



St. Colman's Parish
24th Sunday
in Ordinary Time
10th /11th September 2022

Listen to the Voice of Creation

This is a time set aside by the church to both celebrate the gift of all God's creation in our Common Home and, reflect on our role in caring for it. This year's theme is a strong call to "Listen to the Voice of Creation." We know that we are at a crucial time for our common home with both climate change and biodiversity loss already impacting on the lives of many people. So as Christians, how are we responding to these moral and ethical challenges? Do we recognise that like Moses in the story of the burning bush, we too are standing on "holy ground"? Of course, this call is not new and was put strongly to us by Pope Francis in his letter, *Caring for Our Common Home...Laudato Si.*

In last week's gospel, 'Jesus turned around' and asked us do we really want to be 'his disciples,' his dedicated followers, to carry the cross? We all have our own immediate responsibilities, family, farm, work, school, illnesses, and struggles. We are sometimes lost in the 'big crowd of followers,' living our lives, rushing around from one engagement to the next and now we are being asked to carry a cross on top of all this! Who is going to sign up for that!

But we sign up for training for football and different sports, years of primary school then more in secondary school, we sign contracts and some go signing life contracts in marriage. So, it seems that we can make commitments. Now this Season of Creation can we commit or sign up to protecting our Common Home?

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Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament takes place every Friday in Milltown Church from 5:00p.m. -7:00p.m.

Masses & Intentions

Mon. Sept. 12 th			<i>No Mass</i>
Tues. Sept. 13 th	Listry	7:00 p.m.	<i>Louie Leslie, Drombrick and all deceased members of the Leslie family</i>
Wed. Sept. 14 th	Milltown	10:00 a.m.	
Thurs Sept. 15 th			<i>No Mass</i>
Fri. Sept. 16 th	Milltown	7:00 p.m.	<i>Tom Courtney (Months Mind) The Forge, Rockfield/London</i>
	Milltown	8:00 p.m.	<i>Pa O' Sullivan (Months Mind) Knockavota/Corpus Christi Tce</i>
Sat. Sept. 17 th	Listry	6:00 p.m.	<i>The Quirke Family Knockeen</i>
Sun. Sept. 18 th	Milltown	11:15 a.m.	<i>Pat (Paddy) O' Shea (Months Mind) Kilcolman/Basingstoke</i>

Eucharistic Ministers

Listry Saturday Sept 17th Eamon Donnelly
Milltown Sunday Sept. 18th Denis O' Mahony

Readers

Listry Saturday Sept. 17th Michael F. O' Connor
Milltown Sunday Sept. 18th Family Readers

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 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.

Flower Arranger: Joan Allman - Sept 17th – Sept 30th

Autumn Dues: Please return your Autumn dues envelopes. You can do so by dropping them into the Parish Office or the Collection Box in the church. Your continuing support is deeply appreciated.

Lourdes Pilgrimage: Lourdes is gradually opening up again. We plan to have a full diocesan Pilgrimage in the Fall of 2023. However, a small group of pilgrims are travelling this year on September 30th for a 3-night pilgrimage from Dublin at a cost of €595. Some more places have become available. If interested, please contact the diocesan office (064) 6631168.

The Annual pilgrimage of the Legion of Mary to Our Lady's shrine: at Knock will be held on Sunday 25th September. Bus will leave the Church of Resurrection (roadside) at 6.30 a.m. Price 30 euro. Tickets from Pat (086) 8510423.

The Statue of Our Lady of Fatima: will be on Main Street, Killarney on Tuesday 13th September from 2.30 p.m., to remember Our Lady's 5th visit to Fatima in September 1917. The Divine Mercy chaplet and the Holy Rosary will be recited at 3 p.m. on the street. Everyone is welcome.

The Men for Christ Conference 2022: a Catholic Conference for Men will be Live & Exclusive on Radio Maria Ireland Saturday 17th September from 2pm. Speakers for this year's conference are Fr. Jamie Twohig SAC, John Pridmore, David Quinn, and Fr. Marius O'Reilly.

Kingdom Gospel Choir (ages 18+) , Kingdom Youth Gospel Choir (ages 9-12) & Kiddies Kingdom Gospel Choir (ages 4-8) recommencing. Adults choir taking place in the Friary church at 8pm on Friday 23rd Sept, Kids choirs will take place on Saturdays in the John Paul II pastoral centre, rock road. Everyone welcome. For more information contact Caoimhe on (087) 0669858.

Recovery Haven Kerry: (Cancer Support House) A 6-week Building Better Caregivers online course will begin on 13th September, from 10.30am - 1.00pm. This course offers support to those caring for someone with cancer. Details: (066) 7192122, siobhan@recoveryhavenkerry.com

Thank You: The O' Shea family and Rhoda would like to thank everyone for their Prayers, Mass Cards, and Condolences, which was a great comfort, following the sudden death of Pat (Paddy) O' Shea.

Weekend's collection - €910.00
Thank you for your generous support

Can we respond to the threat of a total climate breakdown and devastating biodiversity loss? Are we willing to sign up to change our way of life, how we heat our homes, travel, farm, garden and even shop and eat? These are huge asks, in fact a new kind of cross. But this is a cross that we can embrace with joy and no doubt some pain too as we leave behind old ways of being. Joy can come as we work with other dedicated followers in our communities to co- create a new and transformed Common Home, where farmers can feed their families, indigenous peoples can live in their home place, people in cities breathe clean air and all of us can have clean and safe drinking water and of course where nature and all God's creatures can thrive. Let us continue to pray together and ask the Holy Spirit to guide us as we begin our celebration of the Season of Creation and take steps, no matter how small, to live in harmony with all of God's creation, as we learn to walk more gently on Gods 'Holy Ground'

Season of Creation 1st September – 4th October

On September 22nd the organising committee, the Justice, Peace, and Integrity of Creation Committee (JPIC) of the diocese, will host a free hour-long webinar focusing on the vital role of soil and water with speakers: Thomas O Connor, organic farmer and Talamh Beo and Catherine Seale-Duggan, Local Authorities Water. To register go to www.dioceseofkerry.ie Further information, please contact desbailey@dioceseofkerry.ie or (086) 7364605

Together let's Listen to the Voice of Creation and respond.
"The climate crisis requires our decisive action, here and now and the Church is fully committed to playing her part."

Pope Francis.

We need to use the season of creation to appreciate creation, appreciate what creation gives us and to renew our responsibility to take care of it. ...this is an opportunity for us to get involved.

Bishop Ray Browne

Priest on Duty Sunday 11th September

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