

## Co Parish Priests

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Priest on Duty for the Area this Sunday – Emergency calls  
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## Intentions for this weekend

**6.30pm** Kitty Fitzgerald, Railway bar 8th Anniv.  
Paddy & Kit Donovan and deceased family members  
John Brennan Senior & Junior USA & Killarney road.

**9.15am** Ita O'Connell, Kilmanihan Anniv.  
Fintan & Mary Ann Collins Knocknasna.

**12noon** Pascal McCarthy, Shanbally Anniv.

**Mon 7pm** Peggy Moloney, Knocknasna Anniv.

**Tues 10am** Eva White, Killarney Road Anniv.

**Wed 10am** Pro Populo

**Thurs 10am** Friday 10am

**Sat 11am** Patrick (sonny) O'Sullivan The Hill  
Mary B Kelly, Knocknasna Anniv.

## Intentions for next weekend

**6.30pm** James & Bridget O'Mara, Church Street.

**9.15am** Gerard & Bridget O'Donnell, Ballaugh

**12noon** Bridget Naughton nee Foley Anniv.  
Peg Cunningham nee Riordan late of  
Ballybehy & Galway Anniv.

## Death

We offer our sympathy to the family of  
Bridie Collins, Mountmahon whose funeral took place  
on Saturday. May she rest in peace.

## Pope Francis Quotes

“God is very close indeed; the big secret is that we  
walk the world of the divine all the time.  
Allow yourself to experience some of those caresses  
today. Watch nature come alive”

‘Each creature has its own purpose.  
None is superfluous. The entire material universe  
speaks of God’s love, God’s boundless affection for  
us. Soil, water, mountains; everything is ,  
as it were a caress of God (84) Laudato Si

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## ‘Save the Planet – Our Common Home’

In June 2015 Pope Francis published a document (Encyclical) Laudato Si’, in which he calls for action at local, national and international levels to combat ecological destruction, and in particular the future threat and current reality of climate change. Speaking in the strongest terms in defence of the environment as “our common home,” Pope Francis warns of the unprecedented destruction of ecosystems as a result of human activity, clearly outlining the threats to future generations as a result of our actions.

“This Encyclical is one of the most significant Church documents in a generation. It is a powerful wake-up call to a world sleep-walking into disaster. Pope Francis has clearly aligned the Catholic Church with calls for urgent political action to reduce carbon emissions and set the world on the path to a sustainable future.

The consequences of climate change are evident on a daily basis. Drought, flooding, storms and forced migration are all on the rise. Although we are insulated from the worst impacts in Ireland, we must not forget that hundreds of millions of people around the world are struggling to survive in great part due to the changing climate. Pope Francis said that “We are custodians of this planet and we have a clear moral obligation to ensure that everyone has access to its abundant resources, and that we hand it to future generations in a condition that is compatible with life.”

## Prayer for a better world

St Francis of Assisi. Let me be an instruments of conservation..  
Where there are renewable resources, let there be recycling.

Where there is pollution, let us clean up

Where there is no forest, let us plant trees.

Where there is a disaster, let us rebuild

Where there is a glut of food, let us give to those less fortunate.

Oh, Patron saint of ecology, give us the courage to admit the wrong we’ve done to the environment, not to say “ what’s done is done” but to right the wrong that has been done.

Let us have the courage to co-operate with our neighbours

To make the earth as beautiful a place as God intended.



To see the pictures in colour check out parish website

## Lectio Divina

Will take place during Lent Each Friday morning at approx. 10.20 after the 10am Mass. Reading and meditation on the gospel for the following Sunday with the aim of making the gospel a reality in our lives. All are welcome.

**Stations of the Cross** will take place before mass each Friday 9.45am during Lent.

## Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Adoration recommences on Monday at 8am for 13 hours **8am –9pm.**

### Monday to Friday.

The chart is beside the tabernacle if you wish to sign for an hour.

There are some places vacant on the chart.

**OPEN DAY:** An invitation has been issued by the Board of St Ita's Sheltered Housing to their Open Day on Saturday April 27.

## Athea Lourdes Pilgrimage

A Variety Concert in aid of the Athea Lourdes Invalid Fund will take place in St Bartholomew's Church, Athea on Sun 31<sup>st</sup> March at 7pm  
Tickets €10. Contact Fr Tony. 087/2600414

**Limerick Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes** will take place this year from **June 20th to 25th.** All Assisted (Invalid ) Pilgrims applications to be submitted to Lourdes Office before the end of April.

**Lourdes Invalid Collection takes place here this weekend 23/24th March**

Mary MacArthur in association with the **Wednesday Club** are holding a Tea Dance in memory of Hughie in Fr Casey's GAA Hall, Abbeyfeale. 3 -6pm on Sunday 14th April. All proceeds to Milford Care Centre. Music by Mike Condon. Tickets €5 from 087 6377310.

GROW COMMUNITY MENTAL HEALTH MOVEMENT IN IRELAND.

Meet on Wednesday's at 8pm in the Seanchai Centre, Listowel. This programme is open to all and is free of charge. No introductions needed. Just come along. For more information, contact Jerry, 086 0271990.

UNDERSTANDING YOUTH MENTAL HEALTH Is a one-day interactive workshop for those working or volunteering with young people. The programme is designed and run by Jigsaw. The programme runs at Listowel Family Resource Centre on March 21 from 9.30am 4.30pm. Contact 068 23584.

## The Garden of Daily Living Plant 3 rows of peas

Peace of mind, Peace of Heart, Peace of soul

## Plant four rows of squash

Squash gossip, Squash indifference, Squash grumbling  
Squash selfishness

## Plant four rows of lettuce

Lettuce be faithful , Lettuce be kind, Lettuce be patient,  
Lettuce really love one another

