



*St. Colman's Parish*  
*27<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time*  
*2<sup>nd</sup> /3<sup>rd</sup> Oct 2021*

**True Love**

A 98-year-old man and a 95-year-old woman went to a lawyer to get a divorce. "How long have you been married?" he asked. "75 rough and rocky years," they said. "Then, why have you waited so long to file for divorce?" They replied, "We had to wait for the kids to die!"

In this Gospel, Jesus makes use of a hostile question from the Pharisees to speak about the deepest law of any relationship: love that is given entirely, that gives life. When asked whether, as Scripture says, a man may put away his wife, Christ will show them another path, a divine path. Christ proposes a new perspective. He speaks to us of the plan of creation, of God's project. God has a plan of life and beauty for our lives.

If one's relationship to God and others is reduced to what is licit and what is illicit, one lives it in a cold and static way. But if we realize that God is always looking upon us with love, we realize that the defects of the other person (husband, wife, children, siblings, friends...) are a path for learning the art of loving, the art of becoming like Jesus.

When must we love the others? Only when they are perfect, without defects, likeable, punctual, useful; or rather also when they are weak, fragile, poor, and mistaken?

We are all called to relationships of fidelity, relationships in which we will always have abundant excuses to reject the other person: one's husband, wife, children, family members, friends, colleagues...

If we think the other person only has the right to our love when it is merited, then we don't know how to love. Our heart has become hardened; it has become a heart of stone, and no longer reflects God's way of loving.

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**Recent Deaths:** Please pray for  
**David (Crocker) Bradley**, Faha East.  
**Brendan Casey**, Bridge Street.

**Baptism:** We welcome into our Christian community  
**Norí Flynn**, Ardwanig

### *Masses & Intentions*

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| Mon. Oct. 4 <sup>th</sup>  |          |            | <i>No Mass</i>   |
| Tues. Oct. 5 <sup>th</sup> | Listry   | 7:00 p.m.  | <i>Michael Paul Griffin<br/>Milltown/Listry</i>                      |
| Wed. Oct. 6 <sup>th</sup>  | Milltown | 10:00 a.m. |  |
| Thurs Oct. 7 <sup>th</sup> |          |            | <i>No Mass</i>   |
| Fri. Oct. 8 <sup>th</sup>  | Milltown | 7:00 p.m.  | <i>Brendan Carey<br/>Cromane/Milltown</i>                            |
| Sat. Oct. 9 <sup>th</sup>  | Listry   | 6:00 p.m.  | <i>Catherine O' Connor 1<sup>st</sup> Anniv<br/>Lahard, Beaufort</i> |
| Sun. Oct. 10 <sup>th</sup> | Milltown | 11:15 a.m. |  |

### **Eucharistic Ministers**

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| Listry Saturday 9 <sup>th</sup> Oct.  | Eamon Donnelly |
| Milltown Sunday 10 <sup>th</sup> Oct. | Tim Fleming    |

### **Readers**

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| Listry Saturday 9 <sup>th</sup> Oct.  | Elizabeth Griffin |
| Milltown Sunday 10 <sup>th</sup> Oct. | Rosemarie Healy   |

### **Usher/Sanitiser**

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| Milltown Sunday 10 <sup>th</sup> Oct. | Christy & Mary Murphy |
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Mass is broadcast on 106fm, and all Weekend Masses will be streamed online via [www.milltownlistryparish.com](http://www.milltownlistryparish.com) or [churchmediatv.ie](http://churchmediatv.ie)

The webcam in Milltown and Listry church captures images of individuals who sit in the first two seats of the church. Please sit in another part of the Church if you do not wish your image to be broadcast in this way.

**First Friday Confessions** are available after 7:00p.m. Mass in Milltown Church on Friday 9<sup>th</sup> October.

**Online Workshop for Parish Musicians**

The diocese will host an online workshop for parish musicians on Tuesday, October 5<sup>th</sup> at 7:30pm via Zoom. All involved in music ministry are welcome. The purpose of the workshop is to prepare choirs and parish musicians for the weeks ahead, as choirs and singers resume their role in the liturgy. The workshop will be presented by Tomás Kenny and Ailish Walsh O'Connor. Please email Tomás Kenny at [tomaskenny@dioceseofkerry.ie](mailto:tomaskenny@dioceseofkerry.ie) if you plan to attend.

**ALONE** manage a national support line and additional supports for older people who have concerns or are facing difficulties relating to COVID-19 (Coronavirus). Professional staff are available to answer queries and give advice and reassurance where necessary. The support line is open seven days a week, 8am - 8pm, by calling 0818 222 024.

**Listry Meals on Wheels Service** are looking for volunteer drivers for 1.5 hours approx. every 3rd week at moment. If interested, please contact Cathriona at 087-9381063.

**Rainbows:** Maine Valley Family Centre Castlemaine will run a 10-week Rainbows Programme in Oct/Nov 2021. Rainbows offer a listening and support programme for children who have had a loss through a Bereavement and a programme for loss through Parental Separation. Suitable for ages 7-12 years and this service is free. For further information or to book a place phone Helen/Maine Valley FRC on 087 3694169 or 066 9767833 Ext 2

**SHEP - Introduction to Personal Development -**

Introduction to Personal Development is a 20-hour course for adults run over 8 weeks offered by Maine Valley FRC. The course is open to people from all walks of life. No prior qualifications are needed, just a willingness to be personally involved and to interact with others. Ring Maine Valley FRC - 086-0580019 or Landline 066-9767833 Ext 2

**Our churches are sanitised daily**

- Please sanitise your hands on entering and leaving the church
- Keep a safe distance from others who may be in the church
- Wear a mask whilst in the church.

***Last weekend's collection - €1,144.00***  
***Thank you for your generous and continuing support***

And to understand this we need to learn the value of being small and weak, being like children. So, the second part of this Gospel passage is not there by accident.

Loving truly requires being like children, like those who always have something new to learn – learning also from difficulties, tribulations, disappointments.

### ***Prayer for the Earth***

*God our Creator, maker, and shaper of all that is, seen and unseen.  
You are present in the breadth and depth of the whole of creation,  
and in the processes that make life possible.*

*Yet, we are distracted by the gods of the marketplace.*

*Our lives have become fractured and fragmented.*

*In our brokenness we disturb  
the Earth's capacity to hold us*

*Call us back from the brink.*

*Help us to choose love and not fear,*

*to change ourselves and not the planet,*

*to act justly for the sake of the vulnerable,*

*and to make a difference today for the life tomorrow.*

*We make this our prayer in your name, Father, Son and Holy  
Spirit.*

*Amen.*

### **Killorglin Pastoral Area**

#### **Priest on Duty this Sunday:**

**Fr. Kieran O' Sullivan (087) 2432155**

*In an emergency always ring your own Priest first*

*If he is unavailable, please ring the following:*

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