



*St. Colman's Parish
The Holy Family of Jesus,
Mary, and Joseph
25th /26th December 2021*

Abnormal Birth

After explaining childbirth, the biology teacher asked her 6th Class to write an essay on “childbirth” in their families. Susan went home and asked her mother how she was born. Her mother, who was busy at the time, said, “A big white swan brought you darling, and left you on our doorstep.” Continuing her research, she asked grandmother how she got her mother as a child. Being in the middle of something, her grandmother similarly deflected the question by saying, “A fairy brought your mom as a little baby, and I found her in our garden in an open box.” Then the girl went and asked her great-grandmother how she got her grandmother as a baby. “I picked her from a box I found in the gooseberry bush,” said the surprised great grandmother. With this information the girl wrote her essay. When the teacher asked her later to read it in front of the class, she stood up and began, “I was very sad to find out that there has not been a single natural birth in our family for three generations... All our children were extra-terrestrials.”

Today the words of Isaiah tell us of another non-normal birth. It's a non-normal birth, never before, nor after, seen or experienced, because it is the birth of God as man – Jesus Christ, Son of God, and Son of Man, as our Saviour born of a virgin.

May the birth of the 'Christ Child' bring you and your family's peace and every joy this Holy Season of Christmas.

God Bless and Stay Safe.

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Mon Dec. 27 th			<i>No Mass</i>
Tues Dec. 28 th	Listry	7:00 p.m.	<i>Liturgy of the Word</i>
Wed. Dec. 29 th	Milltown	9:00 a.m.	<i>Liturgy of the Word</i>
Thurs. Dec. 30 th			<i>No Mass</i>
Fri. Dec. 31 st	Milltown	7:00 p.m.	
Sat Jan 1 st	Milltown	10:00 a.m.	<i>Nora, Charlie, Dessie & Joe O' Connor Kilclogherane, Faha</i>
	Listry	6:00 p.m.	
Sun. Jan 2 nd	Milltown	11:15 a.m.	<i>Peg & Jack Hayes Lyre</i>
Mon Jan 3 rd			<i>No Mass</i>
Tues Jan 4 th	Listry	7:00 p.m.	<i>Fr. William Collins MSC Currow/Texas</i>
Wed. Jan 5 th	Milltown	10:00 a.m.	<i>Daniel Knightly Dromin</i>
	Listry	6:00 p.m.	<i>Vigil Mass Feast of The Epiphany</i>
Thurs. Jan 6 th	Milltown	11:15 a.m.	<i>Holy Day Feast of The Epiphany</i>
Fri. Jan 7 th	Milltown	7:00 p.m.	<i>William & Eilis Daly Woodville</i>
Sat. Jan 8 th	Listry	6:00 p.m.	<i>JohnJoe & Sheila Lyne Lissivane East</i>
Sun Jan 9 th	Milltown	11:15 a.m.	

Parish Draw

A sincere word of thanks to all who contributed to the Parish Draw which took place last Sunday. The organising committee do an incredible job in distributing the draw cards, contacting local Sponsors, and sorting through the prizes on the day of the draw. So once again, our sincere thanks to them. The draw would not be able to take place without your mammoth help. A thank you to all who took cards. A list of prize winners and sponsors and amount collected will appear in the parish newsletter early in the New Year.

ALONE manage a national support line and additional supports for older people who have concerns or are facing difficulties relating to COVID-19 (Coronavirus). If you or someone you know needs support this Christmas, please call our National Support and Referral Line on 0818 222 024 from 8am – 8pm, seven days a week. ALONE operates 365 days a year so we will be there to take your call when you need us most.

Alhomecare: Affordable Live-in Homecare: provides live-in carers for the elderly in your area. If you are looking for a live-in carer for your relative, please call Eileen or Tom today on (087) 991 6791 or (087) 744 0729. Visit the website www.alhomecare.ie

Anam Cara Kerry: the organisation that supports bereaved parents, is holding it's monthly Parent Evening for bereaved parents on Tuesday 11th January at 7:20pm in the Meadowlands Hotel, Tralee. This event is free and open to all bereaved parents regardless of the age your child died, the circumstances of their death, or whether their death was recent or not.

Eucharistic Ministers

Listry Saturday 1 st Jan (6:00pm)	Marie Donnelly
Milltown Sunday 2 nd Jan (11:15am)	Deirdre Corkery
Listry Saturday 8 th Jan (6:00pm)	Margaret Gallagher
Milltown Sunday 9 th Jan (11:15am)	Sheila O' Sullivan

Readers

Listry Saturday 1 st Jan (6:00pm)	Sinead O' Donnell
Milltown Sunday 2 nd Jan (11:15am)	Chris Horan
Listry Saturday 8 th Jan (6:00pm)	Michael F. O' Connor
Milltown Sunday 9 th Jan (11:15am)	Liam Hurley

Readings can be collected from the Sacristy before or after any Mass.

Reminder

Mass is broadcast on 106fm, and all Weekend Masses will be streamed online via www.milltownlistryparish.com or 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.

***Last weekend's collection - €1,630.00
Thank you for your generous
and continuing support***

Please continue to adhere to the following Covid19 Guidelines

- 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.

The dispensation from attending Mass on Sundays and Holydays remains in place until further notice. This means you may attend Mass on any day during the week to fulfil your obligation. Please continue to follow all of the public health guidance in relation to Covid-19.

The Parish Office will re-open on Tuesday January 4th.



Thank you all for your continuous kindness and generosity during the past year. Covid has been a difficult time for everyone, but we are coping as well as we can. Thank you sincerely to all who give of their time voluntarily to the church as well.

I wish you all the peace, joy, and blessings which Christ brings at Christmas and I hope that the New Year will be blessed for you and your families

Fr. Danny