

### St. Colman's Parish 20<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time 19<sup>th</sup> /20<sup>th</sup> August 2023

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All our Scripture readings this weekend speak of the expansive and universal nature of the "Kingdom of God," in contrast with the theory that salvation was to be offered first to the Jews and then, through them **alone**, to the rest of the world. Although God set the Hebrew people apart as His chosen race, He included all nations in His plan for salvation and blessed all the families of the earth in Abraham (Gn 12:1-3).

#### "If Christians have caste differences..."

M. K. Gandhi in his autobiography tells how, during his days in South Africa as a young Indian lawyer, he read the Gospels and saw in the teachings of Jesus the answer to the major problem facing the people of India, the caste system. Seriously considering embracing the Christian faith, Gandhi went to a white-only church one Sunday morning, intending to talk to the pastor about the idea. When he entered the Church, however, the usher refused to give him a seat and told him to go and worship in another church with his own-coloured people. Gandhi left the church and never returned. "If Christians have caste differences also," he said, "I might as well remain a Hindu."

We need to pull down our walls of separation and share in the universality of God's love: Very often we set up walls which separate us from God and from one another. Today's Gospel reminds us that God's love and mercy are extended to all who call on Him in Faith and trust, no matter who they are. In other words, God's care extends beyond the bounds of race and nation to the hearts of all who live, and God's House should become a House of Prayer for all peoples. It is therefore fitting that we should pray and work sincerely so that the walls which our pride, intolerance, fear, and prejudice have raised in us may crumble.

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Recent Death: Please pray for Malachy Walsh, Killarney

**Baptisms:** We welcome into our Christian community:

Eliza Ryan, Rathfarnham, Grace Lambe, Monasterevin &

Caden O' Shea, Abbeylands.

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

#### Masses & Intentions

Mon. Aug. 21st			No Mass
Tues. Aug. 22 <sup>nd</sup>	Listry	7:00 p.m.	Shane Courtney Faha East
Wed. Aug. 23 <sup>rd</sup>	Milltown	10:00 a.m.	Edmond Kelly 2 <sup>nd</sup> Anniversary Kilderry
Thurs Aug. 24 <sup>th</sup>			No Mass
Fri. Aug. 25 <sup>th</sup>	Milltown	7:00 p.m.	Sean & Noreen O' Riordan Main Street, Milltown
Sat. Aug. 26 <sup>th</sup>	Listry	6:00 p.m.	Hannah Counihan 1 <sup>st</sup> Anniversary & Abbie Dora Gallagher 1 <sup>st</sup> Anniversary Listry
Sun. Aug. 27 <sup>th</sup>	Milltown	11:15 a.m.	Ann Clifford The Store, Callinafercy

Eucharistic Ministers				
Listry Saturday Aug. 26 <sup>th</sup>	Margaret Gallagher			
Milltown Sunday Aug. 27 <sup>th</sup>	Tim Fleming			
Readers				
Listry Saturday Aug. 26 <sup>th</sup>	Tom O' Sullivan			
Milltown Sunday Aug. 27 <sup>th</sup>	Elaine 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.

**Funeral Masses:** If you wish to have a family funeral mass recorded, please contact the parish office or Fr. Danny Broderick on (087)9061255/Rev. Conor Bradley (087) 3664057. All funeral masses will be livestreamed.

**Flower Arranger**: Margot Lawlor - 26<sup>th</sup> August - 8<sup>th</sup> September

#### Ordination to the Priesthood of Rev Mark Moriarty.

Congratulations to Fr. Mark Moriarty on his ordination last Sunday. It was a wonderful occasion. We pray that he might have good health and a lifetime of fulfilment in ministry.

**House Mass/Blessings:** If any family wish to have a house Blessing or a house Mass, please contact Fr. Danny Broderick directly on (087) 9061255 or the Parish Office (066) 9767312.

**Horizons:** on Radio Kerry every Sunday morning 9.00am – 10:00am communicating the Christian message.

<u>Celebration of Light Ceremony:</u> The tranquil setting of Tralee Bay Wetlands will once again provide the stunning backdrop for this year's Celebration of Light Ceremony, organised annually by cancer support charity Recovery Haven Kerry. Run in association with the Rose of Tralee Festival, this year's event will take place on Sunday, August 20, at 7pm and aims to unite those touched by cancer and remember those we have lost. All welcome and candles will be for sale on the night.

<u>Do you need to improve your reading, writing, maths?</u> Kerry ETB can help. It offers a free and confidential adult learning service, starting in September. These learning opportunities will include basic computers, one-to-one literacy tuition, using technology, budgeting, everyday maths.... Further information from Elaine, (086) 7969625, elaine.clifford@staff.kerryetb.ie or call into Kerry ETB office at 37 High Street (1st Floor), Killarney V93 NTCo.

#### **Booking an Anniversary Mass for 2024**

If you wish to book an Anniversary Mass for a loved one for the coming year, the 2024 diary will open on **Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> September**. Please note the first week will be designated to taking bookings for **First Anniversary Masses only.** The diary will open to all other Anniversary Masses from **Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> September** onwards.

# May all nations come to praise you Lord God.

Let your word go forth and not return empty.

Give courage and strength to those who bring the good news of Jesus your Son.

Make me a messenger of your peace.

Open the hearts of hearers to accept that message of peace.

Bring faith and trust in you to all people who long for salvation.

Hear the cries of all who long to hear your word. Send forth labourers into that harvest.

Let all who have accepted your word show forth justice in their lives.

Make them joyful in your house of prayer.

Accept our sacrifice of praise.

Let all the peoples praise you, O God.

Amen

Last weekend's collection - €1,135.00 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.

Priest on Duty this Sunday: Fr. Kevin Sullivan (087) 6277638