



## BANTRY FAMILY OF PARISHES NEWSLETTER

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Fourth Sunday of Easter

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Calendar: Mass Times and Intentions :-

**Sat 25<sup>th</sup> April: St. Mark, Evangelist:**  
 Bantry: 6.15pm: Conor Morrissey – Newtown – 19<sup>th</sup> anniv.  
 Kathleen Evans – The Square, Bantry  
 Mary & Patrick T. O'Sullivan - Adrigole  
 Nora O'Shea – Adrigole  
 Nora, Daniel & Pearse Leahy – Middleton  
 Dromore: 8pm: No booking  
 Lowertown: 8pm: Billy Roycroft Derryleary (25<sup>th</sup> Anniv) & all deceased family members

**Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> April: Fourth Sunday of Easter:**  
 Bantry: 9am: Ann O'Sullivan – (Newtown) - & all deceased members of the O'Sullivan Family  
 Joe Mullins – Newtown – 1<sup>st</sup> anniv.  
 Special Intention  
 Finbarr & Peggy Murphy (Glengarriff Road) & Eileen O'Brien

**Ballydehob:** 9am: Billy Roycroft - Derryleary  
 Meda Shanahan – Skibbereen & Dunbeacon – 5<sup>th</sup> anniv.  
 Ita Harrington (20<sup>th</sup> anniv) & Mark Harrington – Bantry  
 John Joe & Joan Leahy – Ballybawn, Ballydehob

**Durrus:** 10am: Fr. Dan O'Donovan – 9<sup>th</sup> anniv.

**Schull:** 10.30am: No booking

**Coomhola:** 10.30am: No booking

**Caheragh:** 11.15am: Mary Kate O'Sullivan - Gortnascreena  
 Nicholas Junior McCarthy – Colomane East – 12<sup>th</sup> anniv.  
 Intentions of the People of Bantry Family of Parishes

**Kilcrohane:** 11.30am: Paul O'Shea - Bantry  
 Linda Barry – Carrigtwohill & Ahakista  
 Fr. Jeremiah Donovan – Faramanagh  
 Jason Hegarty – Ahakista – Birthday Remembrance  
 Michael Coppinger – Bantry – Months Mind

**Goleen:** 12noon: Helen Notter - Crookhaven (20<sup>th</sup> anniv) & her sister Noreen O'Doherty.  
 John & Anne O'Donoghue – Lissigriffin  
 Michael O'Hanlon – Carrigmanus (2<sup>nd</sup> anniv) & all deceased members of the Caniffe & O'Hanlon Families

**Bantry :** 12noon: Paddy Ahern – Parade Field  
 Theresa O'Sullivan – Glencreagh – Months Mind  
 Jackie McCarthy – Ardnageeha – 3<sup>rd</sup> anniv.  
 Phil Hurley - Slip

**Mon 27<sup>th</sup> April: 4<sup>th</sup> Week of Easter:**

Bantry: 10am: Special Intention  
 Schull: 10.30am: Please note time change for Confirmation Mass

**Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> April: 4<sup>th</sup> Week of Easter:**

Bantry: 10am: Thomas O'Sullivan – Gearhies – 5<sup>th</sup> anniv.  
 Goleen: 10am: Private Intention

**Wed. 29<sup>th</sup> April: St. Catherine of Siena, Patron of Europe:**

Ballydehob: 10am: No booking  
 Bantry: 10am: William Coakley – Blackrock Road

**Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> April : 4<sup>th</sup> Week of Easter**

Bantry: 10am: Pat Moloney - Dromclough  
 Goleen: 10am: Tom Burns

**Friday 1<sup>st</sup> May: 4<sup>th</sup> Week of Easter:**

Bantry: 10am: First Friday Shared Mass  
 Schull: 10am: No booking

**Change in Mass Time in Schull & Bantry Hospital Chapel**  
 Confirmation will take place in Schull Church on tomorrow, Monday 27<sup>th</sup> April, and as a result Mass will be at 10.30am.  
 Mass in Bantry Hospital Chapel on next Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> May will take place at 9.30am due to First Holy Communion.

**Rosary at Our Lady's Grotto in Bantry Church**  
 Grounds will take place each day in May at 8pm.  
 All welcome.

**Recent Parish Baptisms:**  
 We welcome into our Christian Community  
**John Francis Burke – Dromleigh, Bantry**

**Community Call** offers a friendly call and listening service for older people, those living alone, or people living in isolated areas, predominantly in the West Cork Region, hosted by the Local Link.  
 If you are interested in this service or wish to find out more on behalf of a loved one, family member, friend or neighbour. Or alternatively if you are interested in Volunteering your time and wish to join our team.....  
 Please feel free to Contact Louise on 083 400 5125

**Darkness into Light:** Muintir Bhaire Community Council are hosting a walk in Kilcrohane on Saturday, May 9<sup>th</sup>, meeting in Creamery Yard at 4am. Walking up the Goats Path, to watch the sun rise. Meeting back at the Creamery for a well-earned cuppa and treat afterwards. Donations on the day all go to Pieta House. Come out & support, always a very special walk.

**Gortalassa Old School House:** Following a 6 wk project involving various crafts curated by local artist Constance McKenna in collaboration with the Wednesday gathering ladies at gortalassa old school house GOSH there will be an exhibition of the groups finished pieces on the last Wednesday in April 29<sup>th</sup> from 10am to 2pm. This will run in conjunction with a coffee morning to raise funds for Bru Columbanus Cork. Please come along to see the crafts and enjoy tea & lots of home baking while also supporting a wonderful charity many locals have & will in the future avail of. More info 0863267326

**Offertory Collection 19<sup>th</sup> April :** Bantry: €2705 Caheragh: €592 MuintirBhaire: €620  
 Schull: €962 Goleen: €465.  
 There will be a special collection next weekend, 2<sup>nd</sup> May, for the Church Mintenane Fund in all Churches in Bantry Family of Parishes.

**Kilcrohane NS** will be holding a used clothing recycling collection on Monday, 11<sup>th</sup> May 2026 at 8:30am. Used clothing should be placed in black bags, and bags can be dropped off and left inside the school wall on Sunday, 10<sup>th</sup> May 2026. Many thanks for your ongoing support for our small school with a big heart.

### Prayer for Vocations to the Priesthood in the Diocese of Cork and Ross

Loving God, at Baptism you have gifted each of us with a call to serve you and all people in everything we do. Give us the strength to share your message of love, justice, hope and peace in every part of our Diocese of Cork and Ross.

We ask you, Lord, for the gift of new vocations to priesthood in our Diocese. In our fatherly care, accompany those who are seeking to know your will for them. Inspire those you invite to serve as priests and fill them with the courage to answer that call. Through Christ Our Lord, Amen.

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

**John Kingston – Gordromagh, Caheragh**  
**Cathey Reid (née Kavanagh) – Ballylickey, Bantry**

### FIRST HOLY COMMUNION – MAY 2026

**Saturday 2nd May:** Kealkil N.S. and Cappabue N.S.  
**Saturday 9th May:** Coomhola N.S. and Derrycreeha N.S.  
 Dromore N.S.  
 Carrigboy N.S., Kilcrohane N.S. & Rusnacahera N.S.  
**Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> May:** Caheragh N.S. & Dreeny N.S.  
**Saturday 16th May:** Scoil Mhuire & Bharra N.S. and Dromclough N.S  
**Saturday 23rd May:** Gaelscoil Bheanntrai

**Music and song in Durrus:** Party Piece is a relaxed participatory music session for everyone. It is run by Kevin Mc Nally and regardless of musical experience, Kevin will help you to play the music that's close to your heart. All singers, instrumentalists and listeners welcome.  
 Date: Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> April. Time: 2pm to 3.30pm. Venue: Philip's Green, Durrus. To book contact Siobhan O'Leary on: 083 154 8304 For more information contact: Lorna Harte-087 400 1763 or Siobhan O'Leary -083 154 8304

**The Annual Bantry Hospice Golf Classic** takes place on May 15<sup>th</sup> and 16<sup>th</sup>, kindly sponsored by Sandoz. Teams of 3 including meal is €200. For timesheet please contact: Damian: 0863148133 / Jerry: 0860866506 / Paddy 0860485382

### Bantry Historical Society

On Monday next 27<sup>th</sup> April at 8pm in the Christian Fellowship, historian, and author, Ted O Sullivan will address Bantry Historical and Archaeological Society on the life and work of Leslie Price de Barra. Leslie was in the GPO in 1916. Later she became director of organisation of Cumann na mBan, She married Tom Barry in 1921. She went on to be chairman and President of the Irish Red Cross but there was so much more to this modest woman who dedicated her life from 1915 to 1984 to improving Ireland and the world. All are welcome. Members free entry, Non-members; €5.

**Sat 2<sup>nd</sup> May: 4<sup>th</sup> Week of Easter:**  
 Bantry Hospital: 9.30am: Please note change in time  
 Pádraig O'Donovan – Conakilty  
 John (Johnny) Crowley – Dromclough House, Bantry