29th Sunday in Ordinary Time (Mission Sunday) *Parish of Ardfert* *18 October 2026*

ST BRENDAN'S CHURCH, ARDFERT & SACRED HEART CHURCH, KILMOYLEY
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Masses for week commencing Sunday 18 October – St Brendan's Church, Ardfert

Sun	11.00 am	Liam O'Connor, East Commons, Ardfert and Banemore, Kilmoyley (1st anniv); Hannah Fitzgerald, Banna Road; Patrick O'Driscoll, Casement View (7th anniv) and Frank Kissane, Tralee Road, Ardfert
Mon	10.00 am	
Tues	10.00 am	
Tues	**11.00 am – 12 noon**	Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament and Benediction
Weds	**7.00 pm**	**Padre Pio Evening of Devotions** - Mass for All the People of the Parish
Thurs	10.00 am	
Fri	**10.00 am**	
Sat	10.00 am	Baby Mabel Bessie Mulvihill, Slí na Spéire, Listowel (Month's Mind)
Sun	11.00 am	Sr Mary Josephine Stack, Hertfordshire, England and formerly of Banna (15th anniv); Michael O'Brien, Station Road, Ardfert (8th anniv); Frank Wallace, Church Street, Ardfert (5th anniv); Denis and Bill Leen, Liscahane and deceased family members

Masses for week commencing Sunday 18 October, Sacred Heart Church, Kilmoyley

Sat	7.00 pm	Eileen Mahony, Banna East, Ardfert (Month's Mind) and her husband Tom (15th anniv); Patrick (Pat) Fitzgerald, Minnesota, USA and Ballinorig, Causeway (2nd anniv), his brother Michael (Mike) Fitzgerald and their parents Sonny & Bridie Fitzgerald
Fri	**7.00 pm**	Catherine & John Griffin, Ballinprior, Peggy & Paddy Casey, Ballyheigue and their son Paudie, Ballyheigue & Abbeydorney
Sat	7.00 pm	Maurice & Mary McElligott, Ballinorig, Causeway and deceased family members

- ***Ardfert Parish Office*** *is open on Tuesdays, Thursdays and Fridays from 9.30 am – 1 pm. Tel: 7134131/ email: ardfert@dioceseofkerry.ie.*
- *The parish newsletter is available online at www.dioceseofkerry.ie.*
- ***Mission Sunday (MISSIO)*** *– there will be a second collection today to support the missions worldwide. Thank you for your generous support.*
- ***Ardfert AA Group*** *–* ***Open Public Meeting*** *at the Grove, Ardfert on Wednesday 28 October at 8.30 pm. All welcome. Refreshments provided. (See posters)*
- ***Parish Offering/Dues Envelopes*** *can be posted securely through the letterbox of the parish office. Please note: Cheques should be made payable to* ***Ardfert Parish*** *or to* ***Ardfert-Kilmoyley Capital Fund****. Thank you, Parish Finance Council.*
- ***October – A Month of Prayer for Priestly Vocations*** *(see leaflets and posters)*
- ***World Mission Sunday – 18 October 2026****. World Mission Sunday, which is celebrated on the second last Sunday of October each year, is the one Sunday of the year when the entire global Church comes together in support of mission. It is the Holy Father's annual appeal for spiritual and financial support so that the life giving work of overseas mission and missionaries can continue. Mission Sunday collections will take place in every single parish worldwide. It is a moment of universal solidarity when each member of the Church family, regardless of location or background, plays their part in supporting each other.*
- ***The Irish Cancer Society - Volunteer Drivers needed in Kerry****. We are seeking compassionate volunteer drivers to join our Transport Team. For details please contact Monica or Emily at volunteer@irishcancer.ie. See posters in churches.*
- ***Priest's Offering Envelopes (Easter, Summer, November Holy Souls and Christmas Collections and Spring and Autumn Station Dues).*** *Fr Pat and the Parish Finance Council would like to thank parishioners for their financial support and a gentle reminder to those who have not yet returned their envelopes to please do so. The suggested donation is €20 for each of the above collections for those who can afford it. Many people choose to give more and this is greatly appreciated.*

Saint John Paull II – Feast Day 22nd October*. Karol Wojtyla, taking the name John Paul II, was pope from 22nd October 1978 until his death on 2nd April 2005. Born in Wadowice, Poland on 18th May 1920, he studied at the seminary in Krakow, was ordained a priest in 1946 and then studied in Rome. After parish work and university chaplaincy he again undertook further studies in philosophy and theology. He was ordained Auxiliary Bishop of Krakow in 1958, in 1964 archbishop, and in 1967 he was created a cardinal. He took part in the Second Vatican Council, making a significant contribution to the drafting of the document* ***Constitution on the Church in the Modern World****. As Bishop of Rome he visited almost all of the Roman parishes and made apostolic journeys to over 100 countries, including Ireland from 29th September to 1st October 1979. He played a major role in the collapse of Communism in Eastern Europe in the late 1980's and early 1990's. He suffered from Parkinson's Disease for many years before his death in 2005. He was beatified on 1st May 2011 and canonized on 27th April 2014, Divine Mercy Sunday. His feast day is observed on the anniversary of his inauguration as Pope on 22nd October 1978.*