Velcome f to our Church

St. Colman's Parish Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

22<sup>nd</sup> /23<sup>rd</sup> January 2022

The Scriptures for today focus our attention on the importance and power of the Word of God and its challenge for us today. The Word of God is called "sacramental," in the sense that when it is spoken, read, or heard, God becomes present in our midst. For that to happen to us, we must listen to the Word, accept it into our hearts, and then put it into practice as we live out our lives.

**God's surprise message to three powerful presidents:** There is a story about God calling the world's three most powerful Presidents for a meeting: Presidents coming from Russia, China and U.S.A. God told them one thing: "The world will end by the year 2023.The three Presidents went to their respective countries and told their people about what God had told them.

The Russian President said: "My dear people, I have two messages to give, both of them are bad news. First, God is real and second, the world will end by the year 2023."

The President of China announced to his people, "My dear people, I have two important messages for you, one unbelievable and one horrible. The unbelievable message is that God is real. The horrible message is that this God is so fed up with our world that He wants to destroy it."

The American President appeared in the national television to speak to the Americans. He said: "My dear people I have three messages to convey to you, all of them are good news. First, God is still in control of the world. Second, He talked to your President directly. And the third is, our world will end by the year 2023 and all our problems will be over."

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Recent Death: Please pray for: Teresa Clifford, Rossnacarton, Beaufort Fr. Michael O' Doherty, Glenbeigh -former curate of Milltown					
Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament takes place every Wednesday in Milltown Church from 4:00p.m7:00p.m. <i>Masses &amp; Intentions</i>					
Mon. Jan 24 <sup>th</sup>		wiusses &	<i>No Mass</i>		
Tues. Jan. 25 <sup>th</sup>	Listry	7:00 p.m <b>.</b>	Joan Byrne nee Sheehy, 1 <sup>st</sup> Anniversary Galway/Inch		
Wednes 26 <sup>th</sup> Jan	Milltown	10:00 a.m.			
Thurs Jan. 27 <sup>th</sup>			No Mass		
Fri. Jan. 28 <sup>th</sup>	Milltown	7:00 p.m.	Nora Maher Main Street		
Sat. Jan. 29 <sup>th</sup>	Listry	6:00 p.m.	Stephen O' Donoghue Lissivane East		
Sun. Jan. 30 <sup>th</sup>	Milltown	11:15 a.m.	Joe Kneafsey Killarney Road		

## **Eucharistic Ministers**

Listry Saturday 29 <sup>th</sup> Jan. Milltown Sunday 30 <sup>th</sup> Jan.	Eamon Donnelly Tim Fleming	
Listry Saturday 29 <sup>th</sup> Jan.	Readers         Anthony Clifford	
Milltown Sunday 30 <sup>th</sup> Jan.	Joan O' Shea	

Readings can be collected in advance from the Sacristy after any Mass.

Mass is broadcast on 106fm, and all Weekend Masses will be streamed online via <u>www.milltownlistryparish.com</u> or <u>churchmediatv.ie</u>. 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 - €815.00 Special Collection – Needs of the Holy Land - €291.00 Thank you for your generous and continuing support <u>**Catholic Schools Week</u>** - Theme - Living Life to the Full. January 23 to 30th.</u>

**Job Vacancy:** St John Paul II Pastoral Centre, Killarney, Co. Kerry invites applications for the position of a Part Time Secretary. The role will involve general secretarial duties. Experience required in Microsoft Office and general office duties. Application for the position by cover letter and CV, in confidence, to <u>diocesanpastoralcentre@dioceseofkerry.org</u> Closing date for applications is 5 pm on Wednesday Jan 26th. Interviews will be held during week commencing Jan 31st. Garda Vetting will apply.

**Parenting Plus Healthy Families Programme -** An 8-week parenting programme for all parents of young children 1-12 years. The focus is on children's health and wellbeing, empowering parents to manage challenging behaviour, increased family connection, establishing routines and self-care. 6.30-8.30 Tuesdays 15th February - 5th April (online via Zoom) Call 066-9767833 Ext 2 or Text/Call Colette 087-6953023 or Helen 087-3694169'

<u>**Citizens Information:**</u> During Covid-19 Citizens Information is open for phone & email queries. Tralee: Monday to Friday from 9:00am – 8:00pm. (0818) 077860. Free confidential and Independent. Citizens Information – a source you can trust.

<u>ALONE</u> 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, 0818 222 024.

## 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.

<u>The Irish Catholic Newspaper</u> is available to buy from the Sacristy or the Parish Office.

## Parish Draw Sponsor 2021

We wish to thank Linus Burke for his kind donation to our Parish Draw. His name was omitted in error from the list of Sponsors in the Newsletter dated 16<sup>th</sup> January. Our apologies.

The Parish Office will close at 12 noon on Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> January.

In today's Gospel Jesus stands up in his native synagogue and announces the Good News of a loving, liberating, and saving God.
We need to let the power of the Holy Spirit fill us, and to be ready to have miracles done through us.

Today's Gospel tells us that Jesus performed miracles because he was filled with the power of the Holy Spirit.

Jesus promised the same Spirit to his disciples: "I will ask the Father, and He will give you another Counsellor to be with you forever—the Spirit of truth.... He lives with you and will be in you" (Jn 14:16-17).

To this very day, the Holy Spirit is available to all believers who sincerely ask Him to dwell in their hearts. If we fail to receive, and then to use, His power and His gifts, we are left with nothing but our natural abilities, and we will be unable to be used as instruments in His freeing miracles. Miracles occur every day through weak human instruments, although they may be less spectacular than the ones Jesus performed.

People whose minds are ravaged by fear and hatred can be miraculously filled with peace and kindness. Those whose hearts are crippled with bitterness and anger can be made gentle and peaceful. Perhaps others, whose relationships with their spouses are strained, can be miraculously healed by love and faithfulness. These are true miracles, performed by the power of God, through the Holy Spirit, often making use of human instruments. Let us be ready to become Spirit-filled instruments of Christ's saving freedom.

## Killorglin Pastoral Area <u>Priest on Duty this Sunday</u>: Fr. Kieran O' Sullivan (087) 2432155

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