



# BANTRY FAMILY OF PARISHES NEWSLETTER

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SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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## Calendar: Mass Times & Intentions:-

**Sat. 27<sup>th</sup> July: 16<sup>th</sup> week in Ordinary Time:**  
Bantry: 6.15pm: Jeremiah Bob Griffin – Glenlough West  
Eileen Bennett – Slip Park  
Seamus O'Reilly – Ballylickey  
Ann McCarthy – Slip Lawn  
Dromore: 8pm: Mary Ward - Dromourneen  
Lowertown: 8pm:

**Sun 28<sup>th</sup> July: Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time:**  
Bantry: 9am: Sheila Goggin – Reenrou East  
Nora Quill - Dromleigh  
Eileen O'Driscoll - Durrus  
Ballydehob: 9.00am: John Hickey – Skeaghanore, Ballydehob  
Durrus: 10am: Michael & Katherine Healy  
Michael O'Driscoll - Gearhies

Kealkil :10.30am: Jim O'Mahony (1<sup>st</sup> anniv) & his daughter  
Aisling O'Mahony (6<sup>th</sup> anniv) – Carrignass  
Rachel Cronin – Cahirmuckee  
Chrissie O'Mahony – Lisheens  
Dan O'Rourke – Incharoe  
Alan Manning & his grandparents Dan & Margaret Manning – Carrignanass  
Angel McCarthy – Curraglass, Kealkil – Months Mind  
David Murphy – Cahirmounteen  
Margaret O'Leary Coulsen - Glencreagh – 1<sup>st</sup> anniv. & her husband John O'Leary Coulsen – Cousane – 28<sup>th</sup> anniv.  
Nora & Patrick O'Sullivan - Breenybeg

Schull:10.30am: Kevin O'Leary - Canada  
Bartholomew, Josephine & Mickey Herlihy – Ardmanagh  
Caheragh: 11.15am: Kathy Armstrong - Bishopsland  
Kilcrohane:11.30am:  
Richard Tobin – Ballyruin – Birthday Remembrance  
Goleen: 12noon: Denis O'Sullivan – Balteen,  
Shay Casey – Cork & Crookhaven (10<sup>th</sup> anniv)\0  
Bantry: 12noon: Michael O'Driscoll – USA & Gearhies (Died in the U.S. in February)

**Monday 29<sup>th</sup> July: 17<sup>th</sup> week in Ordinary Time:**  
Bantry:10am: John & Nora O'Sullivan – Bantry  
Denis & Rita Casey - Bantry  
Schull: 10am:  
**Tues 30<sup>th</sup> July: 17<sup>th</sup> week in Ordinary Time:**  
Bantry:10am: Kathy O'Regan – Ballydehob & California (Birthday Remembrance)  
Goleen: 10am: Jimmy Helen

**Wed. 31<sup>st</sup> July: 17<sup>th</sup> week in Ordinary Time:**  
Durrus: 9am: People of the Family of Parishes  
Ballydehob:10am:  
Kathy O'Regan – Ballydehob – Birthday Remembrance  
Bantry: 10am: Donal & Nora Minehane - Donemark  
**Thurs. 1<sup>st</sup> August: 17<sup>th</sup> week in Ordinary Time:**  
Bantry:10am:  
Eileen O'Grady & her son Pdraig O'Grady - Derryginagh  
Goleen: 10am:

### CHANGES IN BANTRY FAMILY OF PARISHES

Changes announced recently by Bishop Fintan Gavin take effect this weekend, 27 th /28 th July 2024. In our Family of Parishes, Canon Martin O'Driscoll will begin his ministry in the Clonakilty Family of Parishes, residing in the parish of Rosscarbery. I would like to thank Canon Martin for his ministry in Bantry Family of Parishes. He moved from Uibh Laoire Parish to become Parish Priest of Bantry seven years ago and was appointed Administrator of Muintir Bhaire Parish after the death of Fr Gerard Galvin RIP. In 2021, Bishop Fintan set up Families of Parishes in the Diocese and there after Canon Martin was appointed Co PP to the five parishes that make up our Family of Parishes. His ministry in Bantry included being on call the Bantry General Hospital. His dedication to ministering to the sick and dying always took priority. His gentle, caring presence brought consolation to all he ministered to. I would like to thank him for his friendship and wish him every blessing as he moves closer to his hometown of Clonakilty.

Fr Chris O'Donovan moves from the Harbour Parishes of Monkstown/Passage West to Schull. I welcome Fr Chris to our Family of Parishes. Fr Chris is from Timoleague and was ordained in Bandon in 1999. He has served in many parishes in the diocese both in the city and west Cork. He comes among us with a vast range of experience, and we look forward to working with him. This weekend he will celebrate Mass in Ballydehob, Schull and Goleen.

Fr. Chris and Fr Anthony will minister to the needs of the Mizen Peninsula during the week and will travel to the other parishes in our family each weekend in turn. I have moved from Schull to Bantry to reside. I, along with Fr Ben, will look after the Parishes of Bantry and Muintir Bhaire and Fr John C will look after the people of Caheragh Parish and we too will continue to go to each parish in turn for weekend Masses. Fr Myles McSweeney.

**Holy Hour with Rosary and Benediction in Lowertown Church on Sunday the 28th of July, 2024 from 4 - 5pm.**

**WEEKEND & WEEKDAY ROTAS:**  
For all Readers & Eucharistic Ministers, Collectors, & Cantors in Bantry Church. New Rotas for July 2024 to July 2025 are available from this weekend in the Sacristy. We thank all for your help & support during the past year.

**Offertory Collection last w/e: 20<sup>th</sup>/21<sup>st</sup> July 2024:**  
Bantry: €2160, Schull: €1097 Goleen:€730  
Muintir Bhaire: €1030 Caheragh: €785  
Special Collection last weekend for Diocesan Needs: Bantry: €1540, Schull: €805 Muintir Bhaire: €580 Caheragh: €585

**Died Recently:** We extend our prayers & sympathy to the families, relatives & friends of:  
**Alex Hegarty – Ballyrisode, Goleen**  
**Anna O'Donovan (née Donohue) – Colomane East, Bantry / Bagnelstown, Carlow**  
Rest in Peace

**Recent Parish Baptisms:** We welcome into our Christian Community  
**Robbie Joe Downey – Reendonegan, Bantry**  
**Ellie Michelle Downey – Reendonegan, Bantry**  
**Elsie Rosemarie McCarthy – Cahermuckee, Kealkil**  
**Anna O'Donovan – Lassarroe, Skibbereen**  
**Liam Donal McSweeney – South Terrace, Schull**

### Community Notices

**Bright Beginnings Childcare Facility in Caheragh** is holding a Bingo fundraiser to raise money to replace a fence that collapsed during the storms last year. The Bingo will be held on the 28th July at 3pm in Augaville Hall. Everyone is welcome.

Kate Manning will be busking for **West Cork Down Syndrome Support Group** on Saturday 3rd August, 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!

**Save The Date: Caheragh Annual Vintage Threshing** - takes place on Sunday 13th October 2024.

**MEALAGH VALLEY COMMUNITY HALL** : Progressive 45 CARDS Sat 27th July 8.30pm. JACKPOT BINGO €320 in the pot..Thurs 8th August at 8pm

**Bantry Memory Café:** Vanessa Bradbury, Dementia Advisor with the Alzheimer's Society of Ireland is our guest speaker for August's Café. Join us for a talk on 'Brain Health' and learn positive, everyday actions for a healthy brain and body that can potentially reduce the risk of cognitive decline or Alzheimer's and dementia. The café takes place on Wed 7th Aug from 11am to 1pm in the Maritime Hotel.

**Schull Parish Fundraiser: Coffee Morning and Raffle** in Schull Parish Hall on next Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> August after 10.30am Mass. Enjoy a chat & a cuppa.

**Betty's Tea Party in Aid of Marymount Hospice Cork:** The event will take place on Sat., August 24th at Thomond Square, conveniently located across from the South Infirmary Hospital. Time: 11:00 AM – 3:00 PM . Parking: Free parking available at the South Infirmary Hospital. All proceeds will go towards Marymount Hospice Cork helping patients & families.

**Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> August<sup>th</sup> July: 17<sup>th</sup> week in Ordinary Time:**  
Bantry: 10am: First Friday Shared Mass  
Schull: 10am: No booking  
**Sat. 3<sup>rd</sup> August: 17<sup>th</sup> week in Ordinary Time:**  
Bantry Hospital: 10am: Ken Roche – Cork & Bristol