

MASS INTENTIONS 23RD DECEMBER - 29TH DECEMBER 2019
ST. MARY'S CATHEDRAL:
Morning Mass Mon - Sat 10.30am

Mon 6.15pm	Thomas O'Brien, Peterborough London & Pinewood Estate (Months mind) Sean Eviston, Shepherds Home, Countess Road Mary Elizabeth (Betty) Murphy, Monastery Gardens Bridie & Jerry Brosnan and their Son Donal Brosnan, Shehy House, New Street The Deceased Members of the O'Sullivan Family & Their Deceased Friends Coleman & Christine Kelliher, High Street James Wrenn, Woodlawn House, Woodlawn Eily Doherty, Molly Connor, Mary Byrnes & Mr & Mrs Coffey, Flemings Lane Joze Lakner, Slovenia
Tues 6.15pm	Children's Mass
Wed 6.15pm	Christmas Day
Thur 6.15pm	Bank Holiday—No 6.15pm
Fri 6.15pm	Jerry O'Leary, Emmett's Terrace, Lewis Road
Sat 6.15pm	Kathleen & George Hardy & their Son Georgie and Grandson Lee Tom Murphy, 9 St. Brendan's Place Martin Griffin, Dalton's Avenue and Deceased Members of the Griffin and Brennan Families Martin Beckett & his Son Martin, Cluanin, Woodlawn Rd Carolyn Brosnan, San Francisco & Killarney Ann, Batt & Emily Horrigan, Muckcross Road James & Margaret McKenna, Castlerosse Cottages Mary Whitsell & Her Husband Gerard, Hawthorn Ave
Sun 8.00am	No Intention
Sun 10.30am	No Intention
Sun 12noon	Peggy Murray, Camraes, Lewis Road

CHURCH OF THE RESURRECTION:
Morning Mass Mon—Sat 9.30am

Mon 9.30 am	Mickey & Mary Fleming & Baby Majella
Tues 9.30 am	No Intention
Tues 6.00pm	Children's Mass
Wed 9.30 am	Christmas Day
Thur 9.30am	The Doherty Family
Fri 9.30am	The O'Keefe Family
Sat 9.30am	Dan & Christina O'Sullivan & Family, Minish
Sun 11.00am	Jack Casey, Cummeen

CHURCH OF THE HOLY SPIRIT MUCKROSS

Sun 9.30am	Dan Looney, Coolies & Tim Looney, Kippagh, Glenflesk & Mayo Bridge, Co. Down
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BAPTISMS: Welcome to

Conor Sean Buckley, Coolies, Muckross
Ethan Thomas Langan, Park Road
Sammy Denis Harrington, Hazelwood Drive

DEATHS: *Please Pray for ...* Mary Johnston, Rookery Rd, Ballycasheen
Norrie Buxton (Née O'Sullivan), Inch House, New Street & London
Michael O'Sullivan, Surrey & Late of Clohane, Headford
Michael Battles, Hazelwood Drive & St. Mary of the Angels, Beaufort
Jacinta Bowler Cordner, Lackabane Village, Fossa
Seán Conway, Deerpark Crescent & Tournanagh, Gneeveguilla
Catherine Byrnes, Kanturk

MARRIAGES: Congratulations to ...

Siobhan Duggan, Tiernaboul & Eoghan O'Donovan, Bandon, Co. Cork

CHRISTMAS MASSES

St. Mary's Cathedral

Christmas Eve: Tues 6.15pm Vigil (Children's Mass),
12 Midnight Solemn Concelebrated Mass

Christmas Day: Wed 8am, 10.30am & 12 Noon

Church of the Resurrection

Christmas Eve: Tues 6pm (Children's Mass)

Christmas Day Wed 11am

Church of the Holy Spirit, Muckross

Christmas Eve: Tues 9pm **Christmas Day:** Wed 9.30am

Franciscan Friary

Christmas Eve: Tues 9pm

Christmas Day: Wed 8.30am, 10am & 11.30am

CHRISTMAS CONFESSIONS

St Mary's Cathedral

Mon 23rd 11am-1pm; Tue 24th 11am-1pm & 2pm-4pm

Franciscan Friary Confessions in the Friary Mon & Tue at 10.30-12.30pm & 3pm—5pm

EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT—Tue 10am-3pm in the Church of the Resurrection. Please note that there will not be Exposition this week in the Cathedral or in Muckross Church due to Christmas celebrations.

CHRISTMAS OFFERINGS ENVELOPES for the support of the priests of the parish are available at the newsletter tables. These can be handed into the parish office or at the second collection at our Christmas Masses. As you know, the usual offertory collection at Mass go entirely to the running and upkeep of the parish Cathedral, Churches and office, while the income for the priests come from offerings and dues at Christmas, Easter, Spring, Autumn and November, as well as offerings at the sacraments. Thanks for your continued support for the priests of the parish throughout the year.

RED ENVELOPE COLLECTION for the Cathedral Renovation Fund will be taken up next weekend 28th Dec /29th Dec .

WELCOME to Everlyne Sally Mitto, Gladys Miteshasi, and Agnes Zibaitiene, 3 adults who have been received into the Catholic Church. Special thanks to the Killarney Legion of Mary and their spiritual director Fr Derek O'Connell for journeying in faith with them.

Christmas Messgae from Bishop Ray

God is real, the creator and the sustainer of all that there is. The heart of Christmas is to simply gaze at a crib, gazing until we sense that the scene points to the presence of God, to the meaning of all life, to the life's journey of each one of us.

God is love. God never stops loving each one of us. God knows and sees goodness in each one of us. God's mercy is ever there for us, a mercy that supports us amid life's difficulties, a mercy that gladly forgives us when we do wrong. All are of the one family of God: young and old, rich and poor, citizen and immigrant.

The birth of Jesus was all about simplicity. There was no room at the inn, but the stable was offered and it was made comfortable for them. Baby Jesus was born safely. Neighbours and strangers, the shepherds and the wise men, visited and brought loving companionship and gifts. The Holy Family were joyful and, the angels rejoiced too.

Christ shares with us his great secret of simplicity. Living simply is living well. Living simply gives hope for the good care of the environment. Christmas excess ultimately does not satisfy. The heart of Christmas is helping anyone who is in difficulty, helping the sad and the lonely, helping the poor and the needy, as the innkeeper and the shepherds helped. The heart of Christmas is HOPE in God's goodness and love and offer of salvation, - a HOPE that leads us to sing with the angels:

Glory to God in the highest heaven,
and peace to all who enjoy his favour". Luke 2:14

Celebrate Christmas at home with family, celebrate Christmas by visiting friends and neighbours, and celebrate Christmas with your parish by joining in the celebration of the Christmas Day and Sunday Masses. Have time for God this Christmas.

A word of appreciation and thanks to everyone for your participation in your parish and in your community in the past year. A Christmas blessing of joy and peace on one and all. Nollaig shona dhíobh go léir. (For the full text of + Ray's message go to www.dioceseofkerry.ie.)

PARISH OFFICE will close on Mon 23rd Dec and reopen Mon 6th Jan @ 10am. As always for a priest in emergency ring 087 6501998.

SENIOR ALERT SCHEME: A pendant alarm is available for landline or mobile. For more contact Family Carers Ireland 065 6893690

KILLARNEY MEMORY TREE at Holy Cross Mercy School New Rd will remain lighting until Jan 6th, remembering those who have died.

ANNUAL GOAL MILE Christmas Day at the Deenagh Lodge, Knockreer between 10.30 am to 12.30 .

NEW CEMETERY GRAVEYARD CHRISTMAS WREATH BLESSING: Sun 22nd Dec 2pm. All are invited to attend and to bring along Christmas Wreaths or flowers for blessing.

Wishing you the Lord's blessing of peace and joy, and may we have the faith to reach out with the love of Christ to others in need. Bishop Ray, Fr Kieran, Fr Jim, & Fr Niall