

Castlemaine Parish– 22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time 30th August 2026

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Sat 29 th August	Keel	7:30 pm	Mary & Michael Cahillane, Gortaleen
Sun 30 th August	Kiltallagh	10:00 am	Peter Hill, Castlemaine & UK
Tue 1 st Sept.	Keel	10:00 am	
Friday 4 th Sept.	Kiltallagh	6:00 pm	First Friday Mass
Sat 5 th Sept.	Keel	7:30 pm	Alice Clifford, Gortaleen
Sun 6 th Sept.	Kiltallagh	10:00 am	Mary Ann Keane, Annagh

*Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament takes place every Monday in
St Gobnait's Church, Keel from 11am – 7pm*

Priest on Duty: Fr Kevin Sullivan 087 6277638

- **Offertory collection:** weekend 15th/16th August €641.00 and weekend 22nd/23rd August : €762.00 *Mile Buíochas*
- **Second Collection:** next weekend 5th/6th September will be for the Diocesan Needs.

- **Study Theology Online:** The Priory Institute provides online Theology courses to degree level. Attend Saturday lectures in Tallaght or from the comfort of your own home. Register www.prioryinstitute.com
- **Citizen's Information Service** offers a Free, and Confidential Service providing you with Information, Advice and Advocacy in Caherciveen CIC in the Library building. Tel: 0818 07 7780 or email: caherciveen@citinfo.ie
- **Legion of Mary annual pilgrimage to Knock:** on Sunday 27th September. The bus leaves at 6.30 a.m. from the Church of the Resurrection, Killarney. Stops in Farranfore and Castleisland. €30 Pat 086 8510423 for booking.
- **Kerry Education and Training Board** are offering free classes in Tralee in computer skills, word processing and literacy through driver theory; starting mid-September. Phone Ed on 086 074 9786 to apply.

Identity

Anxiety about identity may well be seen in the future as one of the defining characteristics of our own age.

In the gospel today Jesus raises the question of his own identity with his disciples. When Peter replies, his response identifies not so much who Jesus is in himself, but who Jesus is for others. He is the Christ, the One who brings the presence of God to others, brings healing to what is fractured, hope to that which is lost, purpose to that which is confused. Peter knew Jesus was the Christ, because he had seen the way Jesus lived beyond his own self-regard, and his own self-concern.

And so, the irony of the gospel is that Peter knew who Jesus was precisely because Jesus was not concerned about his identity, but rather about who he could be for others.

Ministers of The Eucharist		
Keel	5 th September	Marie Prendergast & David Flahive
Kiltallagh	6 th September	Margaret Moriarty & Colm Lynch
Readers		
Keel	5 th September	Family Readers
Kiltallagh	6 th September	Ashling O'Neill
Altar Society		
Keel	5 th September	Mary Foley
Kiltallagh	6 th September	Breda O'Sullivan
Offertory Collectors		
Keel	September	Keith McGuigan & David Flahive
Kiltallagh	September	William Burke & John Quirke