



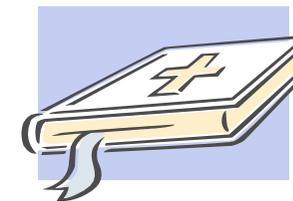
# Our Lady & St Brendan's Parish

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



## April 13th (Palm Sunday)

### PLEASE PRAY FOR:

- \***Robert (Bobby) Hannafin**, Stacks Villas.
  - \***Noreen Murphy (nee O'Connor)**, Connolly Pk.
  - \***Michael Martin Coffey**, Castleisland & Tralee.
  - \***Tony Breen**, Connolly Park.
  - \***Bridget McMahon (nee Lawlor)**, Bawnboy.
- \*\*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;** The Parish Office will be closed on Good Friday and re-open on Tuesday April 22nd at 9am.

**EASTER DUES COLLECTION:** The Easter Dues Envelopes & Easter Booklets have been delivered to households in the parish. Please return your Easter Dues Envelope to Mass at the second collection next weekend. Envelopes are also available at the Church doors. Many thanks for your generosity during the year.

**EASTER NEWSLETTER:** There is a word puzzle in the Easter Newsletter booklet. We encourage children to complete the puzzle and to return their entry to the Pastoral Centre by Monday April 28th. There will be a draw for successful entries and prizes for the winners..... If you're not in, you can't win!!!

### CONFESSIONS FOR EASTER:

**Penance Service** on this Monday at 7.30pm.  
**Confessions for Easter** on Holy Saturday at 12pm-1pm & 3pm-4pm.

**DIOCESAN COLLECTION:** The Annual Diocesan Collection in aid of Accord will be taken up at all Masses this weekend. This collection is directed toward supporting the ministry of the Pope and supports the many charitable initiatives promoted by the Holy Father.

**CHRISM MASS:** The Chrism Mass will take place in the Cathedral in Killarney on Tuesday evening April 15th at 7pm. There will be refreshments after the Mass in St. Brendan's College refectory. All welcome.

### DAILY THOUGHTS FOR LENT

- Palm Sunday:** *My God, my God, why have you abandoned me?*
- Monday:** Recall times when you felt God was far away and talk to God about it.
- Tuesday:** Be with those who feel abandoned.
- Spy Wednesday:** Pray for those whom we have betrayed.
- Holy Thursday:** Sharing a meal makes us family - look around at your family.
- Good Friday:** Fast and pray.
- Holy Saturday:** Wait in solidarity with Mary & the disciples.

**HOLY THURSDAY:** There will be exposition of the Blessed Sacrament in the Family Chapel after the Mass of the Lord's Supper until 9.30pm.

**VENERATION OF THE CROSS;** on Good Friday will not have the traditional kissing of the Cross. In the interest of public health, we will invite people to come forward and bow in reverence.

**GOOD FRIDAY;** is a day of Fast and Abstinence. Fasting during the day except for one main meal and two smaller meals.

**CONFIRMATION CEREMONIES:** Congratulations to the boys & girls of Balloonagh School who were confirmed on Thursday last. Many thanks to their teachers and parents who helped prepare them for their Confirmation ceremony.

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

**PILGRIMAGE TO INISFALLEN:** There will be a pilgrimage (Mass and Talk) to Inisfallen Island, Killarney, on May 15<sup>th</sup>. For more information, call 066-9156131. Booking is essential.

**DIocese OF KERRY:** Pilgrimage to Knock will take place on Saturday August 23rd. Details at a later date.

### INTRODUCTION TO THE READINGS THIS WEEKEND

#### First Reading

The early Christians were quick to read the Old Testament in the light of the Christ story. The 'Suffering Servant' in this reading points to the suffering Christ of the Gospel.

#### Second Reading

The words 'death on a cross' are at the centre, and low point of this reading. They mark the depth of suffering to which the depth of Christ's love brought him.

#### Gospel

Jesus, we read, has 'longed' to share a final meal with his disciples. On the cross, he promises the repentant thief that he will share paradise with him. Jesus shows us the face of a God who longs to bless us.

## NEXT WEEK'S MASS INTENTIONS April 14th–20th

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| Monday   | 9.30am Veronica McGreevy, L/O Monaghan.   |
| Tuesday  | 9.30am Molly & Denis Curry, L/O St. Brendan's Park.   |
| Wed      | 9.30am Special Intention.   |
| Thur.    | 9.30am Morning Prayer.<br>7.30pm Mass of the Lord's Supper  |
| Friday   | 9.30am Morning Prayer.<br>3.00pm Celebration of the Lord's Passion.<br>7.30pm Stations of the Cross.  |
| Saturday | 9.30am Morning Prayer.<br>8.30pm Easter Vigil Mass.   |
| Sunday   | 10.00am Eileen Daly, L/O Clogherbrien.<br><br>Ben & Daniel Flavin, L/O Fermoy & Ard na Sidhe.<br><br>Annie & Matt McMahon, L/O St John's Park.<br><br>Teresa Cullen, L/O Ballyconway & Oakpark.<br><br>Simon O'Hehir, L/O Doon.<br><br>John Birmingham, L/O Barrakilla, Kielduff & Limerick. (2nd Anniv)<br><br>Hannah & Thomas Conroy, L/O Urban Terrace, Boherbee.<br>Denis O'Shea, L/O Lisbeg.<br><br>Margaret (Peggy) O'Donnell, L/O The Kerries East. (7th Anniv)<br>Ned & Eileen O'Brien, L/O Monavalley.<br><br>Peggy & Sonny Egan, L/O West Commons, Ardferit |
|          | 11.15am Decd. Members of the Culloty & Sugrue Families, L/O Gurrane.  |
|          | 12.30pm Kathleen O'Connell, L/O Casement's Ave. (6th Anniv)   |

### TROCAIRE LENTEN CAMPAIGN

Trocaire Boxes can be returned to Masses during the week or placed in the letter box of the Parish Centre. We are very grateful for the generous support for Trocaire each year. It would be very helpful to convert the coin into notes. If you wish to donate online please use the Trocaire website. No person has been authorised to collect the Trocaire boxes.