



BANTRY FAMILY OF PARISHES NEWSLETTER

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SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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Holy Hour with Rosary and Benediction in Lowertown Church on Sunday the 23rd of February, 2025 from 4 - 5pm.

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

Damien O'Sullivan – London & Beach, Bantry

Denis Martin (Denny, Mattie) Murphy – Derrinard, (The Laurels, Mill Road), Ballydehob / Skibbereen

Veronica (Ronnie) Campion (née O'Reilly) – Coorydorrigan, Schull / Beaumont, Dublin

REST IN PEACE

Community Notices

ALONE is a charity that supports older people to age at home and connect with their communities. On Wednesday 26th Feb. from 11 am to 1 pm Support Co-Ordinator with ALONE Stefan Dodds will attend the Wednesday gathering at Gortalassa Old School House P75XY70 to give a very informative presentation. He will outline the full range of services available and will answer any questions the public have. If you or any of your family would like to learn more about this useful range of supports or if you think volunteering with Alone might be for you then come alone and join in. Everyone is welcome to attend. Tea & coffee will be available. Contact 086 3267326 if you have queries

Cardiac Support Group: The February 2025 meeting of the Bantry and Surrounding Areas Cardiac Support Group will be held on Tuesday, February 25th at 8 p.m. in the Bantry Primary Care Centre (The South Doc Building) P75 T611. This month's speaker is Claire Hurley. Claire is the Health Promotion & Improvement Officer (West Cork) and will present on the initiatives spearheaded by the Team in West Cork. Blood pressure taken from 7.30pm.

Fun Art Morning in Goleen: Join us on Tuesday 25th February at 12pm in the Goleen Community Centre for a morning of fun and Art Gelli Printing. No previous art experience is necessary, all levels welcome. All materials are supplied. Just bring yourself and an apron! If you would like to have lunch, please contact Catherine on 086 818 8387 to book by Monday 24th February €5.00 per person. (*If you have any special dietary requirements, please let us know beforehand*) For further information contact Lorna Harte on 087 400 1763

Road Safety Promotion Workshop – Ballydehob: Topics: Planning your journey Be prepared – What to have in your vehicle Winter Ready Driving. Safe Driving with medical conditions. Motor way driving. Roundabouts. Vehicle maintenance and security. Community Garda Brigid Hartnett will be in attendance. Light refreshments will be provided. Date: 26th February 2025. Venue: Ballydehob Community Hall. Time: 11am- 1pm. This morning is being hosted by Cork County Council and the Family Carers and Older Person Initiative. For info. contact Lorna Harte on 087400763

Bantry Citizens Information Centre are looking for volunteers who are available for one day per week to join our team. We are looking for caring and resourceful people who are comfortable working in an office environment, with good listening, interpersonal communication and IT skills, ideally with some knowledge of public services. We offer selected applicants full training, support, the opportunity to meet new people in a friendly rewarding environment and most of all the opportunity to help others. Tel: 0818078390 or email: bantry@citinfo.ie for an application pack.

Calendar: Mass Times and Intentions :-

Saturday: 22nd Feb: The Chair of St. Peter, Apostle:

Bantry: 6.15pm: Jerry & Jane Cronin and Sheila & Sonny Cronin – Rock Villas

Catherine O'Connor – Old Barrack Road – 27th anniv.

Angela Delaney – Blackrock Road

John, Paddy, Anthony Harrington. May Harrington Finkle

Sheila Leahy McDonagh – Baurgorm

Jimmy & Eily Andrews – Scart Road

Johnny Keane – Pearsons Bridge & London (Recent death)

Dromore: 8pm: No booking

Lowertown: 8pm: Micheal & Molly Collins - Ardnavinna.

Seamus & Patricia Collins - Lowertown

Sun. 23rd Feb: Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time:

Bantry: 9am: Teresa O'Luasa – The Square, Bantry

Mary Casey – Market Street & Whiddy Island – 10th anniv.

Gretta O'Sullivan – The Brewery, Seskin

Special Intention

Jimmy O'Shea – Goureebeg – 30th anniv.

Ballydehob: 9.00am: Anne & Declan Cronin – Rathravane

Paddy Hodnett – Ballydehob – Months Mind

John O'Sullivan – Shountellig, Dunbeacon – 1st anniv.

Durrus: 10am: Kevin Nolan – Gearhameen – 1st anniv.

Marian Nolan – Gearhameen

Dean Daly – Ardageena

Sheila Roycroft - Durrus

Kealkil: 10.30am: Paul O'Neill – Breenybeg – Months Mind

Michael, Mary & Margaret Cronin – Cappabue

Cornelius, Margaret & Barry O'Sullivan – Kealkil

Donal (Donie) O'Regan – Dromaclarig

Sean McCarthy – Cappabue North

Jack Sullivan (Goulanes) & Baby Patrick Murphy -

Cappanaboul

Schull: 10.30am:

Frank Deane – Coosheen House, Schull 5th anniv.

Caheragh: 11.15am: Francis Hourihane – Caheragh N.

Kilcrohane: 11.30am:

Michael Kelleher – Ahakista – 20th anniv.

Charles McCarth – Faramanagh – 40th anniv.

Breda Daly – Eskeraha & her parents Paddy & Mary

Goleen: 12noon: Kitty & Jerry O'Connor – Goleen

Sr. Lucy Sheehan – England & Goleen

Bantry: 12noon: Johnny Connolly – Dromleigh South

John Oliver Regan – Seskin – Months Mind

Mary Twomey – Tedagh, Rooska -2nd anniv.

Cornelius, Brigid & John Hurley – Dromclough

Jeremiah Hurley – New York. John Nolan - Dublin

Calendar: Mass Times and Intentions :- Continued

Monday 24th Feb: 7th week in Ordinary Time:

Schull: 10am: No booking

Bantry: 10am: Denis McCarthy – Parade Field & San Diego – Birthday Remembrance

Tuesday 25th Feb: 7th week in Ordinary Time:

Bantry: 10am: John & Jane Kelly - Scart

Goleen: 10am: Catherine Hennessy (née Barry) – Longford & formerly of Cahir, Goleen

Wednesday 26th Feb: 7th week in Ordinary Time:

Durrus: 9am: People of the Family of Parishes

Ballydehob: 10am: NO booking

Bantry: 10am: Michael Scully – New Street

Thursday 27th Feb: 7th week in Ordinary Time:

Bantry: 10am: Florence McCarthy – High Street

Goleen: 10am: No booking

Friday 28th Feb: 7th week in Ordinary Time:

Bantry: 10am: Sarah Coakley – Blackrock Road & her daughter

Sinead Breen - Ballylickey

Schull: 10am: Ann Marie Cronin – Whitecastle, Schull

Saturday 1st March: 7th week in Ordinary Time:

Bantry HOSPITAL: 10am:

Nora Manning – Dromacousane – 4th anniv.

Year of Prayer, Listening and Discernment Family of Parish

Gatherings – Next Steps:

The meetings for Bantry Family of Parishes (Bantry, Caheragh, Goleen, Muintir Bhaire and Schull) will take place in The Westlodge Hotel, Bantry on Tuesday 25th March, Tuesday 1st April and Tuesday 8th April at 7.30pm each evening. **Those from our Family of Parishes who attended the Sunday afternoon in Fernhill House before Christmas are requested to attend the meetings in The Westlodge Hotel**

Offertory 16th Feb: Bantry: €2935 Caheragh: €935
Schull: €794 Muintir Bhaire: €680 Goleen €415

Recent Parish Baptisms:

We welcome into our Christian Community

Cillian Patrick Ryan – Coolbawn, Caheragh



Recent Parish Weddings



We congratulate the following couple who were married recently in our Family of Parishes.

Steve McCarthy & Michelle Barnett who were married on Friday 14th February 2025 in the Church of the Seven Sacraments, Lowertown.

We wish Steve & Michelle every happiness in the years ahead.