

St. Colman's Parish The Nativity of the Lord 24th /25th December 2022

Christmas Blessings

Christmas brings joy and happiness to all our families. Thankfully, this year we can celebrate properly again as Covid 19 is fading and we are getting back to some normality.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank each and everyone of you for your powerful support throughout the year, both financially and in your warm welcome, your hospitality and kindness you show in different ways. Thank you sincerely to all who give of their time so freely to the church as well.

I have had the honor of being with you on joyful occasions during the year, like Weddings, Baptisms, Sacraments, House Masses etc., and I also had the privilege of being with you in your times of sorrow.

As the year draws to a close, I would like to 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 Broderick



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Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament takes place every Friday in Milltown Church from 5:00p.m7:00p.m. Masses & Intentions				
Tues. Dec. 27 th	Listry		No evening Mass	
Wed. Dec. 28 th	Milltown	10:00 a.m.	Eileen Horgan Dalkey Dublin/Ardmelode	
Thurs Dec. 29 th				
Fri. Dec. 30 th	Milltown	7:00 p.m.	Pat O' Sullivan Knockavota	
Sat. Dec. 31 st	Listry	6:00 p.m.	Michael & Catherine Spillane Culleeneymore	
Sun. Jan. 1 st	Milltown	11:15 a.m.		
Mon. Jan. 2 nd	Milltown			
Tues. Jan. 3 rd	Listry	7:00 p.m.	Jeremiah & Eileen Wrenn Lissivane East	
Wed. Jan. 4 th	Milltown	10:00 a.m.	People of the Parish	
Thurs Jan. 5 th	Listry	6:00 p.m.	Vigil Mass Feast of The Epiphany	
Fri. Jan. 6 th	Milltown	7.00p.m.	Holy Day Feast of The Epiphany	
Sat. Jan. 7 th	Listry	6:00 p.m.	For all deceased members of the O' Connor Family, Kiclogherane	
Sun. Jan. 8 th	Milltown	11:15 a.m.	Esther Daly 1 st Anniversary Kilderry South	
Priest on duty this weekend: Fr. Kevin Sullivan (087) 6277638				

Eucharistic Ministers				
Listry Saturday Dec 31 st	Margaret Gallagher			
Milltown Sunday Jan. 1 st	Sheila O' Sullivan			
Listry Saturday Jan. 7 th	Eamon Donnelly			
Milltown Sunday Jan. 8 th	Dorothy Casey			
Readers				
Listry Saturday Dec. 31 st	Elizabeth Griffin			
Milltown Sunday Jan. 1 st	Rosemarie Healy			
Listry Saturday Jan. 7 th	Sinead O' Donnell			
Milltown Sunday Jan. 8 th	Family Readers			

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.

<u>Second Collection:</u> will be taken up at Masses w/e 31st Dec/1st Jan - Needs of the Holy Land

First Friday Communion Calls: will take place on Friday 6th January 2023. If you have a family member or neighbour who wishes to receive Holy Communion each month in their home, please contact Fr. Danny, (087) 9061255 Rev. Conor (087) 3664057 / parish office (066) 97 67312.

<u>First Friday Confessions</u> are available after 7:00p.m. Mass in Milltown Church on Friday January 6th, 2023.

Monthly Prayer Meeting: takes place in the Nagle Rice community Hall on Sunday January 1st, 2023, from 8-9.30pm. All most welcome.

Diocesan Pilgrimage to World Youth Day 2023: Lisbon, Portugal Next July, the diocese will travel with 22 young adults to Lisbon, Portugal to take part in the biggest gathering of young people from all over the world. Travel out on Mon. July 31st and return on Tues. Aug. 8^{th,} 2023. All young people between the ages of 18 and 35 are invited to join us. For more details, please contact Tomás Kenny on 086 3683778 or email Tomás on tomaskenny@dioceseofkerry.ie

Listry GAA Club are having a Fun Table Quiz in Faha Court on Friday December 30th at 8pm. Tables of 4 for 40 euro. Spots would be appreciated. All welcome.

The annual 31 card drive: in Faha Court will take place on Sunday January 8th at 5pm in aid of Kerry Cork Cancer bus. 5 single hand. Entry fee 10 euro. All proceeds to the Cancer bus. Spots would be appreciated. Enquiries to Anthony (087) 2215059.

Weekend's collection - €1,780.00 Thank you for your generous support

The offertory collection is currently not being taken up during Mass. There are boxes at the front and side entrance of the Milltown church and front entrance in Listry church for your contributions which are greatly appreciated.

Parish Draw

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

Christmas Day Collection

The Christmas Offering collection for parish clergy will be taken up at all Masses in the Parish on Christmas Eve and Christmas Day. Please return your Christmas envelopes in this collection. Your support is deeply appreciated throughout the entire year.

Christmas Reflection

You sometimes hear people say, 'I always find Christmas Day a lonely Day I think what they are really saying is: 'I always feel lonely on Christmas Day.' Loneliness is caused chiefly by two things: Absence and Emptiness. *Let us spare a thought, a prayer,* and maybe a visit for someone who will spend Christmas alone. And if while spending Christmas in the midst of others, we still feel lonely, let us not be alarmed. Our hearts are always longing for something more, or rather, for Someone else. *In every human heart there is an empty chamber* waiting for a guest. That guest is God.