

St. Colman's Parish 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time 3rd /4th September 2022

This week's scripture readings challenge us to the true Christian discipleship of total commitment to the will of God, putting God first in our lives.

The beauty remains; the pain passes.

French artists Henri Matisse and Auguste Renoir were close friends and frequent companions despite the fact that Renoir was twenty-eight years the senior of Matisse. During the last several years of his life, Renoir was virtually crippled by arthritis; nevertheless, he painted every day, and when his fingers were no longer supple enough to hold the brush correctly, he had his wife, Alice, attach the paint brush to his hand in order that he might continue his work. Matisse visited him daily. One day, as he watched his older friend wincing in excruciating pain with each colourful stroke, he asked, "Auguste, why do you continue to paint when you are in such agony?" Renoir's response was immediate, "The beauty remains; the pain passes."-Passion for his art empowered Renoir to paint until the day he died; those who continue to admire the enduring beauty of his smiling portraits, his landscapes, his still life studies of flowers and fruit will find no trace therein of the pain required to create them. Most will agree that the *cost* was worth it.

Jesus 'challenge of true Christian discipleship can be accepted only if we practice the spirit of detachment and renunciation in our daily lives. Real discipleship demands true commitment to the duties entrusted to us by life, circumstances, the community, or directly by God Himself, and by loving acts of selfless, humble, sacrificial love offered to all God's children around us. Let us remember that all this is possible **only** if we rely on the power of prayer and the guidance of the Holy Spirit. Mother Teresa said, "If we have our Lord amid us, with daily Mass and Holy Communion, I fear nothing for the Sisters nor myself; he will look after us. But without him I cannot be. I am helpless" Fr. Danny Broderick (087) 9061255 Parish Residence: 18 Ballyoughtragh Heights, Milltown Rev. Conor Bradley (087) 3664057 Parish Office: Tues. & Thurs 9:30-12:30 066-9767312 Email: <u>milltown@dioceseofkerry.ie</u> Website: www.milltownlistryparish.com Safeguarding Children: Contact No (087) 6362780

Recent Deaths: Please pray for John Leahy, Killa

John Leahy, Killarney/Rockchapel John Joe O' Connell, Aughacureen, Aghadoe Hannah Mai Counihan, Keel, Faha

Baptism: We welcome into our Christian community: Oran Mangan, Clontarf, Dublin

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

Masses & Intentions

Mon. Sept. 5 th			No Mass	
Tues. Sept. 6 th	Listry	7:00 p.m.	Mary Doona Lahard	
Wed. Sept. 7 th	Milltown	10:00 a.m.		
Thurs Sept. 8 th			No Mass	
Fri. Sept. 9 th	Milltown	7:00 p.m.	John Coffey, Corpus Christi Tce & his daughter Joanne O' Connor	
Sat. Sept. 10 th	Listry	6:00 p.m.	Keith O' Donnell Faha Glen	
Sun. Sept. 11 th	Milltown	11:15 a.m.		

Eucharistic Ministers				
Listry Saturday Sept 10 th	Marie Donnelly			
Milltown Sunday Sept. 11 th	Linus Burke			
Readers				
Listry Saturday Sept. 10 th	Sinead O' Donnell			
Milltown Sunday Sept. 11 th	Joe Tyther			
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Mass is broadcast on 106fm. All Weekend Masses are streamed online via <u>www.milltownlistryparish.com or churchmediatv.ie.</u> The webcams 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 broadcast in this way. **Flower Arranger:** Margot Lawlor - Sept 3rd – September 16th

Second Collection: will be taken up at Masses w/e 3rd /4th Sept. - Diocesan Needs

<u>Monthly Prayer Meeting:</u> takes place in the Nagle Rice community Hall on Sunday September 4th from 8-9.30pm. All most welcome.

<u>Synodal Pathway - National Synthesis Published</u> The National Synthesis Document which gathers together the results of the synodal consultation here in Ireland has been published and submitted to Rome. For a link visit <u>www.dioceseofkerry.ie/synod</u>

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 of cost €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.

Bible Scriptures: 12 weeks of Bible Scriptures coming to St. Brendan's Church, Rock Street, Tralee. Starting on Thursday September 8th from 7:00pm-8:30pm. All welcome

Recovery Haven Kerry (Cancer Support House): are hosting (CLIMB) a children's group support programme, beginning on September 7th. This programme is aimed at children aged 6-12 years who are experiencing the impact of a cancer diagnosis of a parent, sibling, member of their extended family. Please ring 0667192122 for further details.

Positive Ageing Exercise Classes: Every Monday & Friday: 10:30am Saturday at 9am at Unit 11, 4 Park, Farranfore, Co Kerry. Further details contact (087) 1151502. Class includes Low impact strength/conditioning Cardiovascular training - Mobility & flexibility. Benefits: Improved balance - Reducing the chances of falls. Reduce chances of disease Improved cognitive functioning Improve over health and wellbeing.

<u>**Charity Blitz:**</u> Milltown/Castlemaine will host an U11/10 charity blitz this weekend, from 10am at the Paddy Burke Memorial Park, Milltown with the proceeds going to our local GAA for ALL team which aims at providing children in the area with additional needs an inclusive platform to learn football skills and have lots of fun. Please come along to support and join in the fun. Contact Danny McClure on (087) 6536631

Season of Creation 1st September – 4th October

Listen to the Voice of Creation

We are invited to listen to creation's call. What is God saying to us through the Book of Nature? Spend more time, with awareness, evoking the senses, contemplating God's Love for us through creation. Can we allow nature to be a teacher, a friend, a channel of God's love?

It cannot be emphasised enough how everything is interconnected (Laudato Si' 138)

A Prayer for our Earth

All powerful God, you are present in the whole universe and in the smallest of your creatures. Pour out upon us the power of your love, that we may protect life and beauty. Bring healing to our lives, that we may protect the world and not prey on it, that we may sow beauty, not pollution and destruction Amen

(Laudato Si' 246)

Last weekend's collection - €930.00 Thank you for your generous support

<u>Priest on Duty Sunday 4th September</u> Fr. Kieran O' Sullivan (087) 2432155