



# BANTRY FAMILY OF PARISHES NEWSLETTER

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SECOND SUNDAY OF CHRISTMAS

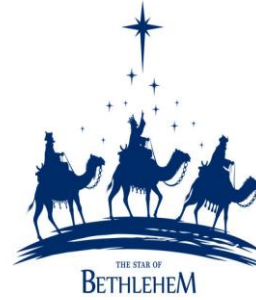
5<sup>TH</sup> JANUARY 2025

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## Calendar: Mass Times and Intentions :-

**Sat.4<sup>th</sup> Jan: Before Epiphany**  
Bantry: 6.15pm: Joan & Timmy McCarthy – St. Caneras Place  
Kathleen Smyth – Summerhill, Bantry  
Special Intention  
Ann Dennehy – Market Street – 10<sup>th</sup> anniv.  
Dromore: 8pm: Sean Buckey – Colomane West – Months Mind  
Lowertown: 8pm: Denis O'Mahony - Castlepoint.  
Kitty and Timmy O'Regan - Castlepoint.

**Sun.5<sup>th</sup> Jan: Second Sunday of Christmas:**  
Bantry: 9am: Timothy & Katleen Daly – Dromore  
Donal Dwyer – Dunmanway  
Special Intention  
Pa Barry - Raheen House  
Tom Moynihan - Cork  
Ballydehob: 9.00am: Mary & Pat Barry – Rathravane, Ballydehob  
Fr. William Coughlan & Dermie Coughlan– Main Street, Ballydehob  
Jeremiah & Margaret O'Brien – Dunbeacon  
Stephen & Kate O'Brien – Ballycumisk, Ballydehob  
Durrus: 10am: No booking  
Coomhola: 10.30am: Tade Cadogan – Cooleenlemane, Coomhola  
Schull: 10.30am: Den & Vera O'Sullivan – Seaview Terrace, Schull  
Kathy & Denis Collins - Caherlaska  
Caheragh: 11.15am: Paddy Coughlan - Coolbui  
Kilcrohane: 11.30am: Mary Daly – Eskeraha  
Betty Lehane – Fawnmore – Birthday Remembrance  
Goleen: 12noon: Michael O'Reilly – Goleen – 1<sup>st</sup> anniv.  
Bantry: 12noon: Tim Casey – Cahernacrin  
Margaret McGrath & Ann Healy (née McGrath)  
Mary, Norah, Bridie, Julie, Dennis, Jackie, Jerry, Paddy, John,  
Bridget & Sean McGrath – Gurteenroe  
Ella & John McCarthy – Cork  
Bantry: 6.15pm Vigil Mass:  
Lowertown: 8pm: No booking



### The Jubilee Prayer 2025

Father in heaven, may the faith you have given us  
In your son, Jesus Christ, our brother  
And the flame of charity enkindled  
In our hearts by the Holy Spirit,  
Reawaken in us the blessed hope  
For the coming of your Kingdom.  
May your Grace transform us  
Into tireless cultivators of the seeds of the Gospel.  
May those seeds transform from within  
Both humanity and the whole cosmos  
into the sure expectation of a new heaven and a new earth  
When, with the powers of Evil vanquished,  
Your glory will shine eternally.  
May the Grace of the Jubilee reawaken in us,  
*Pilgrims of Hope,*  
a yearning for the treasures of heaven.  
May that same grace spread the joy and peace of  
our Redeemer throughout the earth.  
To you our God, eternally blessed,  
Be glory and praise for ever. Amen

### The Feast of the Epiphany

#### Schedule for the Holy Day on Jan 5<sup>th</sup> /6<sup>th</sup>

Vigil Masses: Bantry at 6.15pm and Lowertown at 8pm  
Masses on the Holyday will be:  
Schull at 10.30am  
Kilcrohane at 11.30am,  
Bantry at 12noon  
Caheragh at 7.00pm on the evening of the Feast Day.

**Please Note: Change to Saturday Morning Mass: Due To Flu Restrictions in Bantry General Hospital the 10am Saturday Morning Mass in the Hospital Chapel will be celebrated in Bantry Church for the month of January.**

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

**Seamus Glanville – Gurrans, Caheragh**  
**Patrick (Paddy) Regan – Ardnatrush, Glengarriff**  
**Cian McCarthy – Illane, Kealkill**  
**Nuala Egan (née Foley) - Schull**

May they rest in Peace

### Recent Parish Baptisms:

We welcome into our Christian Community

**Molly Marie Dunlea – Sydney, Australia**  
**Ella Gibbs – Church Road, Bantry**  
**Emma Kate Daly – Augaville, Bantry**



### Bantry Family of Parishes & Friends Spiritual Director: Fr. Noel O'Leary SMA 14<sup>th</sup> – 19<sup>th</sup> 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](mailto:john.minehane@gmail.com)**

### Community Notices

**Speed Dating Evening for Catholics aged 20-45 in aid of Mary's Meals: On Saturday 18th January at 7pm at the Kingsley Hotel, Cork, meet other single Catholics who share your faith in a fun and relaxed environment. This in-person event is the perfect opportunity to meet like-minded individuals while raising money for the amazing charity Mary's Meals. Tickets €23, available on [www.eventbrite.ie](http://www.eventbrite.ie), search for 'Speed Dating Evening for Catholics' & put Cork as the location.**

**Are You Looking for Work? Employability Service. A free confidential employment service for West Cork. Do any of the following apply to you: We have job coaches with job seekers providing tailored support such as Career decisions, help with CV's, interview skills & contacting employers. Contact Eibhlín Crowley on **086-8126324** or [eibhincrowley@empwc.org](mailto:eibhincrowley@empwc.org)**

**Offertory Collection 22<sup>nd</sup> Dec:** Bantry: €2275 Caheragh: €665  
Schull: €935 Muintir Bhaire: €655 Goleen €  
**Offertory Collection 29<sup>th</sup> Dec:** Bantry: €2035 Caheragh: €795  
Schull: €957 Muintir Bhaire: €790 Goleen €540  
Special Collection for Diocesan Needs 1 will be taken up next weekend 11<sup>th</sup>/12<sup>th</sup> January

**Celebrating Altar Servers:** Altar servers are a really important ministry in each of our Parishes. Since Covid some Parishes have struggled to re-engage Altar Servers. The Office for Mission and Ministry and the Coordinator for Youth Ministry are looking at ways of supporting Parishes to develop or introduce Altar Servers. A first step is to gather with all of our Altar Servers and those priests and adult volunteers who look after them to celebrate Altar Serving in a fun atmosphere and to look at how we can together develop this ministry. We are gathering on **Saturday, January 25<sup>th</sup> from 2.30pm to 4.00pm** (venue to be confirmed).

**Monday 6<sup>th</sup> Jan: The Epiphany of the Lord:**  
**NOTE MASS TIMES FOR HOLY DAY**  
Schull: 10.30am: Special Intention  
Kilcrohane: 11.30am: Paddy Arundel - Kilcrohane  
Bantry: 12noon: Special Intention  
Dan O'Mahony – Dromclough & Cork – 1<sup>st</sup> anniv.

**Tues 7<sup>th</sup> Jan: After Epiphany:**  
Bantry: 10am: Fred & Eileen Coleman – Marino Street  
Goleen: 10am: Private Intention

**Wed. 8<sup>th</sup> Jan: After Epiphany:**  
Durrus: 9am: People of the Family of Parishes  
Ballydehob: 10am: No Booking

Bantry: 10am:  
Eileen O'Grady & her son Pdraig O'Grady - Derryginagh  
**Thurs. 9<sup>th</sup> Jan: After Epiphany:**  
Bantry: 10am: Kerri O'Connell  
Goleen: 10am: No booking

**Friday 10<sup>th</sup> Jan: After Epiphany:**  
Bantry : 10am: Special Intention  
Schull: 10am: No booking

**Sat. 11<sup>th</sup> Jan: After Epiphany:**  
Bantry Church: 10am: PLEASE NOTE CHANGE IN VENUE:  
Nora, Pat, Michael & Ellen Cadogan – Church Road