



St. Colman's Parish
26th Sunday in Ordinary Time
27th /28th September 2025

The parable that challenged Dr. Albert Schweitzer is the parable of the rich man and Lazarus. This story Jesus told made a man with three doctoral degrees (one in medicine, one in theology, one in philosophy), to go back to school to study medicine, leave civilisation with all its culture, and amenities and go to the jungles of darkest Africa to serve as a missionary doctor for 47 years. It was this parable which induced a man, who was recognised as one of the best soloists and concert organists in all Europe, to go to a place where there were no organs to play! It was this powerful parable which so intensely motivated a man that he gave up a teaching position as university professor in Vienna, Austria to go to help people who were so deprived that they were still living in the superstitions of the dark ages, for all practical purposes. At the age of 38, he became a full-fledged medical doctor with specialisation in tropical medicine. At the age of 43, he left for Africa where he opened a hospital on the edge of the jungle in what was then called Equatorial Africa. He died there in 1965 at the age of 90. The man, of course, was Dr. Albert Schweitzer who won the Nobel Peace Prize in 1952. — The single parable that so radically altered his life, according to him, was our text for this weekend's Gospel, the parable of the rich man and Lazarus, the beggar. That parable convinced Schweitzer that the rich, Europe, should share its riches with the poor, Africa, and that he should start the process.

We are all rich enough to share our blessings with others. God has blessed each one of us with wealth or health or special talents or social power or political influence or a combination of many blessings. The parable invites us to share what we have been given with others in various ways instead of using everything exclusively for selfish gains.

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Recent Deaths: Please pray for the response of the souls of:
Elzbieta Sikorska (our former Sacristan Sandra's mother)
Maureen Cronin, Clonmore

Month Mind Service for Kenneth O'Neill Milltown will take place on Saturday 4th October at 6pm in St Michaels Church Ivreagh Rd. Killorglin.

Baptism: We welcome into our Christian community:
Rory Christopher Carpenter, Kent U.K.

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

Masses & Intentions

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| Mon. Sept. 29 th | | | <i>No Mass</i> |
| Tues. Sept. 30 th | Listry | 7:00 p.m. | <i>Con, Mary & Dan O' Callaghan Lahard Nellie, Mike & Susan Kalo</i> |
| Wed. Oct. 1 st | Milltown | 10:00 a.m. | <i>People of the Parish</i> |
| Thur Oct. 2 nd | | | <i>No Mass</i> |
| Fri. Oct. 3 rd | Milltown | 7:00 p.m. | |
| Sat. Oct. 4 th | Listry | 6:00 p.m. | |
| Sun. Oct. 5 th | Milltown | 11:15 a.m. | <i>Jer McGillicuddy Farran</i> |

Eucharistic Ministers

Listry Saturday Oct. 4th Bridie Murphy
Milltown Sunday Oct. 5th Anna Clifford & Tim Fleming

Minister of the Word

Listry Saturday Oct. 4th Michael F. O' Connor
Milltown Sunday Oct. 5th Elaine O' Sullivan

Offertory Collector

Milltown: October – Danny McKenna

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.

Flower Arranger: Doris Mangan 4th October – 17th October

Our church is blessed with beautiful flowers on the Altar each week, thanks to the generosity of our volunteers. If you'd like to be part of the rota — which usually involves helping just once every 2 to 3 months — please leave your name and contact details with the parish office at (066) 9767312. Thank you for your support.

First Council of Nicaea: This year is 1700th anniversary of the first council of Nicaea. On Sunday 5 October 2025 we join with Christian Churches throughout Ireland to mark and remember Nicaea and the Nicene Creed which came from it. We hold this creed in common with Christians for the last 1700 years, around the world and across the traditions. This Sunday is an opportunity for shared witness and reflection on the core beliefs that unite us in Christ.

First Friday Communion Calls: will take place on Friday 3rd October. If you have a family member or neighbour who wishes to receive Holy Communion each month in their home, please contact Fr. Timothy (0870009181) Rev. Conor (087) 3664057 or the office (066) 97 67312.

Monthly Prayer Meeting: takes place in the Nagle Rice community Hall on Sunday 5th October from 8-9.30pm. Guest speaker, Fr. Jim Linehan. All most welcome.

Fear. Hope. Mercy. A Recollection Weekend on the Four Last Things
Date: 31st October-2nd November. Location: Tí Chulainn Centre, Mullaghbawn Co. Armagh An opportunity for adult Catholics who would like to go deeper in their faith and life more truly in the light of that for which they were created to come together in prayer and reflection. Sacraments, Conferences, Silence, Community and more. Retreat leader: Fr Patrick Desmond OP. Fully residential with full board - non residential rates available also - all details online. Early bird closes Monday 29th September. For more info visit www.thecollect.ie or info@thecollect.ie

Music Ministry: Calling all singers & musicians! Whether your part of a parish choir, folk group, cantor, or musician join us for a special celebration of Music Ministry in this Jubilee Year on Nov 18th, 7:30pm at St Mary's Cathedral, Killarney.

Farmers event "Health, Safety and Wellbeing" for Farmers and their Families on Saturday 4th October at the Mid Kerry Milltown Mart, from 10:00am – 2:00 p.m.

MS South Kerry Branch: church gate collection takes place 4th/5th October.

The Three Sons

A father had three sons, one day he said to them,
Go and work in the vineyard today.
The first said, Sure, Dad, but he didn't go.
The second said, I won't go, however, later in the day
he changed his mind and went grudgingly.
The third said, Sure, Dad.
And he went immediately and willingly.
Which of the sons will feel closest to the father
at the end of the day?
The third, of course.
The more we do the will of God out of love,
The more we will appreciate his love for us.
Lord, save us from the darkness of broken promises,
And help us to walk in the light of faithfulness.

Confessions

Confessions will begin on the 26th/27th September and will continue every Friday and Saturday as follows:

- **Milltown:** Fridays, 5:30 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.
- **Listry:** Saturdays, 5:10 p.m. – 5:40 p.m.

Offertory collection

Last Weekend's collection -€840.00

Thank you for your generous support

Killorglin Pastoral Area

Priest on Duty this Sunday

Fr. Kevin Sullivan (087)6277638

In emergency always ring your own Priest first.

If he is unavailable, please ring the following:

Monday: Fr. Kevin Sullivan (087) 6277638

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

Wednesday: Fr. Fergal Ryan, (087) 2408540

Thursday: Fr. Kevin Sullivan, (087) 6277638

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