



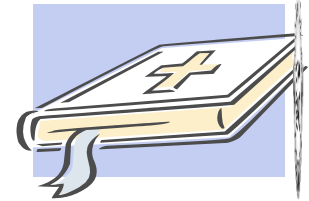
Our Lady & St Brendan's Parish

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



February 2nd (4th Sunday in Ordinary Time)

PLEASE PRAY FOR:

- ***Carmel Trant (nee O'Leary)**, Lisanearla.
 - ***James Wrenn**, Ballinorig Close.
 - ***Margaret Walsh**, Cromane Lower & Derrylea.
 - ***Robert (Bob) O'Brien**, Ogham Rian & Listowel
 - ***Andrew (Andy) McMahon**, Clonmel & Marian Park, Tralee.
 - ***Francis O'Donnell**, Knockmoyle.
- **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 Amos Ruto, ☐087 2069656.

PARISH OFFICE; The Parish Office is open Monday to Friday from 9.00am - 12.30pm

ST. BLAISE: Monday February 3rd is the feast day of St. Blaise. Blessing of throats will take place at the 9.30am Mass.

DIOCESAN COLLECTION: in aid of the Needs of Lourdes Helpers will be taken up at all Masses next weekend, February 8th /9th. Your support is very much appreciated.

WELCOME: A word of welcome to Fr Peter Okpetu from Nigeria who will be living in the presbytery until Easter. Fr Peter has been working in Kilmore diocese (County Cavan) for the past nine years and will be in Tralee until Easter as he is doing the Hospital Chaplaincy (CPE) course in Kerry University Hospital. (We look forward to harmony between our Kenyan and Nigerian residents!!) We wish him well in his studies.

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS: At present we are recruiting Eucharistic Ministers for each of the weekend Masses. It is a very important and practical ministry with the distribution of holy communion. If you are will willing to be trained and to be part of a rota, please give your name to the sacristan after Mass.

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

CHILDRENS LITURGY: following the refurbishment of the Family Chapel, the Children's Liturgy will recommence on Sunday February 9th at 10.00am. All children who have not yet received their First Holy Communion are welcome to join in.

TROCAIRE GIFT VOUCHERS: were a very popular gift for Christmas and the amount raised was €1,730. This included sale of the vouchers and donations. Many thanks for your generosity.

IRISH MESSENGER: magazine is available on the bookstand. Price is €2.50

IRISH CATHOLIC: is available near the main door each week Price is €3

ACCORD CATHOLIC MARRAGE CARE SERVICE: is currently recruiting volunteers to train as marriage preparation programme facilitators. If you are willing to support couples preparing for the Sacrament of Marriage, then Accord wishes to hear from you! Successful applicants will receive professional training and be part of a team delivering programmes locally. Contact Aisling on 01 505 3112 or email marriagepreparation@accord.ie

30/30 VISION: The parish plan to return 30% of the parish grounds to nature by 2030 was launched last year. The work will be carried out on Saturday mornings from 10am-11am. All interested are invited to help with the planting, pruning and developing the plan. All welcome.

SIAMSA TIRE THEATRE: presents St. Brigid celebration on Sunday, 2nd February at 7.30pm. The evening will feature beautifully curated compositions and traditional pieces performed by Cór Siamsa and Eist Éirú, a talented trio comprising of Aine Murray Hurley, Katie Lucey and Aisling Neville. Tickets available on www.siamsatire.com

ANAM CARA: the organisation that supports bereaved parents, will hold its monthly Parent Support Evening in the Meadowlands Hotel on Tuesday February 11th at 7.15pm

INTRODUCTION TO THE READINGS THIS WEEKEND

First Reading

This reading makes it clear that God both gifts and calls. The prophet has been formed, consecrated and appointed for a task. He will require courage and trust.

Second Reading

What is the criterion of authenticity regarding spiritual gifts? How can we tell the real from the fake? Paul gives us an over-arching criterion: love. If there is genuine love, then all gifts will be used in a genuine way.

Gospel

It is no accident that the opening words of Jesus' first public teaching in this Gospel refer to 'today.' Luke's Gospel is all about what God is doing, in Jesus today, at this time.

NEXT WEEK'S MASS INTENTIONS Feb 3rd-9th

Monday	9.30am Garry Fernane, L/O St John's Park.
Tuesday	9.30am Philomema McDonagh, L/O Ballinorig Close.
Wed	9.30am Niall Kelly, L/O Gort na Sidhe, Mounthawk. (5th Anniv)
Thur.	9.30am Eileen Carew (nee Fleming), L/O Galbally, Co. Tipperary & Scartaglin. (Recently Decd.)
Friday	9.30am Parish Mass.
Saturday	9.30am Jimmy & Kitty Carmody, Doon.
	6.30pm James O'Sullivan, L/O St Brendan's Pk. (Birthday Remb)
	Patrick Roche, L/O Listellick. (30th Anniv)
	Michael Ryan, L/O The Oaks, Oakview.
	Teresa Mahony, L/O Ard na Sidhe. (22nd Anniv)
	Brendan Lawlor, L/O Castlemaine. (38th Anniv)
	Peggy Church, L/O Leedale. (8th Anniv)
	Maura Casey, L/O St Brendan's Pk. (7th Anniv)
	Eileen & Sonny Lynch, L/O Killeen Road.
	Decd. Members of the Old Reserve Golf Club.
	Christy Griffin, L/O St Brendan's Pk. (40th Anniv)
Sunday	10.00am Celia O'Connor, L/O Oakpark Drive.
	Michael Ryan, L/O The Oaks, Oakview.
	Christy Griffin, L/O St Brendan's Pk. (40th Anniv)
	Margaret Gurnett, L/O Doon. (Months Mind)
	Ned & Nora Gilbert, L/O Causeway.
	Michael & Mary Ellen O'Brien, L/O Listellick.
	Jerry Curtin, L/O Marian Park.
	11.15am Christy Griffin, L/O St Brendan's Pk. (40th Anniv)
	12.30pm Fr Tomás Houlihan, L/O Ardfert & Caherslee. (16th Anniv)

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY:

- ***Ash Wednesday:** March 5th
- ***St Patrick's Day:** Monday March 17th.
- ***Easter Sunday:** April 20th
- ***Confirmation ceremonies**
 - *Friday April 4th -Listellick & Holy Family
 - *Thursday April 10th - Balloonagh