



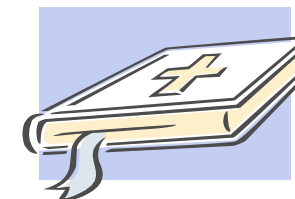
# Our Lady & St Brendan's Parish

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**Safeguarding Children in the Diocese of Kerry:** If you have any concern, please contact ☐087 6362780



## Jan. 28th (Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time)

### **PLEASE PRAY FOR:**

**\*James (Jim) Sheehy**, Caherbreagh, U.K. & Ballyheigue.

**\*Tony Griffin**, St. Brendan's Park.

**\*Dessie Hurley (Jnr)** Stack's Villas & Mounthawk

**\*Moirá Bolger (nee Conroy)**, Rockpark Ave. Newbridge & Laois.

**\*Kathleen O'Shea**, St. John's Park.

**\*\*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 Bernard Healy ☐087 2069656.

**PARISH OFFICE:** is open Monday– Friday from 9.00am –12.30pm.

**BEST WISHES:** to Sean Murphy, our Kerry seminarian and doing his placement in our parish this year, who will be ordained deacon in Glenbeigh Church this weekend, on Sunday January 28th at 3pm. The ceremony is open to anyone who would like to attend. We pray God's blessing on Sean at this special time.

What can a deacon do? A deacon can do most of the functions of a priest except celebrate Mass, hear confessions and anoint the sick. We pray God's blessing on Sean and his family at this special time.

**ST BRIGID:** Thursday next is the feast day of St Brigid. (This year marks the 1500 anniversary of her death).

**ST. BLAISE:** Saturday next is the feast day of St. Blaise. Blessing of throats will take place at the 9.30am Mass.

**PASTORAL LETTER:** from Bishop Ray Browne is available at all Masses this weekend. The letter is titled "Moving Forward in Hope" - shaping together the future of pastoral areas, parishes and local church communities in our diocese." Kindly take a copy of the letter.

**DEVELOPMENT FUND BOXES:** The new boxes of envelopes will be available for householders to collect in the Pastoral Centre from this week, Monday to Friday. The remaining boxes will be delivered to households at a later date.

**POOR CLARE MONASTERY:** vocations afternoon Saturday February 3rd at 2pm-4pm. For young women considering a vocation. Email: vocationspoorclarecork@gmail.com or Poor Clare Monastery, College Rd. Cork

**SCOIL EOIN BALLOONAGH ENROLMENT:** is open for applications for Junior infant pupils for the school year from September 2024. Closing date on January 31st at 12 noon.

**THE IRISH MESSENGER:** magazine for the month of February is available on the bookstand. Price is €3

**SR DE LOURDES RETIREMENT:** It is almost 25 years since Sr de Lourdes was appointed as Parish Sister. She had worked as a teacher in Holy family School from 1976—1999 and following her early retirement, she began her new role as Parish Sister. During her years in the Pastoral Centre, she has supported many ministries such as the Baptism Group, St Vincent de Paul Society, Rainbows, St Joseph's Young Priests Society, the Mothers Prayer Group as well as her welcoming presence in the Pastoral Centre. After a quarter of a century of service, she has decided to retire from her role. The Parish Pastoral Council are organising a farewell celebration to mark this significant event. The celebration will take place on Monday February 12th at 2.30pm. It will be our opportunity to express our gratitude as well as wishing her a long and happy retirement. All are welcome to attend.

### **Prayer to St Brigid**

You were a woman of peace.  
You brought harmony where there was conflict.

You brought light to the darkness.  
You brought hope to the downcast.

May the mantle of your peace cover  
those who are troubled and anxious,

and may peace be firmly rooted  
in our hearts and in our world.

Inspire us to act justly  
and to reverence all God has made.

Brigid you were a voice  
for the wounded and the weary.

Strengthen what is weak within us.  
Calm us into a quietness  
that heals and listens.

May we grow each day into greater  
wholeness in mind, body and spirit.

Amen.

## **NEXT WEEK'S MASS INTENTIONS Jan 29th—February 4th**

Monday	9.30am Jerome & Eily Moynihan, L/O Bawnboy.
Tuesday	9.30am John G. Dwyer, L/O U.S.A.
Wed	9.30am Parish Mass.
Thur.	9.30am Michael Loughlin, L/O St. Brendan's Park. (Birthday Remembrance)
Friday	9.30am James & Margaret Lynch, L/O Old Golf Links.
Saturday	9.30am Sr. Joan Curtin, L/O Gort na Sidhe, Mounthawk. 6.30pm Theresa Mahony, L/O Ard Na Sidhe, Mounthawk.  George Mc Neice, L/O St. Brendan's Park. (4th Anniv) Brian O'Donoghue, L/O Ard Carraig. (35th Anniv)  Mary O'Brien (nee Hanafin), L/O O' Rahillys Villas.
Sunday	10.00am Marian O'Mahony, L/O Cahermoneen. (2nd Anniv)  Margaret Lucid, L/O Castleisland & Ardfert.  Marian Wallace, L/O Ardfert.  Dolores O' Keeffe, L/O Listellick North. (Month's Mind) Eddie O' Connell, L/O Monavalley & Abbeydorney (8th Anniv) Sr Doris Lee, L/O Knocklong & Birmingham. (12th Anniv)  11.15am Michael Ryan, L/O The Oaks, Oakview.  12.30pm Dominic O'Brien, L/O The Bungalow, Listellick.

## **INTRODUCTION TO THE READINGS THIS WEEKEND**

### **First Reading**

The Lord does not leave his people wandering in darkness and error; he raises up prophets to guide them. Moses reassures people that God will continue to do this.

### **Second Reading**

St. Paul was convinced that the Lord was about to return. It turned out that the Lord intended his followers to be here for the long haul. Still today, we are called to dedicate ourselves fully to the Lord's affairs.

### **Gospel**

What was it that impresses Jesus' hearers? Not slick oratorical technique or sound bites, but his authority! Jesus was genuine, and people could not but recognise this.