



*St. Colman's Parish*  
*29<sup>th</sup> Sunday*  
*in Ordinary Time*  
*15<sup>th</sup> /16<sup>th</sup> October 2022*

**Gideon's experiment with prayer:**

Many years ago a man named Dalton suggested that the prayer of petition should be put to the test. One-half of England, he said, should pray for rain and then compare the rainfall with the other half who did not pray for rain. He was not, in fact, the first believer with a flair for experimentation. In the Book of Judges, Gideon said to God, *"If you really mean to deliver Israel by my hand, as you have declared, see now, I spread out a fleece. If there is dew only on the fleece and all the ground is left dry, then I shall know."* Gideon had the mind of a true experimenter. The following night he reversed his experiment to test God a second time. He prayed, *"Do not be angry with me if I speak once again.... Let the fleece alone be dry and let there be dew on the ground all around it"* (Jdgs 6:36-40). Prayer isn't just a way of getting what we want, but some people go to the opposite extreme of never asking God for anything (while having no problem with the prayer of praise, thanks, and so on). If it makes sense to thank God for something, it must make sense to ask God for it and to persevere in that prayer as Jesus proposes in today's Gospel.

This week's scripture readings are mainly about prayer — perseverance in prayer, constancy in prayer and trust in God as we pray. They are also about the Trustworthiness and Justice of God, the type of Justice that reaches out to the poor and the weak, enabling them to fight against injustice.

The parable of the unjust judge and the persistent widow in the Gospel, Jesus emphasises the *"necessity of praying always and not losing heart."* Constancy in prayer is Faith in action. Jesus presents the widow in today's Gospel as a model of the trust and tenacity with which his disciples are to pray. The widow was asking for something which God would certainly want for her — justice.

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**Recent Death: Please pray for,**  
**Margaret Deane (nee O' Shea), Camp/Listry**

**Baptisms: We welcome into our Christian community:**  
**Caoimhe Hobbins, Slievegaura**  
**Alex Byron Mangan Callinafercy**  
**Katie Blennerhassett, Culleeney Beg**

**Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament takes place every Friday in  
 Milltown Church from 5:00p.m. -7:00p.m.**

*Masses & Intentions*

Mon. Oct. 17 <sup>th</sup>			<i>No Mass</i>
Tues. Oct. 18 <sup>th</sup>	Listry	7:00 p.m.	<i>Enrolment Ceremony First Holy Communion children of Faha School</i>
Wed. Oct. 19 <sup>th</sup>	Milltown	10:00 a.m.	
Thurs Oct. 20 <sup>th</sup>			<i>No Mass</i>
Fri. Oct. 21 <sup>st</sup>	Milltown	7:00 p.m.	<i>Billy Kerins Castlemaine Road</i>
Sat. Oct. 22 <sup>nd</sup>	Listry	6:00 p.m.	<i>Pat Healy Rockfield</i>
Sun. Oct. 23 <sup>rd</sup>	Milltown	11:15 a.m.	<i>John &amp; Billy Mangan Killarney Road</i>

**Eucharistic Ministers**

**Listry Saturday Oct. 22<sup>nd</sup>** Eamon Donnelly  
**Milltown Sunday Oct. 23<sup>rd</sup>** Dorothy Casey

**Readers**

**Listry Saturday Oct. 22<sup>nd</sup>** Sinead O' Donnell  
**Milltown Sunday Oct. 23<sup>rd</sup>** Ann Jennings

***Weekend's collection - €765***  
***Thank you for your generous support***

**Flower Arranger:** Breege O' Sullivan - 15<sup>th</sup> October – 28<sup>th</sup> October

**World Mission Sunday Collection – October 22/23**

It is the Holy Father's annual appeal to support missionaries. A collection will be taken up at all Masses on the weekend of October 22/23. Your generosity means that missionaries can continue to share the love of God with some of the world's most marginalised and vulnerable people.

**Annual Mass at Poll an Aifrinn:** The Mass Rock, Keelacloghane Woods, will be celebrated on Sunday October 23<sup>rd</sup> at 3pm (weather permitting) otherwise in Milltown church. All are welcome.

**Celebrate Mission Month:** join in the **Mission Month Webinar** with key speaker Fr. Liam O'Callaghan SSC, a Columban priest who has spent most of his missionary life in Pakistan. The online seminar is an initiative of the Diocesan Justice Peace and the Integrity of Creation committee. To register for the online seminar, go to [www.dioceseofkerry.ie](http://www.dioceseofkerry.ie)

**Diocesan Vacancies:** The Diocese of Kerry invites applications from suitably qualified persons for the following positions on the Diocesan Pastoral Team: 1. The role of Diocesan Advisor for Primary Religious Education, and 2. The role of Diocesan Pastoral Development Worker. Closing Date for applications is Oct 21<sup>st</sup>, 2022. [www.dioceseofkerry.ie](http://www.dioceseofkerry.ie)

**Invitation to Medjugorje Mass:** People who have been on pilgrimage to Medjugorje or who are thinking of going there, are invited to Sunday Mass in the Sacred Heart Church, Milltown on Sunday October 30<sup>th</sup> at 11:15a.m. We will be happy if you can join us.

**Recovery Haven Kerry:** would like to invite you and your families to join them for cuppa at the day care centre, Killorglin on the 20<sup>th</sup> of Oct. from 10.30am - 1pm. Come and learn about the free services.

**Siamsa Tíre:** presents Cultúr on Friday 28<sup>th</sup> October at 8pm Join the National Folk Theatre Choir and friends for a night of music, song, and dance. Tickets: €16/14. Call (066)7123055.

**Social Badminton for Adults** takes place in the Nagle Rice Community Hall, Milltown on Wednes. from 9pm -to 10pm. All welcome.

**Maine Valley Resource Centre:** Kerry Mental Health & Wellbeing FEST is now underway, offering a huge variety of free events. To register <https://kerrymentalhealthandwellbeingfest.com/> KETB are offering community courses, <https://www.fetchcourses.ie/> search for Castlemaine

## *Prayer*

I am neither a man of letters nor of science,  
But I humbly claim to be a man of prayer.  
It is prayer that has saved my life.  
Without it I would have lost  
my reason long ago.  
If I did not lose my peace of soul,  
In the midst of my many trials,  
It is because of the peace that  
came to me through prayer.  
One can live several days without food,  
But not without prayer.  
Prayer is the key to each morning,  
And the lock to each evening.  
It is a sacred alliance between God and us.  
Let everyone try this experience  
and they will find  
that daily prayer  
will add something new to their lives,  
something which cannot be found elsewhere.

*Mahatma Gandhi*

### **Killorglin Pastoral Area**

#### **Priest on Duty this Sunday:**

**Fr. Kevin Sullivan (087) 6277638**

*In an emergency always ring your own Priest first  
If he is unavailable, please ring the following:*

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**Tuesday:** Fr. Kieran O' Sullivan (087) 2432155

**Wednesday:** Fr. Fergal Ryan (087) 2408540

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