

First Sunday of Lent

Parish of Ardfert

9 March 2025

ST BRENDAN'S CHURCH, ARDFERT & SACRED HEART CHURCH, KILMOYLEY

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Masses for week commencing Sunday 9 March – St Brendan's Church, Ardfert

Sun	11.00 am	Darren Thibeaud, Ardfert (2 nd anniv)
Mon	10.00 am	Dan Murphy, Liscahane, Ardfert (4 th anniv)
Mon	11.00 am – 12 noon	Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament and Benediction
Tues	9.30 am	Michael King, Tubrid, Ardfert
Weds	9.30 am	
Thurs	9.30 am	Mass for All the People of the Parish
Fri	7.00 pm	Maeve Dineen née Crean-Lynch, Annascaul (7 th anniv)
Sat	10.00 am	Donal Molloy, Gorey, Co Wexford and formerly of Dundalk, Co Louth (recently deceased)
Sun	11.00 am	Tony O'Halloran, Sandy Lane, Banna (Month's Mind) and his grandfather James Lyne, Sandy Lane; Tim McCarthy, Ballymacquin, Ardfert (Month's Mind/Birthday Remembrance)

Masses for week commencing Sunday 9 March – Sacred Heart Church, Kilmoyley

Sat	7.00 pm	
Fri	9.30 am	Mass followed by Stations of the Cross
Sat	7.00 pm	Rev Fr Xavier Lovett, Seattle, USA and Kilmoyley (10 th anniv)

- ❖ We welcome into the Christian community babies Tom Paddy Stack and Harry Dan Stack
- ❖ Last Sunday's offertory collection: €1010; Capital Envelope Collection: €565. Go Raibh Maith Agaibh. Diocesan Collection next weekend for **Emigrant Services**.
- ❖ **Ardfert Parish Office** is open on Tuesdays, Thursdays and Fridays from 9.30 am – 1 pm. Tel: 7134131/ email: ardfert@dioceseofkerry.ie.
- ❖ **Congratulations** to the children of sixth class in Ardfert National School and Scoil Naomh Eirc, Kilmoyley who received the Sacrament of Confirmation from Bishop Ray Browne on Thursday. A word of thanks to the parents, sponsors and teachers for making the occasion so special. Thanks also to those who were part of the ceremony and to those who prepared the church and the church grounds for the celebration.
- ❖ Please note earlier **Mass times** this coming week. **Adoration** is on Monday.

- ❖ Fr Pat will pray the Stations of the Cross after Friday morning Masses in Lent.
- ❖ **Trócaire Packs** are available in both churches. They contain the **Trócaire Box** and information on Trócaire's work helping very needy people in the Developing World. We encourage you to take a **Trócaire Pack** home with you and to do your best to support Trócaire this Lent. This year, **Trócaire's Lenten Campaign focuses on Guatemala**, a country which is one of the least responsible for causing the climate crisis, yet is bearing the brunt of the consequences. We tell this story through, Lima, Juli and their family. Find out more at www.trocaire.org.
- ❖ **A Lenten Message from Pope Francis** – copies are available in both churches.
- ❖ **Walk With Me Lenten Booklets for Adults and Children and Lenten Calendars** are available in both churches. Please take one home with you.
- ❖ Please keep **Pope Francis** in your prayers at this time.
- ❖ **LENTE SACRED SPACE in Ardfert church.** You are invited to spend time in prayer and reflection during the Lenten season. Lenten prayers and reflections are available at the Sacred Space for you to take home.
- ❖ **PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL.** The next meeting will be held on Wednesday 19 March at 8 pm in Cúil Mhuire Pastoral Centre.
- ❖ **Parish Offering/Dues Envelopes** can be posted securely through the letterbox of the parish office or put in the box in Ardfert church porch. **Please note:** Cheques should be made payable to **Ardfert Parish** or to **Ardfert-Kilmoyley Capital Fund**. The Parish Finance Council thanks you for your continuing support.
- ❖ **Poor Clares Galway, Monastic Experience Day** for women 18-35. An opportunity to explore and experience Poor Clare life and spirituality. The event will take place from 10am to 5pm on Saturday 15 March. Contact: vocations@poorclares.ie to register. For more information: poorclares.ie/monastic-experience-days
- ❖ **Apostolate of Eucharistic Adoration National Pilgrimage to Knock Shrine 5 and 6 April 2025.** As of now a coach is organised from Killarney. If any Adoration Committee are organising a coach please make contact with Breda: 087 674 2306 or Margaret: 087 297 6304. This being Jubilee Year it is important that Eucharistic Adoration is successful in every parish and nationally. Please check Notice Board for weekend Programme.
- ❖ **IRISH SYNODAL PATHWAY - WHAT ARE THE PRIORITIES?** The Irish Church will be having a Synodal Assembly in October 2026. What should the priorities be for this gathering? Join the discussion through our Spring Gatherings either in person or online during the first half of April. For more information look under Diocesan News on the www.dioceseofkerry.ie website and click on the post about "Spring Gatherings."
- ❖ The parish newsletter is available online at www.dioceseofkerry.ie.