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ST MARY’S PARISH NEWSLETTER - TARBERT

**Parish Office Opening Hours:**

**Mon. 10.30am -2.30pm. Wed. 10.30am-1.30pm Priests :**

**Fri. 10.30am-2.30pm Phone ; 068-36111.** **Fr. Sean Hanafin 087-8341083**

### Email: [tarbert@dioceseofkerry.ie](mailto:tarbert@dioceseofkerry.ie) Fr. Michael Hussey 087-2386084

**Notices for Parish Newsletter have to be in on Safeguarding Children: 087-6362780 Wednesday by 12 Noon. Defib. Emergency No. 999 or 112**

**Webpage: www.stmarystarbert.com (Outside Surgery Hours)**

**First Sunday of Advent, 3rd December 2023**

**R.I.P. Sheila O’ Connor (née Carmody), Main St. Seán Donovan, Loughill / Tieraclea.**

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| **Day/Date** | **Time** | **Intention** |
| ***Saturday 2nd*** | ***6pm*** | ***Yvonne Costelloe, Tieraclea.***  ***Gerald Stack, Dooncaha.***  ***Jeremiah O’ Connor and Joe and Michael Sheahan,***  ***Sallowglen / Glin.*** |
| ***Sunday 3rd*** | ***11.30am*** | ***Stephen, Margaret, Michael and John Denihan,***  ***Dooncaha.*** |
| ***Monday 4th*** | ***10am*** | ***Mass in Tarbert.***  ***Gerald, Christina and Cornelius Histon, Tarbert Island.*** |
| ***Tuesday 5th*** | ***7pm*** | ***Mass in Ballylongford.*** |
| ***Wednesday 6th*** | ***\_\_\_\_\_\_*** | ***No Mass.*** |
| ***Thursday 7th*** | ***10am*** | ***Mass in Asdee.*** |
| ***Friday 8th***  ***Holy Day.*** | ***7pm*** | ***Mass in Tarbert.***  ***Immaculate Conception.***  ***Private Intention.*** |
| ***Saturday 9th*** | ***6pm*** | ***Phil Buckley and Timmy Horgan, Coolnanoonagh***  ***and Michael and Thomas O’ Connor, Ardmore.*** |
| ***Sunday 10th*** | ***11.30am*** | ***William and Jane Coolahan and***  ***Deceased Coolahan Family Members, Main St.*** |

**PRIEST ON DUTY THIS WEEKEND*:* Fr. Michael Hussey 087-2386084.**

**PARISH OFFERTORY COLLECTION**  November - € 3,141 Maintenance Fund - € 460 Online Banking - € 290

Diocesan Collection - € 262 Donation - € 200 Míle Buíochas.

**DIOCESAN COLLECTION** - for the Diocesan Youth Service will be held this weekend Sat. 2nd / Sun. 3rd Dec.

**LIVE SERVICES** – All Masses are now being live streamed from our Church. Just go to the Church website – www.stmarystarbert.com and you can watch on your phone, tablet, computer or smart T.V. When you log in and see the picture of the Altar, just underneath this, click on the mute button and you will then have the audio as well.

**Blessing of the Advent Wreath**

**Lord God,**

**Your Church joyfully awaits the coming of its Savior,**

**who enlightens our hearts**

**and dispels the darkness of ignorance and sin.**

**Pour forth your blessings upon us**

**as we light the candles of this wreath ;**

**may their light reflect the splendour of Christ,**

**who is Lord, for ever and ever. Amen.**

**TARBERT BINGO** – The committee have decided to host monthly Bingo on the first Wed. of each month at the new time of 8pm. Prizes will be in line with attendance. Your support would be greatly appreciated. All are welcome.

**TARBERT ACTIVE RETIREMENT GROUP** – (over 55’s) meet in Tarbert Bridewell every Friday between 10.30am and 12 Noon. We have different activities every week followed by refreshments. New Members are welcome.

**KERRY HOSPICE CHRISTMAS CARDS** – are now available at the Tarbert Bridewell. 10 cards for €7.

**WEBINAR – SHAPING THE FUTURE OF PARISHES** - The Diocese of Kerry will host a webinar, “Moving Forward in Hope – shaping together a future for our local church communities, parishes and pastoral areas” on this Monday, November 27th at 7.30pm. The speaker, Dr Jessie Rogers, will explore God’s call to us as Church today. This will prepare us for parish meetings to be held throughout the diocese in February 2024, where we will plan together for the future of our parishes. To register, [www.dioceseofkerry.ie](http://www.dioceseofkerry.ie/)

**TOTUS TUUS MAGAZINE** - is a Catholic magazine, full of articles from Irish priests and laity, which aims to highlight the beauty and joy of our faith. It is going into its 7th year and is run by donations. If you haven't come across the Totus Tuus Magazine and would like a free copy please contact Fiona Kiely on 086-8760058.

**CHRISTMAS CAROLS AND POETRY** - Mary Culloty O’ Sullivan presents an evening of Carols and Poetry in the Listowel Arms Hotel on Wednesday 6th December at 7.30pm. Special guests are the North Kerry Community Choir. Entry is free. Donations and raffle will be in aid of Recovery Haven Cancer Support Services.

**PARKINSON’S IRELAND KERRY BRANCHES** - will host an information event on next Thursday, 30th of November in the Meadowlands Hotel, Oakpark, Tralee from 6.30pm to 8pm. This is a free event open to people affected by Parkinson’s, their families, friends and wider community. For full list of speakers log onto: <https://www.parkinsons.ie/kerry-information-event/>

**THANK YOU -** for your continuing support and financial donations that underpin the smooth running of St. Mary’s Parish Church. Please continue to donate what you can on a weekly basis at any of our Masses on Friday, Saturday, Sunday or Monday. Donations can also be made by bank transfer – our bank details are as follows :

IBAN No- IE76 AIBK 9354 3380 3050 83, Account Name – Tarbert Church Account,

**Priest’s Account** – IBAN No – IE66 AIBK 9354 3380 3051 66, Account Name – Fraternal Account,

Bank - AIB, The Square, Listowel, Co. Kerry.

Thanking you on behalf of the Finance Committee,

John McMonagle (Chairperson), Fr. Sean Hanafin, Mary Holland, Kitty Kelly, Amanda O’Sullivan,

Seamus Enright, Declan Downey, Gabriel McNamara and Paddy Creedon.