



St. Colman's Parish
1st Sunday of Lent
25th /26th February 2023

“On the ninth trip around the block, there it was!”

A comical, but illustrative, story shows us how adept we are at rationalising our actions: A very overweight man decided that it was time to shed a few pounds. He went on a new diet and took it seriously. He even changed his usual driving route to the office in order to avoid his favourite bakery. One morning, however, he arrived at the office carrying a large, sugar-coated coffee cake. His office mates roundly chided him, but he only smiled, shrugged his shoulders and said, “What could I do? This is a very special cake. This morning, from force of habit, I accidentally drove by my favourite bakery. There in the window were trays of the most delicious goodies. I felt that it was no accident that I happened to pass by, so I prayed, ‘Lord, if you really want me to have one of these delicious coffee cakes, let me find a parking place in front of the bakery.’ Sure enough, on the ninth trip around the block, there it was!” — Temptation is strong, but we must be stronger. We should not tempt fate, and we should not rationalise our actions.

Lent is primarily the time of intense spiritual preparation for conquering our temptations, using the means Jesus used during his forty days of preparation in the desert for his public life. It is also the time for repenting of our sins and renewing our lives for the celebration of Easter with our Risen Lord who conquered sin and death by his suffering, death and Resurrection. This week's Scripture readings teach us that we are always tempted by the devil, by the world, and by our own selfish interests. So, we need to cooperate actively with God's grace to conquer our temptations and practice prayer, self-control, and charity.

We gain the strength of the temptation we resist

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Recent Death: Please pray for the soul of
Kathleen Daly, Farranmanagh.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament takes place every Friday in
Milltown Church from 6:00p.m. -7:00p.m.

Masses & Intentions

Mon. Feb. 27 th	Milltown		<i>No Mass</i>
Tues. Feb. 28 th	Listry	7:00 p.m.	<i>Lisa Orsi Spillane Culleeneymore</i>
Wed. March 1 st	Milltown	10:00 a.m.	<i>People of the Parish</i>
Thurs March 2 nd			<i>No Mass</i>
Fri. March 3 rd	Milltown	7:00 p.m.	
Sat. March 4 th	Listry	6:00 p.m.	
Sun. March 5 th	Milltown	11:15 a.m.	<i>Patrick & Ellen O' Sullivan The Cliff, Callinafercy</i>

Eucharistic Ministers

Listry Saturday March 4th Margaret Gallagher
 Milltown Sunday March 5th Eileen Roche

Readers

Listry Saturday March 4th Jim O' Shea
 Milltown Sunday March 5th John P. O' Sullivan

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.

First Friday Communion Calls: will take place on Friday March 3rd. 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 / office (066) 97 67312.

First Friday Confessions are available after 7:00p.m. Mass in Milltown Church on Friday March. 3rd.

Spring Dues: In your box of parish envelopes, you will find an envelope for your Spring dues. If you would kindly drop the envelope into the church collection box, the Parish Office, or to Fr. Danny's residence at 18 Ballyoughtragh Heights. Thank you for your continuing support.

Monthly Prayer Meeting: takes place in the Nagle Rice community Hall on Sunday March 5th from 8-9.30pm. All most welcome.

Trócaire: This year, the focus is on Somalia in East Africa and highlights how climate change, drought and conflict are severely affecting families and communities there. An unprecedented humanitarian crisis is unfolding, and almost 8.3 million people are facing unbearable hunger. Trócaire has been working with our partners in Somalia for 30 years and so is in a unique position to offer support to those affected. A better tomorrow belongs to us all. Contact Tel. No. (01)6293333 or donorservices@trocaire.org.

1. Envelopes marked Trócaire into Parish Offertory or the Office.
2. Online at www.trocaire.org
3. By phone 1850 408408

Syria/Turkey Solidarity Concert: We have all seen the catastrophic effects of the earthquake in Turkey and Syria. The loss of life has been enormous, and the destruction of buildings and infrastructure will take generations to repair. In solidarity with those who are suffering a fundraising concert is taking place in the CYMS in Killorglin on Friday, March 3rd at 8.00 p.m. Local musicians will be giving of their time and talent to bring us together to support this worthy cause. The people of Syria and Turkey need our help at this time.

The Communal First Saturday devotions; will take place on the 4th March at 8.45 am in the Church of the Resurrection Killarney. Devotions will be followed by the Rosary Mass at 9.30am.

Listry Community Council clg and Listry GAA: recently upgraded the Defibrillator cabinets in the parish and at the following locations. Listry Community Centre. - V93 PX08. Listry Church -V93 PW70 Listry GAA Club (Stand) - V93 KX71. Killorglin Rugby Club - V93 DE 68 The access code for all Defibrillator cabinets is C159X. Turn handle down.

*Break the bread, Lord.
The day's work done; we gather now to eat.
some of us have plenty,
some hunger still.
Break the bread, Lord, and say the blessing.

This is the time for fellowship and sharing,
some of us secure,
some worried still.
Break the bread, Lord, and say the blessing.

This is the time to think about our family,
large and scattered now.
but at one table, still.
Say the blessing, Lord, and break the bread.
For you give it to us, so that we all may eat.
Sue Allerton/CAFOD*

Stations of the Cross for Lent

Listry Church: Every Tuesday evening at 6:40 p.m.
Milltown Church: Every Friday evening at 6:40 p.m.

***Last weekend's collection - €866.00
Thank you for your generous and continuing 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.

**Killorglin Pastoral Area
Priest on Duty this Sunday:
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