

# CAHIRCIVEEN PARISH NEWSLETTER –21<sup>st</sup> Dec 2025 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Advent

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## Masses and Intentions O'Connell Memorial Church

Sat 20 <sup>th</sup>	6 pm	Msgr Hugh O'Flaherty
Sun 21 <sup>st</sup>	11 30	Seán O'Sè (Kimego), O'Shea family (Canuig & Clahanelinehan), John O'Shea (Valentia Road), Michael O'Driscoll (Gurranereagh), Mary & Noreen McCrohan (New St), Tadgh & Mary McCrohan (Renard), John Foley (Coomdivveen)
Mon 22 <sup>nd</sup>	11 00	Jim & Mary Condon (Limerick)
Tue 23 <sup>rd</sup>	11 00	Patrick Murphy Killurley East (Months Mind), Michael Clifford (Killurley East), Mary Jo & Seán Sheehan (Coars)
Wed 24 <sup>th</sup>	11 00	Special Intention
Wed 24 <sup>th</sup>	7 30	Christmas Vigil
Thur 25 <sup>th</sup>	11 30	Christmas Day
Fri 26 <sup>th</sup>	11 00	Marie & Michael O'Mahony (Valentia Road)
Sat 27 <sup>th</sup>	6 pm	Nora & Timothy O'Sullivan (Teernahilta)
Sun 28 <sup>th</sup>	11 30	Deceased O'Donoghue Family (West Main St), Jim O'Donoghue (Killurley West)

## Remembering our Dead Recent Deaths

John Riordan, Abbeydorney.  
Martin Murphy, Valentia & England.  
Emily O'Sullivan (née McCarthy), New York & Laharn South.  
Rosaleen Flynn (èe Keating), Cloghanecarhan & London.  
Declan Kirby Ballinskelligs  
Richard Halterman, Chicago.

## Months Mind

Patrick Murphy- Mass on Tue 23<sup>rd</sup> at 11 am.

## Anniversaries

Seán O'Sè, O'Shea families, John O'Shea, Michael O'Driscoll, Mary & Noreen McCrohan, Tadgh & Mary McCrohan, John Foley, Jim & Mary Condon, Michael Clifford, Mary Jo & Seán Sheehan, Marie & Michael O'Mahony, Kate O'Donovan, Batt Walsh, Mary & Maurice O'Shea, Mary Grady, Timothy O'Sullivan.

## Foilmore:

Sun 21<sup>st</sup> 10 am Kate O'Donovan (Kells & Dunmanway)

## Foilmore:

Thurs 25<sup>th</sup> 10 am Parishioners

## Aghatubrid:

Thurs 25<sup>th</sup>: 10 am Parishioners

Sun 28<sup>th</sup>; 10am Jerry & Eileen Lynch & deceased Lynch & Fogarty families (Derreen)

## Offertory Collection: €2,625. Thanks to all. Special Collection: Christmas Eve and

**Christmas Day:** This collection is towards the current restoration works which are ongoing.

This collection is an opportunity to our visitors and those, home on holidays to support the project. So it is not intended to add any further burden on the many parishioners who have been so supportive throughout the year. We thank you for your generosity.

**Baptism:** With great joy we welcome into the Christin Community Abigail O'Shea, Clahanelinehan who was baptised recently.

## Christmas Message 2025!

As we celebrate the joyful season of Christmas, I wish to extend my sincere thanks to all our parishioners for your dedication, cooperation, and continued support throughout the past year.

2025 has been a significant year for our parish, particularly with the closure of The O'Connell Memorial Church in Cahersiveen for six months due to major refurbishment works. While this presented challenges, your patience, understanding, and goodwill were evident at every stage. During this time, we were blessed to celebrate Mass in Aghatubrid & Foilmore Churches and in the Nun's Chapel, and I am deeply grateful to all who helped ensure that parish life continued so smoothly.

Our parish is truly enriched by the generosity of our many volunteers. I wish to acknowledge and thank all who give so freely of their time and talents in so many ways — in liturgy, music, maintenance, fundraising, administration, and quiet acts of service that often go unseen. Your commitment is a living expression of faith in action. As we rejoice in the birth of Christ, may this holy season bring peace, hope, and renewed faith to every home and family in our parish. I wish you all a very happy and blessed Christmas, and every blessing for the New Year.

*Beannachtaí an Linbh Íosa oraibh go léir*

*Fr. Larry*

**Monsignor Hugh O'Flaherty – Centenary of his ordination.** Monsignor O'Flaherty was one of the world's greatest humanitarians. He was ordained to the priesthood on the 20th of Dec 1925. To mark this special centenary, An Post has issued a commemorative stamp, and there is an exhibition about his life in Killarney Library, which is open to the public up to the 17th of January. Monsignor O'Flaherty was born in Kiskeam, and he grew up in Killarney. After many years of service in Rome, and his heroic life-saving work during World War II, he retired to Cahersiveen. He is interred in Cahersiveen Church Grounds. A commemorative Mass will be celebrated in Cahersiveen Church, at 6pm on Saturday, the 20th of Dec.