



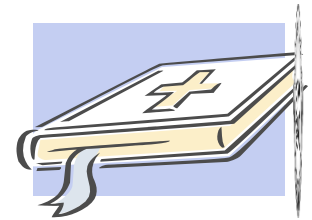
# Our Lady & St Brendan's Parish

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## December 15th (3rd Sunday of Advent)

### PLEASE PRAY FOR:

- \***JJ Lynch**, Gallowsfield & Lyreacompane.
- \***Noreen Duggan**, London & Farmers Bridge.
- \***Mary Martin (nee O'Connor)**, Blackrock & Leicester.
- \***Johnny Murtagh**, Kevin Barry Villas.
- \*\*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 to Friday from 9.00am –12.30pm.

**TROCAIRE GIFT VOUCHERS;** An ideal Christmas gift - are for sale at the Parish Office. The vouchers vary from €5, €8, €15, €20, €30, €50, €55, €65 & €75.

**SIGNED CHRISTMAS MASS BOUQUET CARDS;** are available at the Parish Office.

**MERCY MOUNTHAWK CAROL SERVICE:** will take place in St Brendan's Church on Monday December 16th at 7.30pm. All welcome.

**"SEEDS OF HOPE" CONFERENCE:** An initiative of the dioceses of Kerry, Limerick, Killaloe and Cashel & Emily. Learn how your local parish can respond to the ecological crisis. This biodiversity conference will take place on Saturday Jan 25th in Springfort Hall Hotel, Mallow. Further details on the Diocesan website [www.dioceseofkerry.ie](http://www.dioceseofkerry.ie)

**TÍR NA nÓG ORPHANAGE;** in Tanzania was founded by Tralee native Louise Quill. If you wish to support their Christmas Appeal, you can leave you donation at the Parish Office. Many thanks for your generosity.

### **CHRISTMAS CONFESSIONS**

**PENANCE SERVICE;** for Christmas will be held on Wednesday December 18th at 7pm

**CONFESSIONS:** on Friday next, Dec 20th from 6.30pm—7.30pm

**2025: A JUBILEE YEAR IN THE CHURCH:** A Jubilee Year is held every twenty-five years. Pope Francis will officially open the year by opening a Holy Door in St Peter's Basilica, Rome on Christmas Eve. The beginning of the Jubilee Year will be celebrated worldwide on the following weekend, on the Feast Day of the Holy Family, in every diocese worldwide, and at all our Masses that weekend. Pope Francis has chosen the Jubilee theme "Pilgrims of Hope".

We are asked to treat the year ahead as a year-long pilgrimage seeking together to become more aware that truly Jesus Christ Our Saviour is with us each day, - as our help, strength and guide. When we speak of 'Hope' we mean 'Hope in Jesus Christ', Hope in our God, Father, Son and Spirit. There will be a number of events around the diocese to celebrate the Jubilee Year.

**MISTLETOE & WINE CONCERT:** by Kerry School of Music, in St John's Church, Castle Street on this Sunday at 7pm. Tickets available at the door. All welcome.

**CHRISTMAS CD:** with carols by the students from Mercy Mounthawk are available for sale in the Parish Office, €15 each.

**BILL KIRBY MEMORIAL 4 MILE WALK;** in aid of Palliative Care. Gathering at the Brogue Inn on St Stephen's Day at 11am. Walk commencing at 11.30am. Sponsorship cards available from Michael Fox O'Connor ☐087 9833075.

**TRADITIONAL LATIN MASS;** will be celebrated on Sunday, December 29th at 12noon in the Church of the Immaculate Conception, Rathass by Celebrant: Fr. Bernard Healy

### **MASS TIMES FOR CHRISTMAS EVE & DAY**

**\*December 24th: Vigils at 4.30pm, 6.30pm, 8.30pm**

The 4.30pm will be the Children's Mass.

**\*December 25th: 10am, 11.15am, 12.30pm.**

The 10am will be the Children's Mass.

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

#### **First Reading**

Rejoice. Exult. Should for joy. The prophet can command people to have a joyful attitude because he is convinced of God's victory over every sadness and every suffering.

#### **Second Reading**

Likewise St Paul, in asking his people to be happy, is expressing his confidence in God's presence and in his victory.

#### **Gospel**

'What must we do?' - people ask John the Baptist this question three times in this Gospel. It is an excellent question for us to ask during this season of Advent.

## NEXT WEEK'S MASS INTENTIONS Dec 16th–22nd

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| Monday   | 9.30am  | Decd. Members of the Nolan Family, L/O Ardfert.   |
| Tuesday  | 9.30am  | Majella Moynihan, L/O Oakpark Demesne.  |
| Wed      | 9.30am  | Maura & John Moynihan, L/O "Rossard", Racecourse Road. (50th & 7th Anniv)   |
| Thur.    | 9.30am  | Gerard McElligott Jnr. L/O Scart, Gortatlea.  |
| Friday   | 9.30am  | Parish Mass.  |
| Saturday | 9.30am  | Angela O'Mahony, L/O Connolly Pk. (5th Anniv)   |
|          | 6.30pm  | Decd. Residence of Rock Street.<br>Maureen Brosnan, L/O Ballyroe.<br>Willie Casey, L/O Doon.<br>Brigid O'Connor, L/O Ballymacelligott.<br>Liam, Marie, Sr Catherine & Mary Daly, L/O Ballyroe & Currovough.<br>Jeremiah Church, L/O Leedale. (7th Anniv)<br>Breda O'Callaghan, L/O Casements Ave & her daughter Pauline Lynch, L/O Derrymore.<br>Alice & Ken Frampton, & Decd. Family Members L/O Leedale.<br>John Browne, L/O Listellick North.<br>Baby Amy Mary O'Connor, L/O Mounthawk.  |
| Sunday   | 10.00am | John & Margaret O'Neill, L/O Barrow, Ardfert.<br>Rita O'Brien (nee Quinlan) L/O Kenmare & St Brendan's Park.<br>Brendan Moriarty, L/O Cahills Pk & Decd. Members of the Keane Family, L/O Castlegregory.<br>Decd. Members of the O'Grady Family, L/O Kevin Barry Villas.<br>Decd. Members of the Moran & Denihan Family, L/O Cahersiveen.<br>Patrick Breen, L/O Glencar, (3rd Anniv)<br>Bebe O' Mara, L/O Woodlee.<br>Franca Nati, L/O Italy.<br>Jerry & Noreen O'Sullivan & their sons Michael, Pat & Dermot, L/O Tralee.<br>Therese O'Connor, L/O Rathoonane.<br>Rory Doyle, L/O Ardfert & Cork. (2nd Anniv)<br>Carmel Slattery, L/O Abbeydorney & New York.<br>11.15am Julia & Patrick Conway & Decd. Family Members, L/O O'Rahillys Villis & St Brendan's Pk.<br>12.30pm Mary Collins, L/O Caherslee. |