



## BANTRY FAMILY OF PARISHES NEWSLETTER

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THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

SUNDAY 21<sup>ST</sup> JANUARY 2024 VOL.21. NO 3

### Calendar: Mass Times and Intentions :-

#### Sat.20<sup>th</sup> Jan: 2<sup>nd</sup> week in Ordinary Time:

Bantry: 6.15pm: Kate Sullivan – Gearhies  
Bridie Lucey – Church Road – 5<sup>th</sup> anniv.  
Leo, James & Mary O'Sullivan – Droumsullivan  
Sean O'Sullivan – Baurgorm & London – 2<sup>nd</sup> anniv.  
Thomas Barry – Derryvahalla  
Dromore: 8pm: Margaret Barry – Gortnascreena  
Lowertown: 8pm: Joseph Goggin - Cloughanekilleen

#### Sun 21<sup>st</sup> Jan: Third Sunday in Ordinary Time:

Bantry: 9am: Mary O'Brien – Reenrour East  
A Parishioner having surgery this week.  
Ballydehob: 9.00am: Dan O'Donovan - Coolagh  
Durrus: 10m: Anthony Whooley - Ahakista  
Coomhola:10.30am: Nora Cronin – Derrynafinchin, Borlin  
John Welsh - USA  
Schull: 10.30am: Paddy O'Regan – Gortnamona  
Anne Logan – Bayview  
Caheragh: 11.15am: Joan McCarthy – Corliss  
Julie Sheely & her daughters Mary Hill & Veronica McCarthy  
Margaret Barry - Gortnascreena  
Kilcrohane: 11.30am: No booking  
Goleen: 12noon: Richard Twomey - Kealfadda  
Bantry: 12noon:Jeremiah Hourihane (25<sup>th</sup> anniv) & his wife  
Bridie Hourihane – Rock Villas  
Barry Hourihane – Pipers Lane, Bantry  
Myra O'Leary – Reenrour

#### Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> Jan: 3<sup>rd</sup> week in Ordinary Time:

Bantry:10am: Con & John Cronin – Blackrock Road  
Schull: 10am: No booking

#### Tues. 23<sup>rd</sup> Jan: 3<sup>rd</sup> week in Ordinary Time:

Bantry: 10am: Fr. Denis Murphy – Glengarriff Road  
Goleen: 10am: Pat O'Driscoll – Stillorgan, Dublin & late of Goleen

#### Wed. 24<sup>th</sup> Jan : 3<sup>rd</sup> week in Ordinary Time:

Durrus: 9am: People of the Family of Parishes  
Ballydehob:10am: No booking  
Bantry: 10am: Debbie Downey – Reendonegan – 26<sup>th</sup> anniv.

#### Thurs. 25<sup>th</sup> Jan: The Conversion of St. Paul, Apostle:

Bantry: 10am: James Coppinger – Blackrock Road  
Goleen: 10am: No booking

#### Fri. 26<sup>th</sup> Jan: 3<sup>rd</sup> week in Ordinary Time:

Bantry: 10am: Pat & Joan Daly - Slip  
Schull: 10am: No booking

#### Sat. 27<sup>th</sup> Jan:3<sup>rd</sup> week in Ordinary Time:

Bantry: 10am: Jim O'Leary – Whiddy Island  
Bantry: 11.30am: Mass for the Indian Community

#### Offertory Collection Amounts for w/e 14<sup>th</sup> Jan:

Bantry: €1945	Schull:€645	
Goleen:€455	Muintir Bhaire: €845	Caheragh:€670

#### Special Collection for Diocesan Needs:

Bantry: €1510	Goleen: €297	Schull: €491
Muintir Bhaire: €615	Caheragh:€450	

### WORD OF GOD SUNDAY

Pope Francis declared that the Third Sunday in Ordinary Time is to be devoted to the celebration, study and dissemination of the word of God “that the life of our people be constantly marked by this Decisive relationship with the living word that the Lord never tires of speaking to his Bride” (Aperuit Illis, 2). In 2024, the Sunday of the Word of God falls on January 21 st . We thank all our Ministers of the Word in our Family of Parishes for proclaiming the Word of God at Mass.

#### Died Recently:

We extend our prayers & sympathy to the families, relatives & friends of:

**John Scully – Glounaphooka, Caheragh**

Rest in Peace

Preparing for Marriage? Weekend residential courses available. 26-28 April and 20-22 September 2024.  
Details: [www.grasta.org](http://www.grasta.org) or at [info@grasta.org](mailto:info@grasta.org)

Reflection/Meditation on Sunday's Gospel: Presented By Ruah Retreat Team  
Join us for free online weekly sessions to strengthen our hope and nourish the soul. Sunday Evenings 6.45p.m. (Online via Zoom). Further enquiries & bookings to [info@ruahrest.com](mailto:info@ruahrest.com)

Mass for our Indian Community takes place in Bantry Church next Saturday, 27<sup>th</sup> January at 11.30am.

WORLD DAY OF THE SICK: Takes place on Sunday 11th February (Feast of Our Lady of Lourdes) There will be a celebration of the Sacrament of the anointing of the sick in St Finbarr's Church, Bantry that afternoon at 3.00pm.

2024 Rotas (Jan-June) for Ministers of the Word & the Eucharist, Cantors & Collectors in Bantry Church are available now. Please call to the Sacristy/Parish Office to collect your rota. Thank you. We ask that all Ministers arrange a sub if you cannot attend on your scheduled day.

#### School Notices

Coomhola National School New Infant Enrollment Day will take place on the morning of Friday 9th February. All are welcome to come and meet the principal & staff on the day. Enrollment form available on our website [Coomholans.ie](http://Coomholans.ie) For info.Email: [secretary@coomholans.ie](mailto:secretary@coomholans.ie) Tel: 027-51173

Our Lady of Mercy N.S., Bantry Enrolment Day: Our Lady of Mercy N.S. is now enrolling Junior Infants for September 2024. Enrolment Day: Thursday 25th January at 1pm. Phone: 027 50590 Email: [principal@olomns.ie](mailto:principal@olomns.ie)

#### Community Notices:

West Cork Rapid Response are launching their new emergency response jeep on Sunday 21st January in Ballinascorthy Hall between 3pm - 5pm and invite our communities, sponsors and loyal supporters to join us, to see where they money has gone and to meet Dr Jason, paramedics and the team. All welcome.

BirthWave Baby Fair Sunday 28th January at the Westlodge, 1-5pm. An umbrella of service providers and vendors for everything you'll need for a family expecting a baby or with young children. Expert speakers throughout the afternoon. Free goodie bag and raffle. For more information visit FB BirthWave Baby Fair or contact 086 208 0762.

The next meeting of the Bantry Cardiac Support Group will take place on Tuesday 30th January 2024 in the Christian Fellowship Building Bantry at 8 p.m. This meeting will be our AGM. Any person that has suffered a cardiac event, have cardiac related concerns and / or their family members are welcome

West Cork Music Concert in St Brendan's Church on 2 February. The pianist, Finghin, has played in Bantry many times and is probably the best pianist in the country, so it's well worth coming to.

Bantry Blues joins IRELAND LIGHTS UP in partnership with RTE Operation Transformation. Join us on Wednesdays Evenings in Wolfe Tone Park at 7pm. Bring your hi-vis vest.

ALONE the organisation that enables older people age at home are looking for Telephone and Visitation Volunteers to support older people in the community. Call [0818 222 024](tel:0818222024) please or see [ALONE.ie/Volunteer](http://ALONE.ie/Volunteer) for more info.'