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St. Colman's Parish *17th Sunday in Ordinary Time* *29th /30th July 2023*

The Cullinan Diamond

This is a true story – no matter how much like a fairy tale it may sound. A totally unsuspecting man literally stumbled upon the world's largest diamond – all 3,106 carats of it. It happened in Premier Mine #2, near Pretoria, South Africa, in early 1905. This amazing stone was then sent in an ordinary cardboard box to England. One hundred and five stones were cut from this diamond, known as the Cullinan diamond. Two of the largest stones which it produced, the 530-carat *Star of Africa* and the 317-carat Cullinan II, are mounted on the *Sceptre with the Cross* of the British King/Queen as royal Crown Jewels. Cullinan I is the second largest polished gem and Cullinan II is the fourth largest polished diamond in the world. In this week's Gospel, Jesus compares the Kingdom of God with such a treasure.

We should live every moment in view of our precious goal. Most of the time, we are chasing false treasures such as money, social status, or worldly pleasures. Thus, the valuable "pearl" of sharing in God's life through Jesus here on earth and later in Heaven, is never found. Let us always remember that Heaven is within the reach of all of us who try to do the will of God, following the ordinary vocations of life and enjoying this world's joys and pleasures within the framework of God's Commandments. When we do this, we are already living in the Kingdom of Heaven while we are still on earth.

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Baptisms: We welcome into our Christian community:
Charlie James Johnston, Milltown

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

Masses & Intentions

Mon. July 31 st			<i>No Mass</i>
Tues. August 1 st	Listry	7:00 p.m.	
Wed. Aug. 2 nd	Milltown	10:00 a.m.	
Thurs Aug. 3 rd			
Fri. Aug. 4 th	Milltown	7:00 p.m.	<i>Michael & Hannah O' Shea, Kilderry, and all deceased family members</i>
Sat. Aug. 5 th	Listry	6:00 p.m.	
Sun. Aug. 6 th	Milltown	11:15 a.m.	<i>John Thompson 15th Anniversary Manchester</i>

Eucharistic Ministers

Listry Saturday Aug. 5th Margaret Gallagher
Milltown Sunday Aug. 6th Eileen Roche

Readers

Listry Saturday Aug. 5th Sinead O' Donnell
Milltown Sunday Aug. 6th Turlough O' Brien

Last weekend's collection 23rd July - €1,220.00

4th July - €605.00

Special collection – Sick & retired Priests - €225.00

11th July - €870.00

18th July - €495.00

Parish Graveyard collection - €1,403.00

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.

Flower Arranger: Breege O' Sullivan 29th July – 11th August

Second Collection: will be taken up at Masses w/e 5th /6th August.
- Pastoral Centre

First Friday Communion Calls: will take place on Friday August 4th. 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 or the parish office (066) 97 67312.

First Friday Confessions are available after 7:00p.m. Mass in Milltown Church on Friday August 4th.

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.

Monthly Prayer Meeting: Takes place in the Nagel Rice Community Hall on Sunday August 6th at 8:00p.m. Guest speaker Dan Horan. All most welcome.

The Communal First Saturday devotions: will take place on the 5th of August starting at 8.45 am in the Church of the Resurrection Killarney Devotions will begin with the Fatima intentions followed by the Rosary and the celebration of Mass at 9.30am. All welcome.

Youth 2000 Summer Festival: - Thurs. to Sun. 10th - 13th August. The Youth 2000 Summer Festival is a four-day Catholic event run by young people for young people from all across Ireland. It takes place in Clongowes Wood College, Clane Co. Kildare. Hear amazing talks. Meet other young Catholics. Explore your Faith. Come and see. No set charges. Donation only event. We have free buses coming from all across Ireland. To book your seat visit us at www.youth2000.ie

Down Syndrome Kerry: would like to thank the people who donated to the recent church gate collection in Listry dated 15/07/23. Total amount collected was €163.77. Your generosity is greatly appreciated.

Kerry diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes: will take place from Sept 1st to the 6th led by Bishop Ray. Flights from Kerry Airport. Booking through Marian Pilgrimages Dublin. Further information contact (01) 878 8159.

Our Lady of Lourdes Church Scartaglen: the next day of prayer for healing at will be on Sunday Sep 17th. Our team is taking a break for July and August. We wish all our patrons a relaxed and happy summer, and we look forward to meeting you all again in September.

Prayer for Grandparents

*Lord Jesus,
you were born of the Virgin Mary,
The daughter of Saints Joachim and Anne.
Look with love on grandparents the world over.
Protect them! They are a source of enrichment for
families, for the Church and for all of society.
Support them!
As they grow older,
May they continue to be for their families' strong pillars of
Gospel faith,
Guardians of noble domestic ideals,
Living treasuries of sound religious traditions.
Make them teachers of wisdom and courage,
That they may pass on to future generations the fruits
Of their mature human and spiritual experience.
Lord Jesus,
help families and society to value the presence and roles
of grandparents.
May they never be ignored or excluded, but always
encounter respect and love.
Help them to live serenely and to feel welcomed in all the
years of life which you give them.
Mary, Mother of all the living,
keep grandparents constantly in your care,
Accompany them on their earthly pilgrimage,
and by your prayers, grant that all families
May one day be reunited in our heavenly homeland,
Where you await all humanity for the great embrace of
live without end.*

Amen

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