

St. Colman's Parish 27th Sunday in Ordinary Time 7th/8th October 2023

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Rejected stone becoming the cornerstone:

A girl named Kristi Yamaguchi was born to a young couple whose parents had emigrated to the U.S. from Japan in the early twentieth century. Unfortunately, one of her feet was twisted. Her parents tried to heal her by means of physical therapy. To strengthen her legs further they enrolled her in an ice-skating class. Kristi had to get up at four am on school days to do her practice in the ice rink before she went to school. This helped her to develop into a world-class figure-skater. In 1992 Kristi won the gold medal for the United States in women's figure-skating at the XVI Winter Olympics in Albertville, France. Kristi thus became one of the several examples of "the stone rejected by the builders becoming a cornerstone," in this case, of the U.S. Women's Olympic team. — Kristi is very passionate about making a positive difference in the lives of children. In 1996, Kristi established the Always Dream Foundation whose mission is to encourage, support and, embrace the hopes and dreams of children. In today's Gospel, after telling the parable of the wicked tenants, Jesus prophesies that, rejected by the Jewish nation, he will become the cornerstone of the Kingdom of God.

Giving a theological explanation of Israel's history of gross ingratitude through a parable, Jesus, in this weekends' Gospel, reminds each one of us Christians that, since we are the "new" Israel, enriched with additional blessings and provisions in the Church, we are expected to show our gratitude to God by bearing fruits of the kingdom, fruits of the Holy Spirit, in our lives, and to give God the Glory for these accomplishments.

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

Masses & Intentions

Mon. Oct. 9 th			No Mass
Tues. Oct. 10 th	Listry	7:00 p.m.	Sheila O' Sullivan (Months Mind) Lissivane East
Wed. Oct. 11 th	Milltown	10:00 a.m.	People of the Parish
Thurs Oct. 12 th			No Mass
Fri. Oct. 13 th	Milltown	7:00 p.m.	First Holy Communion Enrolment Service Milltown Primary School
Sat. Oct. 14 th	Listry	6:00 p.m.	John & Teresa O' Sullivan Ardmalode
Sun. Oct. 15 th	Milltown	11:15 a.m.	Brendan Carey Milltown/Cromane

Eucharistic Ministers					
Listry Saturday Oct. 14 th	Margaret Gallagher				
Milltown Sunday Oct. 15 th	Sheila O' Sullivan				
Readers					
Listry Saturday Oct 14 th	Tom O' Sullivan				
Milltown Sunday Oct. 15 th	Family Readers				

All Weekend Masses will be streamed online via www.milltownlistryparish.comor 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 (087)9061255 or Rev. Conor Bradley (087) 3664057. All funeral masses are livestreamed.

Flower Arranger: Breege O' Sullivan 7th October – 20th October.

Second Collection: will be taken up at Masses w/e 21st/22nd October.
- Mission Sunday

To celebrate **October Mission Month**, Join the diocesan Webinar – Hearts on Fire: Feet on the Move on **Thursday 19th October at 7.30pm**. To Register go to www.dioceseofkerry.ie Key speaker for the webinar is Fr Tony O'Riordan SJ who will share his experiences as an overseas missionary. He is currently based in Aleppo working as Director of Jesuit Refugee Service (JRS) Syria, where thousands of lives have been devastated by war, economic collapse and, in early February, a catastrophic earthquake. Fr Tony is from Kilmichael, Co Cork He was parish priest of Moyross, Limerick before he went to Maban in South Sudan where he led a response to drought and floods for three years. He is now overseeing the earthquake response for the Jesuit Refugee Service in Syria.

The feast day of Our Lady of Fatima: occurs on the 13th October, where we recall the wonderful miracle of the sun that occurred that day in 1917 when Our Blessed Mother visited Fatima. The rosary and Divine Mercy chaplet will be recited on that day on Main St, Killarney at 3 p.m. We are hoping for a large crowd and that many parishes will be represented. Looking forward to seeing you all there.

<u>Poll an Aifrinn annual Mass</u> (Keelacloghane Wood) will be held on Sunday October 15th at 3p.m. In the event of poor weather on the day, this Mass will take place in the Milltown Church. All are welcome.

Recovery Haven Kerry Cancer Support House is currently enrolling for its upcoming *CUBS Programme* - a bereavement programme aimed at **children aged between 8 and 12** years of age, who are dealing with the loss of a parent through cancer. Through play & art, children will learn about grief responses and learn how to cope with their feelings. The 8 week programme starts on Monday Oct. 9th (4.30pm-6pm)

Anam Cara Kerry: the organisation that supports bereaved parents, is holding its monthly Parent Evening for bereaved parents on Tuesday 10th October at 7:15pm. Further information on info@anamcara.ie

<u>Milltown Town Centre First Masterplan:</u> A Drop-In Event to voice your opinions will be held on 9th October 2023 from 12:00 noon to 6:00 pm at the Nagle Rice Community Centre. Pop by to HAVE YOU SAY!

<u>Coláiste Íde, An Daingean, Co Chiarraí:</u> Open Day on October 21st from 10am–4pm. All are most welcome.

Lord, you planted me on this earth.
You fenced me around with the love of family and friends.
Their care towered over me.
In the shelter of this tower, I grew in safety and peace.
I put out early blossoms; I filled up with leaves.
People had great hopes for me.
You had great hopes for me.
But now they year of my life is passing.
The harvest is approaching.
What fruit have I to show?
What if, after all this care,
I have nothing to offer but sour grapes.
May you, Lord, have mercy on me,
And with your patient urging
Help me to produce the fruits of love.

Parish Draw

It is that time of the year again and the wheels are in motion for our annual Parish Draw. This fundraiser is of vital importance for the financial health of the parish. It is hoped that all parishioners would support the draw. and keep the parish in a relatively healthy financial state. If you would like to volunteer to help distribute cards to houses in your area, please contact the office. All help gratefully appreciated.

Last weekend's collection - €760.00 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: Fr. Kevin Sullivan (087) 6277638

The Parish Office will be closed on Thursday morning October 12th for a Diocesan Meeting and will re-open in the afternoon 2.30pm – 5.30pm