Enrolment in Kealkil National School: Kealkil N.S. is having the annual enrolment for junior infants September 2019 on Friday 8th February, 1pm-3pm. Come and see our wonderful school and meet the staff & pupils. Please contact 027-66298 for any further information. Please bring your child's birth certificate on the day

Cork & Ross Pilgrimage to Lourdes 2019 10-15 June (5 nights) – full board accommodation Booking forms available from the Pilgrim Section, Joe Walsh Tours, 117 Patrick St. Cork. Tel.021-4277959. Enquiries for Special Sick/Assisted Section to The Pilgrimage Director, V. Rev Canon James O'Donovan, Parochial House, Ballinlough, Cork. Tel: 021-4292296

Coomhola NS will hold an Enrolment Day on Friday 8th February at 10 a.m. Please visit coomholans.ie for enrolment form. All welcome

Bantry Historical and Archaeological Society
Bantry Historical and Archaeological Society will hold their Annual General Meeting on Monday 4th February at 8pm in the Christian Fellowship This will be an opportunity for suggestions on the running of the organisation as well as ideas for future events.

This will be preceded by a short talk by Clare Heardman on the history of the white-tailed Sea Eagle in Ireland. All welcome.

A Special thank you to Noreen and Sean McSweeney:

The Bantry Hospice committee would like to take this opportunity to say a very special thank you to Noreen and Sean McSweeney for their incredible fundraising over the festive period. Noreen and Sean raised a phenomenal €12,433.00 from their Christmas lights display.

The €12,433.00 was donated to: Cancer Research, Marymount Hospice, Bantry Hospice and the West Cork Rapid Response.

Beyond Suicide Programme: This free 8 week programme is open to adults aged 18 and over who have lost a partner or family member to suicide. It is designed to give participants some understanding of the grief attached to suicide and help to work through the guilt and shame that survivors often carry, in a safe and confidential group setting. *Participants must be at least 6 months after their bereavement.* The programme runs from Tuesday, 19th February 2019 – 9th April 2019, 7.00pm to 9.30pm for 8 Tuesday evenings in The National Learning Network Centre (NLN), Bantry. *Booking is essential as places are limited.*

The programme is organised by the HSE and local community organisations, and will be run by two facilitators trained and experienced in bereavement and loss with the Cork Social Health Education Project (SHEP). For enquiries and booking please contact: Brídín Ashe, HSE Community Worker: 086 787 2273 or Rita Bevan, The Caha Centre: 083 325 8584

21st March 2019 – World Down Syndrome Day Guinness World Record.

In aid of The Down Syndrome Centre Cork, Bingo at the Rock will be hosting their annual coffee morning in aid of the charity from 10:00 am until 12 noon. FREE tea & Coffee and CAKES on the day as well as some AMAZING spot prizes that will be raffled as always. Aside from the coffee morning, they will also be making an attempt to break the WORLDS LARGEST BINGO CARD world record. This will begin at 12:30 followed by some bingo and major fun!! Tickets to be involved in the attempt at breaking the world record will be €20 and this will give the ticket holder entry into the game by means of a 3-page bingo book. Tickets can be bought in The Down Syndrome Centre, Forge Hill, Cork 0219615616 or in Rock Bingo, Deanrock Business Park, Togher, Cork. 021425011 This event is to raise much needed funds for The Down Syndrome Centre, who rely 100% on donations and receive no government funding. **ALL WELCOME**

Fitness Talk: As "Operation Transformation" is in full swing around the country, Mary Kelleher, from the Skibbereen Sports Centre, will be giving advice at Bantry Library on Wednesday next, February 6th at 3pm. Mary, who is a Pilates teacher and group fitness instructor, will talk about the benefits of physical activity for all ages and what types of exercise programmes are most beneficial for you. Comfortable clothing and footwear should be worn as some light exercise movement with gentle stretches will be included. All are welcome and booking is advised. For further details, contact 027-50460.

Lourdes Pilgrimage:

The Bantry Parish and Friends Pilgrimage will take place from the 19nd to 24th September 2019 (Ex. Cork) with Full Board accommodation in the 'Agena Hotel'. **Spiritual Director: Canon Martin O'Driscoll. Booking forms & Details available in the Parish Office, Bantry Church.**

Offertory Collection: Weekend 26th/27th

January 2019: Bantry: €1985,
Coomhola:€333, Kealkil:€300

There will be a special collection for the Church Repair Fund this w/e.

A special collection for Lourdes Invalid Fund will take place next w/e 9th/10th Feb..