



St. Colman's Parish
Fifth Sunday of Lent
5th /6th April 2025

Second chance

Dr. A.J. Cronin was a great Christian physician in England. One night he assigned a young nurse to a little boy who had been brought to the hospital suffering from diphtheria and given only a slight chance to live. A tube was inserted into the boy's throat to help him breathe. It was the nurse's job periodically to clean out the tube. As the nurse sat beside the boy's bed, she accidentally dozed off. She awakened to find that the tube had become blocked. Instead of following instructions, she was immobilised by panic. Hysterically she called the doctor from his home. By the time he got to the boy, he was dead. Dr. Cronin was angry beyond expression. That night Dr. Cronin went to his office and wrote his recommendation to the board demanding the immediate expulsion of the nurse. He called her in and read it, his voice trembling with anger. She stood there in pitiful silence, a tall, thin, gawky Welsh girl. She nearly fainted with shame and remorse. "Well," asked Dr. Cronin in a harsh voice, "have you nothing to say for yourself?" There was more silence. Then she uttered this pitiful plea, "...please give me another chance." Dr. Cronin sent her away. But he could not sleep that night. He kept hearing some words from the dark distance: "Forgive us our trespasses." The next morning Dr. Cronin went to his desk and tore up the report. In the years that followed he watched as this slim, nervous girl became the head of a large hospital and one of the more honoured nurses in England. — Thank God for a second chance, and a third chance, and fourth chance!

We have no right to judge others because we often commit the very faults we condemn, we are often partial and prejudiced in our judgments, and we do not know the circumstances which have led someone to sin. Hence, let us leave the judgment to our merciful God Who does read people's hearts. We should show mercy and compassion to those who sin because we ourselves are sinners in need of God's forgiveness. The apostle Paul reminds us: "But if we judged ourselves, we would not come under judgment." (1 Cor 11:31).

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Recent Deaths: Please pray for:

Pat O' Brien, Elm Drive, Milltown

David Fleming, Laharn

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

Masses & Intentions

Mon. April 7 th	Milltown	11:15 a.m.	<i>No Mass</i>
Tues April 8 th	Listry	7:00 p.m.	<i>Michael Joe Donnelly Ballytrasna and all deceased family members</i>
Wed. April 9 th	Milltown	10:00 a.m.	<i>Private Intention</i>
Thurs April 10 th			<i>No Mass</i>
Fri. April 11 th	Milltown	7:00 p.m.	<i>Michael & Eileen Flynn Rathpook</i>
Sat. April 12 th	Listry	6:00 p.m.	<i>Patrick Mannix -1st Anniversary Keel Faha</i>
Sun. April 13 th	Milltown	11:15 a.m.	<i>For all deceased members of the Hanafin family, Corpus Christi Tce.</i>

Eucharistic Ministers

Milltown Sunday April 13th Dorothy Casey

Minister of the Word

Listry Saturday April 12th Sinead O' Donnell

Milltown Sunday April 13th Linus Burke

Readings can be collected in advance from the Sacristy after any Mass

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.

Second Collection: will be taken up at Masses this weekend

- Family Services & Accord

This collection helps fund many of the Diocesan Services including ACCORD, St. Senan's, Safeguarding, Data Protection as well as the promotion of catechetical initiatives.

Monthly Prayer Meeting: takes place in the Nagle Rice community Hall on Sunday April 6th from 8:00 p.m.-9.30pm. Guest Speaker is Terry Quinn, Dundalk. All most welcome.

Beyond Optimism: The Gospels as a Key Source of Christian Hope: Fr Séamus O'Connell will lead a morning of reflection on the journey from optimism to hope, on Saturday, April 12th, 10.15-12.45pm in Our Lady and St Brendan's Pastoral Centre, Tralee. The morning will follow the way of Lectio Divina - the oldest Christian way of reading the Scriptures. All are welcome.

3rd Annual Diocesan Pilgrimage to Knock will take place on Saturday 23rd of August 2025. May our prayer be "To Jesus through Mary". Please pray for the safety of all pilgrims who travel.

Trip to Inisfallen: There will be a pilgrimage (Mass and Talk) to Inisfallen Island, Killarney, on the 15 May. If you wish to go on this pilgrimage call Tigh na Sagart (066) 9156131. It is essential to book your place.

Accord Tralee: are recruiting new members for Counselling and facilitating pre-Marriage courses. An open evening will be held in the Meadowlands Hotel. V92 DC83 on Monday 28th April - 7.30pm - 9.pm. All are welcome. Contact No (066) 7122280. tralee@accord.ie.

Meals On Wheels: Listry Community continue to run our Meal on Wheels Service, Three days a week. Monday, Wednesday & Friday. This is a vital service especially at this difficult time. To avail of this service please call Cathriona (087) 9381063. Meals will be dropped to the person home, and we deliver this service to as many as we can.

Listry Community Council CLG Annual General Meeting: takes place on Tues. 8th April 8pm in Listry Community Centre. All welcome.

County Clean Up Day: This year County Clean Up Day is being held on Saturday April 12th April. The Listry Tidy up group are asking the people of the Parish to get involved in given the place a good clean up Bags will be available at the community centre.

Foot Health Practitioner: will attend Listry Community Centre on Wednesday. April 9th For an appointment, call Paula (087) 6606585.

First Holy Communion Ceremony

Milltown Church - Nagle Rice P.S. on Saturday May 10th 10:30am
Listry Church - Faha P.S. on Saturday May 17th at 11:00am

Lord

*When I think about the past
let it be a remembrance of your marvels worked in my life.
There are failures and regrets in my life indeed.
Do not call to mind my sins and failings
but make of me a new creation.
Not looking back, I strain ahead for what is to come,
for the reward of your saving love.
Help me not to sin anymore.
May I always be compassionate to the weak and helpless.
Let my words and actions of each day
reap a rich harvest of eternal life.
Amen*

Last Weekend's collection - €735.00

Thank you for your generous support

The offertory collection is not 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.

Killorglin Pastoral Area

Priest on Duty Sunday 23rd

Fr. Fergal Ryan (087) 2408540

*In an emergency always ring your own Priest first
If he is unavailable, please ring the following:*

Monday: same as Sunday

Tuesday: Fr. Kieran O'Sullivan, (087) 2432155

Wednesday: Fr. Fergal Ryan, (087) 2408540

Thursday: Fr. Danny Broderick, (087) 9061255

Friday: Fr. Kevin Sullivan, (087) 6277638