



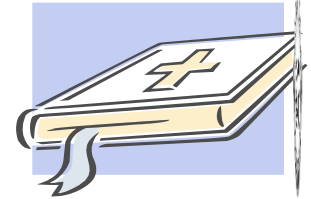
Our Lady & St Brendan's Parish

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Sept 29th (26th Sunday in Ordinary Time)

PLEASE PRAY FOR:

***Kay Tarrant**, Connolly Park

***Hugh Campbell**, Kerries East

****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 Mark Moriarty ☐087 2069656.

PARISH OFFICE; is open Monday to Friday from 9.00am –12.30pm.

HOSPICE COFFEE MORNING: will take place in St. Brendan's Pastoral Centre on Thursday next October 3rd from 10am to 12 noon. Illness touches the lives of so many families and the support of Palliative Care is so important. Your support would be greatly appreciated for this worthy cause.

TELEVISED MASS: on SKY channel 517 or on RTE News Channel, will be broadcast from our church on this Wednesday October 2nd at 10.30am.

KERRY HOSPICE FUNDRAISING CONCERT: So many families depend on the support of the Palliative Care Unit when loved ones are seriously ill. To help with this service, a Gala concert will take place with Red Hurley and the St John's Gregorian Choir and special guests the O'Carroll Sisters and the Children's Chamber Choir in St Brendan's Church on Sunday September 29th at 7.30pm. Tickets €20 available from St Brendan's Parish Office, St John's Parish Office, UHK Palliative Care & at the door on the night. (The concert will not be live-streamed).

CHILDRENS LITURGY: The work in the Family Chapel will be complete in a few weeks so we have decided to suspend the Children's Liturgy on Sunday mornings at the 10am Mass until the work is complete. Apologies for any inconvenience.

POSITIVE AGING WEEK: is an initiative by Age Action to celebrate the contributions of older people and to promote their agency. The week emphasises the positive aspects of aging and the significant roles older individuals play in our communities and families. The week-long event happens yearly, with a new theme, and aims to challenge stereotypes and misconceptions about aging and to highlight the positivity and vitality of older age. KRSP aims to put a programme of events together to celebrate the week. For further details, contact Tralee Library.

PASTORAL LETTER FROM BISHOP RAY

Most of us gathered here today have identified with church and parish during our lives – attending weekly mass, financially supporting our parishes, and living our Christian lives as best we can. We have seen enormous changes and many have made our church communities feel very fragile. Yet our faith in the good news of the gospel and the presence of God's spirit among us, leaves us with a stubborn sense of hope.

There is a future for our parishes. It will not be the same as the past. One significant change is the situation of priests. Fewer priests means they now work across several parishes in each pastoral area. Their increasing age means they cannot be expected to carry the same workload in each parish.

What will the future look like?

Some say, "Change the rules on priesthood." Yet that tradition is deeply rooted, and change, if any, will be very slow. Others say, "Bring in more priests from abroad." Yet, we still have three times more priests per Catholic than they have in Africa. Permanent reliance on priests from abroad would be both unrealistic and unjust.

At the back of the church, there are copies of the Pastoral Letter. It summarises the journey that has been ongoing in the diocese this year. The immediate future for our parishes is greater lay involvement. There is a role here for all of us.

For some of us, it will focus on the weekly celebration of our faith here in this church and the living out of that faith during the week. The love we show to the people around us, especially those in need, is a powerful witness. Others of us may be able to take on an extra role, becoming active members of some parish committee. Some of us may have the time and talent for a leadership role in the parish.

There are copies of the Pastoral Letter near the Church doors. Please take a copy home and take the time to read and reflect on it. In the coming weeks, we will be following through on the actions outlined in it. Thank you.

SEASON OF CREATION DAY: The Diocese of Kerry has designated the month of September as the 'Season of Creation' and it will conclude on Friday next, October 4th, the feast day of St Francis.

IRISH MESSENGER: magazine is available on the bookstand. Price is €3

DANCE CLASSES FOR ADULTS: A fun way to learn how to dance (waltzing, jiving, quick step etc.) every Wednesday night in St. Brendan's Pastoral Centre. Beginners 7.30pm—8.30pm. Advanced 8.30pm-9.30pm. Classes commencing Wed. Sept 25th. For information contact 087-2817972.

NEXT WEEK'S MASS INTENTIONS SEPT 30th—Oct 6th

Monday	9.30am Aidan & Mary Cadden, L/O Oldcastle, Co Meath.
Tuesday	9.30am Ray Chute, L/O Caherslee. (9th Anniv)
Wed	9.30am Tim & Shelia McMahon, L/O Marian Park.
Thur.	9.30am Jo Hickey, L/O Oakview.
Friday	9.30am Parish Mass.
Saturday	9.30am Eddie O'Brien, L/O Casements Ave. (1st Anniv) 6.30pm Garry King, L/O St. Brendan's Park. Lorna Brosnan, L/O Gallowfield. (12th Anniv) Susan O'Mahony, L/O Carrigeendaniel(11th Anniv) Theresa & Thomas O'Sullivan, L/O Mountain Close, Balloonagh (6th & 4th Anniv) Valerie Fitzgerald, L/O Clogherbrien (4th Anniv)
Sunday	10.00am Michael Pat Brady, L/O Bishopstown, Co Cork. (5th Anniv) Breda Carroll, L/O Farran, Co Cork. (13th Anniv) Paddy & Rita Dennehy, L/O Birmingham. Thomas Donaghey, L/O Co. Tyrone. Eugene & Joan O'Connell & their son Tommy, L/O Gurrane. Ermete Taddei, L/O Italy. Jeremiah Keane L/O Clounsharraugh, Cloghane, Brandon (Birthday Remembrance)
	11.15am P.J. McCrohan, L/O Doon.
	12.30pm William Dillane, L/O Old Golf Links, Clounalour.

INTRODUCTION TO THE READINGS THIS WEEKEND

First Reading

Moses shows us that one sign of an authentic prophet is the desire that all people be filled with God's Spirit.

Second Reading

The rich are condemned, not because they have more than they need, but because they have turned a blind eye to those who have less than they need.

Gospel

Like Moses, there is no jealousy partisanship in Jesus: he wants everyone to do God's work; he wants all his disciples to shine with God's light.