## Stations of the Cross

<u>Holy Hour</u> - 'Meditations on the Stations of the Cross on the theme of forgiveness in <u>St.</u> <u>Mary's Church, Castlegregory on</u> <u>Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> March @ 7.30pm</u> Candlelight Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, prayerful meditations and hymns. This will replace the unusual Adoration on Wednesdays for this week.

Pilgrimage to Assisi and San Giovanni, from Cork Airport, June 24<sup>th</sup> to July 1<sup>st</sup>, 2024. More Information from Ann Fehan 087-2738103 or Fr Eoghan Ó Cadhla at 066-9156131.

Kerry Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes with Assisted pilgrims will take place August 29<sup>th</sup> to September 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2024.

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Kerry Diocesan Pilgrimage to Fatima, led by Fr Noel Spring. 5 nights May 10<sup>th</sup> – 15<sup>th</sup>. Contact Maureen on 7131328.

**The Legion of Mary in the Diocese** is having their annual Consecration to Our Blessed Lady on Sunday March 24th at 3 p.m. This will be held at the Prince of Peace Church in Fossa. All are welcome to attend.

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Senior Citizen lunches in the Clubrooms every Tuesday @ 12.45pm. New members are always welcome. Community Council - Fashion Show on Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> March @ 7.30pm with drinks reception.

St. Patrick's Day Parade @ 3pm – Meet at Castle NS @ 2.30pm

Tidy Towns Coffee morning and plant sale – Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> March.

**Recovery Haven Kerry** ( Cancer Support House) will host FRFF а Lymphoedema Awareness Talk with UHK Physiotherapists Mary Hickey & Keira O'Brien on WEDNESDAY, MARCH 27th at 7pm. As many of you will be aware, Lymphoedema can often be associated with cancer and cancer treatment. In an effort to help you learn about the condition and get expert advice on how to manage and treat symptoms, For more information or to book your place contact on on 066 7192122 or email: us reception@recoveryhavekerry.com 

## Lá Fhéile Pádraig!

Christ with me, Christ before me, Christ behind me, Christ in me, Christ beneath me, Christ above me, Christ on my right, Christ on my left, Christ when I lie down. Christ when I sit down. Christ when I arise. Christ in the heart of every man who thinks of me. Christ in the mouth of everyone who speaks of me, Christ in every eye that sees me, Christ in every ear that hears me.

# Parish Life Newsletter

17th March 2024 Fifth Sunday of Lent Year B – St Patrick's Day



*St Therese of Lisieux* 

"For me, prayer is a burst from my heart, it is a simple glance thrown toward heaven, a cry of thanksgiving and love in times of trial as well as in times of joy."

#### **Office Hours**

Mondays & Holy Days – Closed Tuesdays – 11.00am to 3.00pm Wednesdays – 11.00am to 4.00pm <u>Thursday – Working from home text or</u> <u>phone mobile number 087 1438060</u> <u>between 11.00am to 4.30pm</u> Friday – 11am to 4.30pm. Closed 1pm to 1.30pm for lunch. Weekend Mass Times St. Mary's Castlegregory Sunday 11.30am St. Brendan's Cloghane Saturday Vigil 6.15pm (alternating with St. Mary's Camp) (see newsletter)

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Parish Secretary Bernie Dowling



St. Mary's – First Fridays after 7.00pm Mass St. Brendan's – Tuesdays closest to First Fridays after the 7.00pm

#### **Daily Parish Eucharistic Adoration**

#### St. Mary's

Monday – 10.00am to 11.00am Wednesday - 10.00am to 11.00am and 5pm to 9pm Friday – 10.00am to 11.00am Sunday – 12.20 (after Mass) 1.20pm



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#### St. Brendan's

Tuesday – 11.15am to 12.15pm Thursday – 2.00pm to 3.00pm Saturday – 11.15am to 12.15pm Sunday – 9.15am to 10.15am Week beginning 17th March 2024 Fifth Sunday of Lent Year B St. Patrick's Day



This Sunday's Gospel according to John is being read just a week before Palm Sunday which begins the week of Jesus' passion and death. In today's gospel Jesus speaks about his suffering and death and resurrection and what this means for us. Jesus had travelled far and wide with his apostles performing miracles and teaching the crowds who followed him. It's no wonder that some people from Greece approached Philip and asked if they could see Jesus. Jesus said "Very truly I tell you unless a grain of wheat falls into the earth and dies, it remains just a single grain, but if it dies it bears much fruit." In Jesus' death He transformed humanity so that all those who believed in Him could enter heaven which was closed to human beings after Adam and Eve's sin. Jesus gave up everything even his own life so

that we might have eternal life. Seeing Jesus is much more than just looking at him, it means embracing all He taught us, accepting our crosses and letting go of the things that hinder our relationship with Jesus. Are we ready to let stuff go so that we will be able to grow closer to Jesus?? Can we see that every cross while painful and scary will give rise to new growth? Jesus praved to his Father when he was facing his crucifixion, so he knows and understands our fears. We can pray to Jesus in our difficult moments in full knowledge and trust of his help. So this Sunday, like the Greeks who asked to see Jesus we realise that seeing Jesus is much more than just looking, it is following Jesus all the way, accepting our crosses as means of coming closer to Jesus and trusting him to grant us happiness and fulfilment in this life.

# Intentions for this weekend

St. Mary's Sunday @ 11.30am Intention: (1) Eileen Goodwin, Kellysheight (2) Mary Bridget Knightly & her husband Michael, Deelis (3) Sheila Kelliher, Fermoyle (4) John Patrick O'Sullivan & his parents

<u>St. Brendan's</u> – Vigil Mass @ 6.15pm – Mass for the people.

#### We Pray For

Paddy Courtney, Strand St. Month's Mind. Eileen Goodwin, Kellysheight Mary Bridget Knightly (anniversary) & her husband Michael, Deelis. Sheila Kelliher, Fermoyle John Patrick O'Sullivan & his parents Helen O'Shea, Tullig 40<sup>th</sup> John Harrington, Cutteen Annivesary. Jack Walsh, Goulane Tim Kileen, his sister Mary Hilliard and deceased family members. \*\*\*\*\* WEEKDAY MASSES ST. MARY'S

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<u>Monday 18th March</u> @ 10.00am <u>Intention:</u> Jack Walsh, Goulane

**<u>Tuesday 19th March</u> (2) 10.00am** <u>**Intention:**</u> Tim Killeen, his sister Mary Hilliard and deceased family members.

<u>Wednesday 20th March</u> – 7.30pm – Adoration Holy Hour with meditative reflections & hymns on the Stations of the Cross (this will replace the other Adoration hours on a Wednesday)

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<u>Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> March @</u>10.00am <u>Private Intention</u> Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> March @ 7.00pm – Intention: Paddy Courtney, Strand St. Month's Mind.

Sunday 24th March @ 11.30am Intention Jamie Wren, his wife Kathleen (Birthday Remembrance) his children, Michael, Marian, Kevin & grandchild Ryan.

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#### St. Brendan's

<u>Tuesday 19th March</u> @ 7.00pm – <u>No Intention</u>

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<u>Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> March</u> – No vigil Mass in St. Brendan's this weekend – Vigil Mass will be in Camp church @ 6.15pm.

**Priest on deanery** duty this Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> March is Fr Eoghan Ó Cadhla 087-6951318.

Preparation evening for Baptism. The next evening will be on Monday 15<sup>th</sup> April @ 7.30pm in the Clubrooms. This preparation is a requirement. Please contact the parish office - 066 7139145. Please note date is changed from 8th April to 15<sup>th</sup> April due to unforeseen circumstances. \*\*\*\*\*

Second Diocesan Collection this Sunday St. Patrick's Day for Emigrant Services.

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