

Tralee and Dingle September Newsletter 2019.

Date	Ballyseedy 9.45 am	Tralee 10.45 am	Ballymac 12 noon	Kilgobbin 10.00 am	Dingle 12 noon
1 st September	HC	HC	MP	HC	HC
8 th September	HC	MP	HC	MP	MP
15 th September	MP	MP	MP	HC	HC
22 nd September	No Service	HC	HC	MP	HC
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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.

Wedding

Congratulations to Rachel Gleasure and Shane Madigan who were recently married in St Marys Church Killarney. Rev Jim officiated at the service. Rachel and Shane will live in Limerick.

Baptism,

Mia-Mai Doran daughter of Chrystal and Pdraig was welcomed into the family of the church at her baptism in St Johns Ashe street on the 24th August. The service was followed by a joyful family gathering in the Ballyroe Hotel. A lovely meal and an evening of music and dance was enjoyed by the extended family and their friends.

Opening of the Church. A rota of volunteers from the parish kept the church open for the week of the festival, while numbers visiting the church varied from day to day, all of those who did come were really impressed with the Church.

Many thanks for the generosity of those who welcomed visitors and shared the story of St Johns.

Rose of Tralee. The long running tradition of Roses and their escorts attending St Johns continued, when we were joined by Roses from Cork,

Kilkenny, Canada and Meath on the Sunday morning of the festival. This is always an enjoyable occasion and an important part of the summer and our ministry in Tralee. The service was followed by Tea in Teach an tSolais which was prepared our generous team of volunteers.

Film Screening: The film the Camino Voyage will be shown in St Johns on Culture night, the 20th Of September beginning at 8pm

The Honesty Table. The coin jar at the back of the church raised €47 recently, thank you to everyone who contributed. The Honesty table helps to pay for items needed for the church. Also, there has been a falloff in goods being brought for sale: could we please start again, a little helps a lot!

The Healer Prayer service will resume on Tuesday 3rd September at 8 pm in Teach an tSolais. Anyone who would like a loved one to be included in the prayers please email Marion.hogan@hotmail.com. All are welcome to this short service which is followed by tea and fellowship.

Book of Common Prayer and Hymnal

I have been asked by the church wardens in Tralee to remind parishioners to return any Book of Common Prayer or Hymnal which they may have absentmindedly brought home from Church.

Festival of Architecture:

As part of this festival we will host the following talks and speakers.

Saturday 28th Sept 2019 @ 11am St Johns Church, Its history and people, by Donal O'Sullivan

Sunday 29th Sept 2019 @ 1 pm: Will be given by Tom Dillon

'Heraldry and Kerry architecture' which will look examples of heraldry in Kerry's churches, cathedrals, buildings and funerary monuments (tombs and church memorials), this will involve a tour around St John's church to look at the examples in the church on the stained-glass windows and the church memorials.

Leaving cert results.

Congratulations to all our parishioners who received their results recently.

We wish you every blessing on the next stage of your journey, whether that is in further education or training, maybe you are taking time out to travel and to take stock or as you begin in the world of work.

NB Date for your Diary, Celebration in St Johns

We will celebrate 200 and 400 and more years of life at St Johns with the Archbishop of Armagh as our preacher on the 6th October at 4pm, This will also incorporate thanksgiving for the harvest. This will be a once in a life time celebration to which we will invite dignitaries and guests and I would urge all parishioners to mark it in the calendars as a service to attend if at all possible.

Christmas Fair:

The parish hopes to run this most valuable fund raising and community building event again this year. We have been greatly blessed in previous years by the generous donations of a short weekend away in a hotel, as a first prize for our draw. If someone would like to donate something similar as a first prize then we would be delighted. Please contact Jim if you think that you can help or if you have any other fundraising suggestions.

The importance of this fundraising event is made all the more important by the fact that the insurance bill for the Tralee and Ballymacelligott end of the parish was approx. €12,200 this year.

The links ladies will begin their new season with a guided tour of Ardfert cathedral. This will take place on Sunday September 22nd at 2.30pm. It promises to be a very interesting afternoon, bearing in mind our parish's historical links with Ardfert. Anyone wishing to join the ladies for the tour will be very welcome. Cost is 4 euro per person and meeting place is Teach an tSolais at 2pm. If interested please let Olive know as we will need an idea of numbers.

The most important day of the week.

There are two days in every week about which we should not worry.

One is yesterday with its mistakes and cares, it's aches and pains.

Yesterday has passed forever beyond our control.

The other day is tomorrow with its possible adversities and blunders.

Until its sun rises, we have no stake in tomorrow for it is yet unborn.

That leaves only one day-----today.

Anyone can fight the battle of just one day. It is only when we add the burden of those two awful eternities, yesterday and tomorrow, that contentment will escape us.



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