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SPA PARISH CHURCHILL/FENIT

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CHURCHILL - FENIT

Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

10th/11th October 2026

EMERGENCY CALLS: Saturday & Sunday will be covered by the priests of the Tralee Pastoral Area (St. John's, Our Lady & St. Brendan's & Spa).

The priest on duty this weekend (10th/11th October) is Fr. Bernard Healy. Phone: 087 2069656.

The priest on duty next weekend (17th/18th October) is Fr. Mark Moriarty. Phone: 087 2069656.

Masses streamed live on spaparish@dioceseofkerry.ie
 Click on Churchill or Fenit Church



Please pray for all who died recently:

And also for all those whose anniversaries occur at this time.

ADORATION OF THE MOST BLESSED SACRAMENT

Tuesday in Fenit Church from 10.30am until 12 noon. Rosary 9.45am.

Thursday in Churchill Church from 3.00pm until 7.15pm with Benediction before evening Mass.



MESSAGE FROM FR. FRANCIS.

A Cháirde, wishing you well.

VOCATIONS: During the month of October we are asked by the Diocese to pray for vocations, especially to the priesthood in the Diocese of Kerry.

As you well know we are slowly decreasing in number. At the moment also, we have a number of priests who are out sick which is placing even greater pressure. I ask you to please pray also for our priests who are unwell at this time.

Opposite, you will see the Diocese of Kerry Prayer for Vocations which I invite you to say privately or as a family. We will also pray for vocations at all Masses in our Churches over the month. There are Vocation brochures also available at the back of the Churches which I ask you to take and read. From the brochures you will see that the whole process in the promotion of vocations within the diocese is being place under the inspiration of St. Brendan. This has a special significance for our parish - the homeland of St. Brendan. In this parish in particular, we place all our efforts for the promotion of vocations under his direction and inspiration.

I believe that Adoration before the Blessed Sacrament is another powerful way of praying for vocations. I invite you to give some time before the Lord during this month. Once again, I thank you for the time many of you give to Adoration each week. I encourage more to come if even for a short time on Tuesday in Fenit or Thursdays in Churchill.

If you ever feel a need to discuss about becoming a priest, please make contact with me and I will direct and guide as much as possible. As regards my own calling, I recall wanting to be a priest from a very young age and was lucky I found someone to guide me and share that calling with me. Otherwise, the whole idea could have disappeared. As parents, I ask you to try to encourage vocations to the priesthood for the Kerry diocese. I know that this can be challenging for parents in these uncertain times. Overall, priesthood is still a WONDERFUL LIFE AND CAREER and working and ministering in Kerry as a priest has many advantages including closeness to family, relatives and friends.

DO THIS IN MEMORY PROGRAMME: The 'Do this in Memory' programme for First Holy Communion children commences this weekend. We ask God's blessing on the journey ahead for our children and their parents preparing for First Holy Communion. The Parish Confirmation programme commences next weekend, 17th/18th October.

God Bless, Fr. Francis.

DIOCESAN PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS

Heavenly Father, You call each of us by name and invite us to follow Your Son with generous hearts. Pour out Your Holy Spirit upon our Diocese of Kerry, that young people may encounter Christ and have the courage to answer Your call.

Raise up holy priests to proclaim Your Word, celebrate the Eucharist with joy, and serve Your people with humble love. Strengthened those already called to be faithful witnesses to the Gospel.

Through the prayers of Mary, Mother of the Church, and St. Brendan, our Patron Saint, bless our Diocese with joyful and generous vocations to the priesthood, for the glory of Your name and the life of the world.

We ask this Christ our Lord.
 Amen.

PARISH CHRISTMAS CAROL SERVICE

Takes place in Churchill Church on Sunday, 13th December at 6.00pm. We encourage all parish groups, committees etc to participate in this year's Carol Service.

DIOCESAN MISSION MONTH TALK:

Join Zoom on Thursday 15 October at 7.30 pm for a Mission Month talk with Fr Michael Kelly, Director of Missio Ireland, and Miriam Hanlon from Asdeo, who volunteered in East Africa. They will share their experiences of mission work.

To register visit www.dioceseofkerry.ie

RESTART A HEART EVENT: We are looking to make 'the chain stronger' by community CPR heart training and awareness. Visit CPR & AED awareness day on Saturday next, 17th October at the Manor Shopping Centre, Tralee between 12 noon and 4.00pm.

SUPPORT HELPLINES: SAMARITANS Tel: 116 123
 PIETA HOUSE KERRY (24 hr line) 1800 247 247

SCHEDULE OF MASSES THIS WEEKEND & COMING WEEK

Saturday 10th Oct.	7.30pm	Churchill	Brendan & Betty O'Brien, The Spa, (anniversaries).
Sunday 11th Oct.	9.30am	Fenit	Mary Ryan, Fenit, (1st anniversary).
	11.30am	Churchill	Margaret Reale, Baltygarron, (30th anniversary) and remembrance of deceased family members.
Monday 12th Oct.	10.00am	Fenit	Special Intention.
Tuesday 13th Oct.	10.00am	Fenit	Special Intention.
Thursday 15th Oct.	7.30pm	Churchill	Michael Moriarty, Fenit (anniversary) and remembrance of his wife, Eileen.
Friday 16th Oct.			NOTE: No 7.30pm Mass in Churchill Church this evening.
Saturday 17th Oct.	7.30pm	Churchill	Liam Stack, (6th anniversary) and his wife, Cathy Stack, (7th anniversary), Shanakill, Tralee.
Sunday 18th Oct.	9.30am	Fenit	Deceased members of the Ferris Family, Ballyea.
	11.30am	Churchill	Alfred Switzer, St. Brendan's Park, Tralee, (anniversary).

PARISH COLLECTION: 3rd/4th October 2026: €1,861.17 (Offertory & Envelopes €1,083.64, Shrines €402.53 and Priests Income €375.00). Sincere thanks for your support of the Parish. Mile Buióchas.



MISSION SUNDAY:

Next Sunday, 18th October, is Mission Sunday. A special Mission Collection will be taken up at all Masses. Your support is greatly appreciated.

HOSPICE COFFEE MORNING: A coffee morning in aid of the Kerry Hospice will be held in the home of Seán and Anne Brick, Barrow on Friday next, 16th October, all day. All are invited to come along and support this great cause.

MASS CARDS: Mass Bouquet Cards, Sympathy, Get well and general Mass Bouquet Cards signed by Fr. Francis are available in the Gala Shop, Fenit and also from Anne Daughton, Sacristan, Churchill.

TOM CROWLEY MEMORIAL TABLE QUIZ: Takes place on Thursday 5th November in the Oyster Tavern at 8.00pm. Table of five - €50.00. Lots of valuable raffle prizes and entertainment. All welcome to participate. All proceeds in aid of the Kerry Hospice Foundation. Donations also welcome and may be made online at www.tomcrowleyquiz.ie

USED STAMPS IN AID OF THE MISSIONS: Can be given to Anne Daughton, Sacristan.