

Tralee and Dingle October Newsletter 2019.

	Ballyseedy	Tralee	Ballymac	Kilgobbin	Dingle
Date	9.45 am	10.45 am	12 noon	10.00 am	12 noon
6 th October		Celebration At 4pm		HC	HC
13 th October			Harvest at 11am	Harvest at 3pm	
20 th October	MP	MP	MP	HC	MP
27 th October	No Service	HC	HC	MP	HC

The Holy Communion is celebrated in St. John's every Wednesday morning at 11 am, followed by coffee and fellowship in the Ashe Hotel. All welcome.

Bicentenary and Harvest St Johns Ashe Street.

What a really wonderful celebration we enjoyed last Sunday afternoon in St Johns. It was a joyful and happy occasion and it will live long in our memories. I hope it will energise us for the future and remind us of the treasure that we have in the building and in the Gospel message that we have been entrusted with.

It was made possible by the generosity and creativity of so many of our parishioners, churchwardens and friends. Words of thanks don't come close to expressing my deep appreciation and gratitude for all the wonderful work that was done in advance, by that body of volunteers who prepared the grounds, decorated the church, provided a wonderful array of home baking, served the tea, cleaned up afterwards, participated in the liturgy, sang in the choir or played the drums at the gate, organised the parking and welcomed people to the Church.

We were delighted to Welcome the Archbishop of Armagh, The Most Rev Richard Clarke who preached, The Most Rev Ray Brown Bishop of Kerry who read the Gospel and Bishop Kenneth Kearon who celebrated the Holy Communion as well as local clergy from the town and neighbouring parishes. It was good to welcome the former Rector, Canon Robert Warren who came from Dublin after his harvest thanksgiving celebration in Taney to be with us.

Many thanks to our own Choir and Organist and to Aidan O'Carroll, The Kerry Chamber Choir, The Choir of St Marys Cathedral in Killarney. **Many Thanks To You All for your support.**

More Harvests.

This Sunday, October 13th the Harvest Thanksgiving will be celebrated with a united service 11am in Ballymac, Preacher Andrew Coleman from Christian Aid. Later that afternoon he will preach at the Harvest Thanksgiving Service at Kilgobbin at 3.00pm. This will also be an opportunity to say farewell to Ellen Knapp who is returning to live in America. Refreshments afterwards in the Old School Rooms.

Links ladies will meet on Monday October 21st at 8pm in Teach an tSolais. This month a representative from Horan's Health Stores will give a presentation on cosmetics and toiletries with a focus on natural ingredients and environmentally friendly products. The presentation will hopefully assist us in making more informed choices when purchasing and give us a clearer understanding of labeling, (ie. which ingredients to look for and which to avoid). The evening is open to everyone so please feel free to join us.

1st Tralee Company, The Boys' Brigade: We were delighted to see so many boys and girls register for the Boys' Brigade on Friday (October 4th) we look forward to an exciting session ahead with you all. As part of our environmental awareness we have created a Be Bee Friendly garden in the Church Grounds. We will be making some Bee and Butterfly houses to complete the project. If anyone has a interest in carpentry and would like to help with this project we would be delight to welcome you (We will supply materials). Also if you feel you have a talent that you would like to share with the company we would love you to come along and show case this with the members. No talent to big or too small. Captain Collette Price 086 318 8736. The Boys' Brigade have sponsored a Pollinator Friendly Garden in the church grounds as part of a biodiversity project including their Beach Garden, Bird Table and Bug Hotel. The garden has been planted with pollinator friendly bulbs for next spring and will be developed in time with additional planting. A mural depicting a friendly bumble bee and the slogan "Be Bee Friendly" was painted on the church wall.

Soup Kitchen

People have enquired how to donate money to the Soup Kitchen and Collette informs me that they have a GoFundMe page at <https://www.gofundme.com/f/tralee-soup-kitchen> or if they prefer to contact Collette directly her number is 086 318 8736.

Sympathy

To the family of the late Dick Mason of Caherleaheen who died recently. Dick resided in the Community nursing hospital for the last two years , his funeral service took place in Ballysee 15th September followed by burial in the adjoining burial ground.

We express our sympathy to his wife Ann, to his children Lucy, Keith, Stephen and Alan and families and to his sisters Carol and Merry and their families.

To the Family of William Lenihan of Flembly Ballymacelligott who passed away on Tuesday 24th September. His funeral service took place in Ballymacelligott Church followed by burial Ballyseedy church grounds.

We express our sympathy to his wife Stella and to his son John and daughters Ann and Winnie their families.

To the Family of Jean Mills -Smith of Tournafulla who died after a short illness. Her funeral service was held in the Island crematorium in Cork on 2nd October. We express our condolences to her husband Trevor and to her son Adrian and his family.

CBS and St John National Schools.

It has been the custom for a number of years that the first communion classes in CBS Tralee and the Children from St Johns for the midweek service that follows the harvest thanksgiving in St John's Church, Ashe Street.

This allows both schools to come together to give thanks for the harvest and to view the wonderful decorations in the church.

Congratulations

To Elton and Pella Mutamaenda on the birth of their daughter Tadiswa Joela in Tralee University Hospital in early September.

To Hazel and Tom Dalton on the Birth of their Son, Sean David, A grandson for David and Joan Tough



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