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Death: We pray for **William Burke**, Ballygamboon.
Helen O’ Shea, Pallas, Beaufort.
Baptism: **Jack Poff**, Carraig an Dúin

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament in Milltown Parish Meeting Room
Wednesday 5:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

Masses & Intentions

Mon. 2 nd Oct.	Milltown		<i>No Morning Mass in Milltown</i>
Tues. 3 rd Oct.	Listry	7:00 p.m.	
Wed. 4 th Oct.			
Thurs 5 th Oct.	Milltown	9:00 a.m.	<i>No Morning Mass in Milltown</i>
Fri. 6 th Oct.	Milltown	8:00 p.m.	<i>Mary & Eddie Langford, Bansha</i>
Sat. 7 th Oct.	Listry	6:00 p.m.	
Sun. 8 th Oct.	Milltown	11:15 a.m.	<i>Jer McGillicuddy, Farran</i>

Eucharistic Ministers

Listry Saturday Terry & Bridie Murphy
Milltown Rosemarie Healy, Mary Kelliher, Tim Fleming & Jackie O’ Connor
Ashborough Lodge Betty Moriarty

Readers

Listry Saturday Michael F. O’ Connor & Catriona O’ Donoghue
Milltown Sunday Family Readers

Servers

Listry Saturday Lily Kate Clifford, Sarah Fitzgerald, Yvonne O’ Connell & Sadhbh Curran
Milltown
Friday & Sunday Oisín Spring, Cathal Spring, Elyse Barrett & Jennifer Barrett

Offertory Collection last weekend €1135.00
Thank you for your generosity

Counters for October: Martin O' Sullivan, Sheila O' Sullivan, Mary Kelliher & Mary Corkery O'Sullivan

Flower Arranger. Sept 30th – Oct. 13th Noreen Brassil

Communion Calls will take place as follows:-

Listry area Thursday 5th October. (Coolroe, Ballymalis, Lahard, Faha, Knocknagowna, Rockfield, Lissivane)

Milltown area Friday 6th October. (Ardmelode, Brackhill, Ballymacandy, Clonmore, Rathpook & Milltown)

Ardfert Retreat Centre – Upcoming Events (066) 7134276

Human and Religious Development as Catholic Christians: Fr. Sean Sheehy, Wed. 4th Oct. 7:00 p.m. - 8.30 p.m.

The Practice of Lectio Divina: Fr. Brendan Clifford OP, Thurs. Oct. 5th 7:00.p.m. - 9.30 p.m.

Ardfert Historical Lecture Series: Ann Kearney, old cures from the Ardfert area, Thurs. 12th Oct. 8:00 p.m.-10:00 p.m.

Self-Care Day: 'Tools to manage life's every day stressors', Betty Garnett, Sat. 14th Oct. 9:45 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. Contact Betty (087)2498061 bgarnett@eircom.net

The Diocesan Assembly "How can parish support family life?" will take place on Sunday 15th October in the Brandon Hotel, Tralee from 2:00 p.m. -6:00 p.m. This is for Clergy and all members of the Parish Pastoral Council, Liturgy group, Youth Ministers, Parish Secretaries and Sacristans. Please register with PatriciaODonoghue@Dioceseofkerry.org

The Annual Feast of St Francis will be celebrated on Sunday 8th October at the 11.30 a.m. Mass in the Friary, Killarney. The Blessing of all animals will take place at 3:30 p.m. outside the Friary Church.

Monthly Prayer Meeting will take place on Sunday Oct. 1st in Muintir na Tíre hall, Milltown at 8:00 p.m. Guest speakers are Jimmy & Marie Gough, Dublin All most welcome.

Nagle-Rice P.S and Nagle Rice Community Centre is organising a fundraiser, 'A Night at the Dogs' on Friday 27th Oct. There will be people calling to sell tickets in the coming weeks. Your support would be greatly appreciated.

Nagle Rice Community Centre is running free computer training classes during November for four weeks, from 10:00 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. Laptops provided. Please contact Betty (087) 9972771.

Hurling. The annual Pat Langford memorial cup 7-a-side match will take place this Sunday October 1st at Knockavota. Start 1:30 p.m.



St. Colman's Parish
The 26th Sunday in
Ordinary Time
30th Sept./1st Oct. 2017

Pursuit of Happiness or Joy?

Mental health is in the news like never before. And this is a good thing. The reasons for poor mental health are many and complex. However, in his book 'The Good Life', Hugh Mackey argues that happiness has become an industry that is selling people a lie.

"The idea that everything we do is part of the pursuit of happiness seems to be a dangerous idea. Children are being taught that happiness is the default position – and this is rubbish. Wholeness is what we should be striving for and part of that is sadness, disappointment, frustration, failure; all of those things that make up who we are".

You will often hear parents say that all they want for their children is that they are 'happy'. It may be a throwaway line but it does point to a deeper anxiety. Why don't parents say: 'I want my child to be faithful, hopeful, loving, just and good'. Living these virtues will not always lead to happiness – but it will bring something more precious and valuable. Joy.

Christian joy is not the same thing as happiness. It celebrates that we know where we have come from, why we are here and where we are going. It moves from trying to find the easy path in life to confronting the inevitable tough moments, and to embrace suffering as a reality of being human. It seeks to be resilient in the face of adversity.

Life for so many people is not as happy as they may have been promised. Sometimes to the point where it is difficult to

have any hope in the future. Living Christian joy is not easy or straightforward. But setting out on this path is more realistic and wholesome way to make sense of who we are, what we need to do and what direction we are heading towards.

Prayer to Mary, Mother of the Life Within

*O Mary, Mother of the Life Within,
all life we entrust to you;
The life of every expectant mother
and the child within her womb:
The life of every human body,
the life of every human soul;
The life of every newborn child
and the life of all grown old.
You held the Lord to your own heart and
drew him so close in.
So draw us now in all our needs,
O Mother of the Life Within.
Amen.*

Mission month of October 2017

Today marks the first day of the Mission Month of October. World Missions Ireland is the Holy Father's official charity for overseas mission and is responsible for coordinating Mission Sunday in Ireland. A calendar of events has been put in place throughout the month ahead; details can be found at www.wmi.ie

Mass Cards

Signed Mass cards are now available in the Parish Office.

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