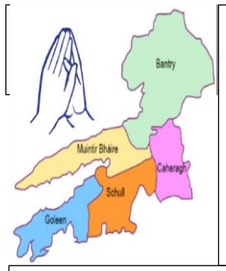

BANTRY FAMILY OF PARISHES NEWSLETTER

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Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time 12th July 2026 Vol. 44.

Dates for the Diary: Graveyard Masses

Mass in the Cilleanach: Monday 10th August at 7pm
In the event of rain Mass will be celebrated in Bantry Hospital Chapel

Mass in the Abbey Graveyard: Tuesday 11th August at 7pm. In the event of rain Mass will be celebrated in Bantry Church

Mass at Beach Mass Rock: Thursday 13th August at 7.00pm In the event of rain Mass will be celebrated in Bantry Church

Mass in Kilmacommogue Graveyard & Holy Well:
Saturday 15th August at 3pm. In the event of rain, Mass will be celebrated in Kealkil Church.

Recent Parish Baptisms:
We welcome into our Christian Community
Aoibhín Sheila Cronin - Carriganarra, Ballincollig
Freya Rose Murray & Samuel Alexander Murray - Lisheenacreagh, Ballydehob

Magnifica Humanitas
Encyclical Letter of the Holy Father Leo XIV on safeguarding the human person in the time of artificial intelligence. Available to order online at www.acnchurchresources.ie

Kate Manning will be busking for West Cork Down Syndrome Support Group on Saturday 18th July, Garda permit in place, outside JJ Crowley pub from 10am to 3pm, rain or shine, please drop by and support this local, very worthy charity!

Water Safety Ireland
The Summer week in Bantry is scheduled for week beginning August Monday 3rd 2026.
Contact Hannah on 086-3958849 for more details.

Mealagh Valley Community Hall Upcoming events.
JACKPOT BINGO on Thursday July 16th at 8pm.
The jackpot is an amazing €590 in 62 calls. Will it be you??
Progressive 45 Cards on Sat July 25th at 8pm.
Thank you for your continued support.

BANTRY ANNUAL ART EXHIBITION 2026
Reminding all Artists, the Bantry Annual Art Exhibition will be held from Thursday 23rd July to Tuesday 4th August in St Brendan's Primary School Hall, the Square. Entry forms and Information leaflets are available at the Bantry Tourist Office, Bantry Library, Phyllis O'Connor's Art Shop and from Megan Core Creative Printing, New Street. For further info. & details contact Mary Tel 086 2363344

Newsletter Notice: Please note the Parishes newsletter will take a break during the month of August and will return on 5th/6th of September. In the meantime please keep in touch with Parish news through the Bantry Family of Parishes website. Notices can be sent to bantryparishoffice@gmail.com as usual and will be displayed on our website. www.bantryfamilyofparishes.ie

Dates for the Diary: Mass Schedule for 15th August:
Feast of The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary - Holy Day of Obligation

Friday 14th August – Vigil Mass:
Bantry Church: 6.15pm Lowertown: 8pm Dromore: 8pm

Saturday 15th August – Holy Day
Bantry Hospital Chapel: 10am Schull: 10.30am
Kilcrohane: 11.30am Bantry: 12noon

Kilmacomogue: 3pm : (Mass in Kealkil Church in bad weather)
Dromore: 8pm (Vigil Mass for Sunday)

Dates for the Diary: Autumn Station Masses 2026
Autumn Station Masses will take place on the weekend of 23rd /24th August.

Died Recently: We extend prayers & sympathy to the family, relatives & friends of:
Esther O'Hehir (née O'Mahony) – Ballylickey, Bantry
Joan O'Shea – (née O'Connor) Dromleigh, Bantry
Anne Dorney (née Reardon) – formerly of Ard Mhuire, Bantry / Cork City

Offertory Collection 5th July: Bantry: €2180 Schull:€1205
MuintirBhaire:€725 Goleen: €775 Caheragh: €607
Church Maintenance Fund last w/e: Bantry: €1880 Schull:€1005
MuintirBhaire:€525 Goleen: €644 Caheragh: €645
A special collection for Diocesan Needs will be taken up throughout the Diocese on the weekend of 18th/19th Julv.

Kilcrohane Carnival: Tuesday 14th July bingo in the community hall at 8:00 pm. Thursday 16th July a children's disco, games and selection of the carnival queen and princesses. Immediately followed by duck races at the river near Eileen's Bar.
Saturday 18th at 4:00 pm a treasure hunt in and around the village. Teams of four, of which one must be an adult, should meet at the playground. The main event is on Sunday 19th July starting with a fancy dress parade through the village followed by field events in the carnival field - bouncy castle, face painting, children and adults sports and novelty races. There will be side stalls and a wheel of fortune and teas and food will be on sale. The grand raffle will take place at 5:00 pm. This is the Kilcrohane Development Association's main fundraiser. All proceeds go towards the running and upkeep of the community hall, playground and field. Please support. All welcome. See you there!!

Gracious God, Thank You for the warmth of summer, the beauty of Your creation, and the gift of longer days. Refresh our hearts with Your peace, renew our strength with Your love, and help us share Your kindness wherever we go. May this season draw us closer to You and to one another, and may we always rejoice in the blessings You so generously provide. Amen

Calendar: Mass Times and Intentions :-

Sat 11th July: St. Benedict, Abbot, Patron of Europe
Bantry:6.15pm: Patrick, Peg O'Mahony, their sons Seán & George O'Mahony (Maughnaclea, Kealkil) and their daughter Esther O'Hehir (Ballylickey – recently deceased)
Catherine Ryan – Marian Terrace

Dromore:8pm: No Booking
Lowertown: 8pm: Johanna Goggin - Cloughanekilleen.

Sunday 12th July: Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time:
Bantry:9am: Julia O'Sullivan – Gearhies
John O'Sullivan – Gearhies

Ballydehob:9am: Donor's Intentions
Sr. Ita Gordon & deceased members of Gordon Family - Wexford
Canon Bernard Donovan – Co.PP Kilmurray & former PP Schull

Durrus:10am: John O'Sullivan – Gearhies
Denis Griffin - Gearhies
Ann O'Sullivan – late of Westport & London

Schull:10.30am:Intentions of People of Bantry Family of Parishes
Paddy Logan – Coorydorrigan, Schull – 40th anniv.
Chrissie Minehane – Gortnamona, Schull
Canon Bernard Donovan – former Parish Priest of Schull

Kealkil:10.30am:
William, Ellen, Dinny & Patrick Sullivan – Lisheens
Connie, Jane & Pat O'Leary – Cahirmounteen
Peg. Patrick, Seán & George O'Mahony - Maughnaclea
Maureen Maguire – Coorycommade, Coomhola – Months Mind

Caheragh:11.15am: Fr. Michael McCarthy – Rearhanagh
Kathleen McCarthy – Baunahow.

Kilcrohane:11.30am: Paudie Curtain – Castleisland
James & John Daly (Inchinalought) & their parents
Mary & Patsy Daly

Goleen:12noon: Mass for Peace

Bantry : 12noon: Special Birthday Intention
Ray Wiseman & his father Eamon Wiseman – Rooska
Christy & Nellie O'Sullivan - Adrigole
John & Joan O'Sullivan - Adrigole

Mon 13th July: 15th Week in Ordinary Time:
Bantry: 10am: Mary McCarthy (Dawley) – St. Cainirs Place
Schull: 10am: Frank & Kay O'Driscoll & deceased members of the O'Driscoll Family – East End, Schull

Tuesday 14th July: 15th Week in Ordinary Time:
Bantry: 10am:
John J. McCarthy & his daughter Bernadette - Scartbawn
Goleen: 10am: Johanna & Joe Goggin (Cloughanekilleen) & their daughter Catherine O'Driscoll

Wed. 15th July: 15th week in Ordinary Time:
Ballydehob:10am: Pat O'Driscoll & deceased members of the O'Driscoll Family – Cappaghglass, Ballydehob
Bantry:10am: Betty & Anna Swords - Bantry

Thursday 16th July: 15th Week in Ordinary Time:
Bantry:10am: Special Intention
Goleen: 10am: Mass for the Holy Souls

Friday 17th July: 15th Week in Ordinary Time:
Bantry:10am: John & Kitty Cadogan – Old Barrack Road
Schull: 10am: Donor's Intentions

Saturday 18th July: 15th Week in Ordinary Time:
Bantry Hospital:10am: Sheila Lynch – William Street – 30th anniv