



BANTRY FAMILY OF PARISHES NEWSLETTER

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SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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Calendar: Mass Times and Intentions :-

Saturday 26th July: 16th week in Ordinary Time:
Bantry: 6.15pm: Jeremiah Bob Griffin – Glenlough West
Eileen Bennett – Slip Park
Seamus O'Reilly – Ballylickey
Tadg O'Mahony – Glengarriff Road & Australia
Dromore: 8pm: No booking
Lowertown: 8pm: No booking

Sunday 27th July: 17th Sunday in Ordinary Time:
Bantry: 9am: Bernadette McCarthy – Scarbawn
Nora Quill – Dromleigh and Noel Quill
Helen Shorten – Scart
Dave & Margaret Murphy - Westpark

Ballydehob: 9am:
Fr. Vincent Cotter – San Francisco – Recently deceased
John Hickey – Skehanore, Ballydehob – 13th anniv.
Theresa Gibney Murphy – Skibbereen & Howth
Eileen O'Sullivan – Scarteenakillen, Ballydehob

Durrus: 10am: Intentions of the People of Bantry Family of Parishes
Donal O'Donovan, London & formally of Drimoleague & Durrus.
Donal Burke - Durrus.

Kealkil: 10.30am: Dan O'Rourke – Incharoe
Rachel Cronin – Cahirmuckee
Chrissie O'Mahony – Lisheens
Alan Manning & his grandparents Dan & Margaret Manning - Carriganass

Schull: 10.30am: Christy O'Brien – Dreenatra, Schull
Caheragh: 11.15am: Brian O'Regan & his grandparents
Charlie & Mary Hegarty – Caheragh
Matt & Margaret O'Sullivan - Bantry

Kilcrohane: 11.30am: Curley O'Brien – Russnacahera
Richard Tobin – Ballyruin – Birthday Remembrance
Frank Connors – Cora & USA – recently deceased

Goleen: 12noon: Denis O'Sullivan – Balteen – 15th anniv
Denis O'Shea – Blarney – 2nd anniv
Shay Casey – Cork & Crookhaven – 11th anniv.

Bantry: 12noon: James C. O'Connor – Kealkil
Wieslaw Kaplan
Jackie O'Leary – Glandart – 20th anniv.
Pat O'Driscoll – Hospital Road, Bantry – Months Mind

Monday 28th July: 17th week in Ordinary Time:
Bantry: Sheila Goggin – Reenrour East
Schull: 10am: Private Intention

Tuesday 29th July: 17th week in Ordinary Time:
Bantry: 10am: Susan McSwiney and Teddy & Mary Murphy
Goleen: 10am: Private Intention

Wednesday 30th July: 17th week in Ordinary Time:
Ballydehob 10am:
Kathy O'Regan – Raheenroe, – Birthday Remembrance
Bantry: 10m: Kathy O'Regan (née McCarthy) – Raheenroe,
Ballydehob & California – Birthday Remembrance

Thursday 31st July: 17th week in Ordinary Time:
Bantry: 10am: Donal & Nora Minehane - Donemark
Goleen: 10am: Michael O'Connell

GRAVEYARD MASSES

Mass in the Cilleanach: MONDAY 11th August at 7pm
Mass in the Abbey Graveyard: TUESDAY 12th August at 7pm.
In the event of rain Mass will be celebrated in Bantry Church
Mass in Kilmaccommogue Graveyard: FRIDAY 15th August at 3pm
In the event of rain Mass will be celebrated in Kealkil Church
Mass at Beach Mass Rock: FRIDAY 15th August at 7.00pm
In the event of rain Mass will be celebrated in Bantry Church
Please note DATES of Masses as there was an error in last weeks newsletter. Apologies for any inconvenience.

Died Recently:

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

Denis (Dinny) Byrnes
– Dromleigh, Bantry & Cullen, Tipperary

Mary Jones (née O'Donovan) – London & formerly of Newtown House, Bantry

Rest in Peace

Recent Parish Baptisms:

We welcome into our Christian Community

Freyja Alison McKenna
– Carrigboy, Durrus

Lourdes Pilgrimage

Bantry Family of Parishes & Friends
Spiritual Director: Fr. Noel O'Leary SMA
14th – 19th September 2025

Cost includes: Charter flight from Cork to Lourdes return (Tarbes or Pau airport).

All meals in Lourdes. Accommodation sharing twin or triple bedded rooms with facilities. Transfers to and from Lourdes Airport to hotel. Government taxes. For further enquiries please contact: Barter's Travelnet Cork: 92 Patrick Street, Cork Tel: 021-4851700 or John Minehane: tel. 087-8347318 or email: john.minehane@gmail.com

Holy Hour with Rosary and Benediction in Lowertown Church on Sunday the 27th of July, 2025 from 4 - 5pm.

World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly

In recent years the Sunday closest to the Feast of Ss. Joachim and Anne has been designated as 'World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly'. This year that Sunday falls on 27 July 2025. This is the 5th World Day and the theme is 'Blessed are those who have not lost hope' (Sir 14:2). Grandparents and the Elderly are central components of the life of every parish. Pope Leo XIV reminds us "embracing the elderly helps us to understand that life is more than just the present moment". He calls on every parish/diocese/movement to become a "protagonist in a 'revolution' of gratitude and care".

Ahakista Community Association presents Music by Candlelight

In St Patrick's Church, Ahakista On Thursday, 31 st July at 8pm sharp. Featuring Evelyn Grant RTE Lyric FM. Cellist Gerry Kelly Cork Pops Orchestra Sheep's Head Women's Chorus & Muintir Bháire Men's Choir. Caheragh Folk Group. Tickets contact Filema Downs on 087 9264876. All welcome

Community Notices

Caheragh Dromore Defibrillator Group continue to meet regularly to practice Cardio Pulmonary Resuscitation (CPR) and the use of Automated External Defibrillator (AED). The next practice session is on Tuesday 29th July @ 7.45 p.m. At St. Mary's Hall, Caheragh. The group continue to take responsibility for maintaining and checking all four AED's: at Dromore National School; Clancy's Cross; The Coachman's, Bauravilla and at The Traveller's Rest. We wish to thank the Parish Community for their continuing goodwill and support. Knowing how to administer CRP and to use the AED means that in the event of a heart related emergency locally trained people can access and use one of the four AED's Swift intervention has been proven to save lives.

Schull Agricultural Show plus Country Market, Sunday 27th July 2025. The event itself, a rural tradition, is one of which our local community and the many visitors of West Cork love to attend annually. The day is organised around one centre point, a family fun day out, thus showcasing the very best of west corks rural life. "

Bantry Memory Café (First Wednesday of every Month): Next Café on Weds. 6th August (11am-1pm) in the Maritime Hotel (Mizen Room). Guest Speaker: Teresa Bohane, Advanced Nurse Practitioner will update on modifying therapies in Alzheimer Disease. The free café provides a warm welcoming place for people to meet others living with dementia, their friends & family as well as health & social care professionals.

The Lord said: 'Come to me all who labour and are overburdened'

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament takes place in Bantry Church, each Friday after 10am Mass until 5pm. (From 1pm in the event of a funeral Mass). You are invited to come and spend some time in quiet prayer / meditation in the presence of the Blessed Sacrament.

Friday 1st August: 17th week in Ordinary Time:

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

Saturday 2nd August:

17th week in Ordinary Time:
Bantry HOSPITAL: 10am: No booking

Offertory 20th July: Bantry: €2050 Caheragh: €523
Muintir Bhaire: €815 Goleen: €758 Schull: €1254

Special Collection for Diocesan Needs last w/e;
Bantry: €1655 Caheragh: €425

Muintir Bhaire: €550 Goleen: €627 Schull: €889

Special Collection for Church Maintenance will take place next weekend in Bantry Family of Parishes