



BANTRY FAMILY OF PARISHES NEWSLETTER

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Easter Day of the Lord's Resurrection

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Calendar: Mass Times and Intentions :-

Sat 4th April: Holy Saturday:

Durrus: Easter Vigil: 7pm

Bantry: Easter Vigil: 8pm

Caheragh: Easter Vigil: 8pm

Lowertown: Easter Vigil: 8pm

Sun. 5th April: Easter Day of the Lord's Resurrection:

Bantry: 9am: Donnacha O'Donoghue – Caherdaniel West, Bantry

Con McGrath – Bantry – Birthday Remembrance

Patrick & Ellen McGrath – Newtown East

Eoin McSweeney – 5th anniv.

William & Nora Donegan, and Jimmy & Annie O'Shea and their grandson Paul O'Shea.

Jimmy Kearns – Cahir – Birthday Remembrance

Ballydehob: 9am: Josephine & Charles O'Regan – Ballydehob

Francie (2nd anniv) & Celia Maguire – Main Street, Ballydehob

Philomena (Phil) Duggan – East End & Dublin - 2nd anniv

Durrus: 10am: Noel Daly - Derryvahalla

Schull: 10.30am: No booking

Kealkil: 10.30am: Cornie & Nell McSweeney – Lisheens.

Deceased members of the McSweeney & O'Flynn Families – Shronagaoithe

Mary & Danny McCarthy and Abbie & James McCarthy – Cappabui.

Michael & Ellen O'Shea, Danny & Jerry O'Shea & deceased members of the O'Shea & McCarthy Families – Moulavanig

Curley Keohane – Dromlickacruie – 5th anniv.

Nigel Kingston – Lisheens

John & Mary O'Rourke - Incharoe

Caheragh: 11.15am: Peggy Cadogan – Glounaphooka – 10th anniv.

Mikey, Kitty & Michael Hourihan – Dreeny

Florence O'Mahony - Ballyourane

Pat McCarthy - Bishopsland and Bishopstown - 1st Anniv.

Intentions of People of Bantry Family of Parishes

Kilcrohane: 11.30am: No booking

Goleen: 12noon: No booking

Bantry: 12noon: Úna Crowley – Dromloughlin – 1st anniv.

Elena Moscoso Panganiban – New Jersey (recently deceased)

Nessa Dixon

Kathleen Daly - Dromourneen

Mon 6th April: Easter Monday:

Bantry: 10am: Johnny O'Leary – Caherdaniel

John O'Reilly – Newtown East

Schull: 12 NOON:

Mary Kate & Michael Hurley – Dreenatra, Schull

Tuesday 7th April: Easter Tuesday:

Bantry: 10am: Neily & Harry Johnson – Gilhooleys Terrace

Goleen: 10am: Tadgh & Delia Wilcox - Ballyvogue

Wednesday 8th April: Easter Wednesday:

Ballydehob: 10am: Mary McSweeney – Knockroe, Ballydehob

Bantry: 10am: Denis Keohane – Drinagh & Bantry

Thursday 9th April: Easter Thursday:

Bantry: 10am: John O'Sullivan – Nottingham & Marion Terrace

Goleen: 10am: Brian Crowley

Friday 10th April: Easter Friday:

Bantry: 10am: Special Intention

Schull: 10am: John & Catherine O'Leary – Dunlough, Goleen

Sat 11th April: Easter Saturday:

Bantry Hospital: 10am: Mary & Jimmy Kearns – St. Canners Pl

Recent Parish Baptisms:

We welcome into our Christian Community
Caragh Amelia McSweeney - Coomanore, Bantry
Aaron Miyenhyrah Tomaoh Adjei &
Nkunim Nana Mirekuh Adjei
– An Cnocán Estate, Bantry
Emma Kate Hurley – Lassnaroe, Skibbereen

Family Carer Yoga Morning: Come and join us for a morning Yoga and relaxation in Ballydehob Yoga is a great way to get everybody moving. It can help with flexibility, strength, discipline, & mindfulness. Yoga offers a multitude of health benefits for all. Venue: Ballydehob Community Hall. All Family Carers Welcome. For queries, please contact Lorna from the Family Carers & Older Person's Initiative on 087 400 1763

Monster Easter Bingo, Sunday 5th April, at Bantry Boy's Club at 3pm. Doors open at 2pm. Prizes worth €1,000. Fundraiser for the Bantry Bay Lion's Club.

Muintir Bháire Ladies Gaelic Football Team will host their annual Cake Sale and Raffle this Easter Sunday morning from 10.30am, up in Philips Green. All support would be greatly appreciated. Come early to avoid disappointment.

Durrus Bingo: The bingo sessions in Durrus Hall on Sunday afternoons have now ended for the current season. Thanks are extended to all who supported the event over the winter months. The next session is planned to coincide with the Durrus festival in late June.

National Learning Network: Nationwide Open Day: Wednesday 15th April (11am-1pm). Join us to tour our centre, meet students & Staff! We offer range of free, supportive, person-centred training courses in an inclusive environment to help you get a job or further education. Tel. 027-51027 or www.nln.ie

National Spring Clean: In conjunction with An Taisce's "National Spring Clean" and KWD's "County Clean-Up Day", Bantry Tidy Towns are organising a major litter-pick on next Saturday, April 11th. Meet-up time is 11am at the fountain in the Square. If people have them, they can bring along their own gloves, hi-vis and litter-picker. If not, BTT will provide them. They will also supply them with KWD bags. Clean-up packs can also be obtained by contacting any Bantry Tidy Towns committee member or email bantrytidytowns@gmail.com
If you cannot come on the 11th, you can also pick up litter over the preceding days whether that's in town or areas close to Bantry. The bags of litter can be brought to outside of the Old Cinema in Bantry where they will be collected by KWD.

Easter Greetings

We, the Priests of our Family of Parishes, would like to wish all the People of Bantry, Caheragh, Goleen, Muintir Bhaire & Schull Parishes, both at home and abroad, especially those who are ill and those who are not able to travel home, a very holy, happy and peaceful Easter 2026.

A sincere thanks to all parishioners in our Family of Parishes for your generosity in the Station Dues, Easter collection & Easter envelopes this year. We very much appreciate all your kindness, support & generosity.

Fr. Myles, Fr. Chris, Fr. Anthony, Fr. Ben & Fr. John

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

**Patrick (Pat) Moloney – Green Fingers Farm,
The Mealagh Valley, Bantry**

BANTRY FAMILY OF PARISHES AND FRIENDS

LOURDES PILGRIMAGE 2026 - 13th – 18th September 2026

Spiritual Director: Fr. Noel O'Leary SMA

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 & from Lourdes airport to Hotel. Government Taxes. For further enquiries please contact John & Marian Minehane: 087-8347318 or john.minehane@gmail.com or Barter's Travelnet Cork: 92 Patrick Street, Cork: 021- 4851700

Divine Mercy Sunday in St. Patrick's Cathedral, Skibbereen on the 12th of April beginning at 2.30pm. Blessing of Image, Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, Rosary, Confessions, Divine Mercy Chaplet & Benediction. Concluding @ 4pm (approx). All are welcome.

Apostolate of Eucharistic Adoration – KNOCK Pilgrimage 2026

A Call to Prayer & adoration. Pilgrimage Day: Sunday 19th April: 10.30am-5pm.

Bus leaving Ballydehob at 3.55am on Sun. 19th April.

Those interested in going please contact Phil on 086-1238356

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

The next meeting of the **Bantry and Surrounding Areas Cardiac Support Group** will be held on Tuesday 7th April at 8 p.m. in the Bantry Primary Care Centre (The South Doc Building), P75 T611. At this meeting, Clare O'Sullivan, PHN Diabetes and CVD Prevention Nurse will be our Speaker. Blood pressure from 7.30. Refreshments and discussion after.

Offertory Collection 29th March: Bantry: €2100 Caheragh: €545 MuintirBhaire: €560
Schull: €729 Goleen: €970

Special collection for Diocesan Needs last weekend: Bantry: €1855 Caheragh: €370
MuintirBhaire: €445 Schull: €260 Goleen: €550

There will be no collection for the Church Maintenance Fund on this weekend, 5th April, as it is Easter Sunday. There will be a collection for Easter for the Priests of the family of Parishes.