



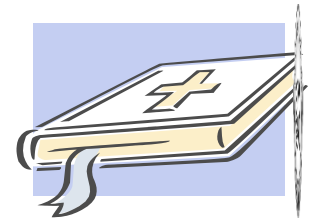
Our Lady & St Brendan's Parish

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Dec. 11th 2022 (Third Sunday of Advent)

PLEASE PRAY FOR:

- * **Ted (Timothy) Breen**, Annagh, Blennerville.
 - * **Thomas Lawlor**, Connolly Park & Liscahane, Ardfert
 - * **Margaret O' Brien (nee Egan)**, Stacks Villas
 - * **Billy Fealy**, Annagh
 - * **Beatrice Sheehy (nee Spring)**, Killeen.
 - * **Helena Coffey**, Rath Oraigh.
- **And all who have died this week and also those whose anniversaries occur at this time. May they rest in peace.**

PRIEST ON DUTY for the Tralee Area this weekend is Fr Padraig Walsh, ☐087 2069656.

PARISH OFFICE: is open Monday to Friday from 9.00am—12.30pm.
For Christmas - The Parish Office will close on Thursday December 22nd at 12.30pm and re-open on Tuesday January 3rd at 9.00am.

RADIO KERRY: Our Parish Mass on Sundays at 10am, will be broadcast live. The 10am Mass on Christmas Day will be broadcast on Radio Kerry.

TELEVISED MASS: on SKY channel 521 or on RTE News Channel, will be broadcast from our church on this Thursday 15th Dec. at 10.30am.

TROCAIRE GIFT VOUCHERS; An ideal Christmas gift! Vouchers for sale at the Parish Office. The vouchers vary from €5, €8, €15, €20, €30, €50, €55, €65 & €100.

SIGNED CHRISTMAS MASS BOUQUET CARDS; are available at the Pastoral Centre.

MERCY MOUNTHAWK CHRISTMAS CAROL SERVICE; in St Brendan's Church Thursday December 15th at 7.30pm. Free event.

CHRISTMAS MASSES

Christmas Eve
4.30pm, 6.30pm, 8.30pm

Christmas Day (Sunday Schedule)
10.00am, 11.15am & 12.30pm

CHRISTMAS CONFESSIONS

Friday Dec 23rd: 6.30pm—7.30pm

KERRY CHORAL UNION CHRISTMAS this Sunday, December 11th at 7.30pm. Tickets available at the door €20.

FLORAL DEMONSTRATION: Award winning floral designer, Kathleen Reidy of Tralee Flower Club, will host a fundraising Gala Christmas floral demonstration at the River Island Hotel, Castleisland, on Thursday Dec 15th at 7.30pm. Admission is €10 (at the door) and all proceeds - including a raffle of all Kathleen's displays on the night - will be donated to Recovery Haven Kerry cancer support house.

FORGING THE DANCE: which was recently published by Fr Pat Ahern, is the story of Ireland's National Folk Theatre. Limited edition copies are on sale in the Parish Office €20 each.

TÍR NA nÓG ORPHANAGE; in Tanzania was founded by Tralee native Louise Quill. If you wish to support their Christmas Appeal, you can support them on-line - <https://tirnanogchildrensfoundation.com/> by making a donation or by using the GO FUND ME page. You can also leave you donation at the Parish Office. Many thanks for your generosity.

JESSE TREE: The Jesse tree represents the family tree of Jesus. Jesse was the father of King David. During Advent we decorate the tree with symbols that tell the stories from the Bible leading to the birth of Jesus. Each Sunday during Advent we will highlight 4 symbols to add to our tree. Many of the stories from the Bible are still relevant to us today.

1. **Sheaf of Grain.** It is the symbol of Ruth who was the grandmother of Jesse who gives his name of the Jesse Tree.
2. **A Crown.** The symbol of King David, one of the greatest Kings of all time.
3. **A Book.** This symbol represents Solomon and his great wisdom.
4. **The scroll** represents Isaiah the prophet who foretold the birth of the Messiah.

INTRODUCTION TO THE READINGS THIS WEEKEND

First Reading

The prophet invites even nature to join in the joyful anticipation of God's presence. May our preparation for his coming truly anticipate a time when 'joy and gladness will go with us and sorrow and lament be ended.'

Second Reading

If Advent is a time of waiting, it is, by the same token, a time of patience. St James urges patience several times in this short reading, and 'Do not lose heart.'

Gospel

John the Baptist, whom Jesus describes as the greatest of the children of men, sent from his prison cell to ask the question: 'Are you the one who is to come, or must we wait for another?' Let us not hesitate to pour out our doubts and our hopes to Christ during this Season of Advent.

NEXT WEEK'S MASS INTENTIONS Dec 12th - Dec 18th 2022

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| Monday | 9.30am Gerald Mc Elligott, L/O Scart, Gortatlea. |
| Tuesday | 9.30am Elizabeth (Lulu) & Bill Flynn, L/O Rock Street. |
| Wed | 9.30am Morgan O' Flaherty, L/O New York & Castlegregory |
| Thur. | 9.30am Catherine Cauty, L/O Abbeydorney. |
| Friday | 9.30am Majella Moynihan, L/O Oakpark Demesne. |
| Saturday | 9.30am John & Maura Moynihan, L/O "Rossard", Racecourse Road.
6.30pm Michael & Ellen Hanafin, L/O Leith East.
Maureen Brosnan, L/O Knocknaclogher, Ballyroe.
Jeremiah Church, L/O Leedale. (5th Anniv)
John Browne, Listellick.
Daniel & Sheila O' Flaherty, L/O Doon.
Breda O' Callaghan, L/O Casements Ave & her daughter Pauline Lynch, L/O Derrymore.
Agnes & Michael Keane, L/O Cloghane, Brandon & their sons John-Brendan & Jeremiah.
Liam & Marie Daly & Sr Catherine Daly & Decd. Family Members, L/O Clahane, Ballyard & Curravough
Ted & Frances Collins, L/O Rock St. Post Office
Jimmy Barrett, L/O Rock Street. |
| Sunday | 10.00am Therese O' Connor, L/O Rathoonane.
Decd. Members of the Moran & Deenihan Families, L/O Cahirciveen
Babe O' Mara, L/O Woodlee, Monavalley. (8th Anniv)
Margaret & Kevin Duffy, L/O Tralee & Tullamore
Eddie Lacey, L/O Ardcarraig, Caherslee. (5th Anniv)
Martina O'Mahony, L/O Monalee. (2nd Anniv)
Jerry & Noreen O' Sullivan & their sons, Michael, Pat & Dermot & family members, L/O Tralee
Tom Nolan, L/O Ardrahan, Ardfert.
Decd. Members of the O' Grady Family, L/O Kevin Barry Villas.
Michael & Chrissie Clifford, L/O St Brendan's Park & Darren Mc Kenzie Vass, L/O Ballyroe.
Phil Quilter (nee Tiernan) "Sedgemoor", Clounalour (Month's Mind)
11.15am Angela O' Mahony, L/O Connolly Pk. (3rd Anniv)
12.30pm Con O' Shea, L/O Shanakill. |