



***St. Colman's Parish***  
***3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday in ordinary time***  
***24<sup>th</sup> /25<sup>th</sup> January 2026***

## **Light and darkness**

Terry Anderson, a journalist for the Associated Press, was seized and held hostage in Lebanon for seven years; blindfolded almost all of that time, Anderson described his experience in this way, "Deepest darkness, fumbling, uncertainties are frightening. More frightening is the darkness of the mind, when outside light makes no impression and inner lights go dim. . ." [Den of Lions, Crown Publishers, Inc. (New York: 1993).]

In the Holy Scriptures, light and darkness serve as symbols for good and evil. In this Sunday's first reading and in the Gospel, Jesus is presented as the One sent to remove the darkness of sin from the world. Through Isaiah, God promises that His people will see an end to the darkness of oppression and separation. This Sunday's Gospel shows us how the prophecy of Isaiah was fulfilled in Jesus.

### **St. John Henry Newman, (Cardinal Newman)'s prayer for light in the darkness of life**

Lead, kindly Light,  
amid the encircling gloom,  
Lead thou me on!  
The night is dark,  
and I am far from home, –  
Lead thou me on!  
Keep thou my feet;  
I do not ask to see  
The distant scene, –  
one step enough for me.

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## **Safeguarding Children: Contact No (087) 6362780**

**Recent Death:** Please pray for the repose of the soul of  
**Pat Joe Murphy**, Callinafercy West

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

## *Masses & Intentions*

Mon. Jan. 26 <sup>th</sup>			<i>No Mass</i>
Tues. Jan. 27 <sup>th</sup>	Listry	7:00 p.m.	<i>Dan &amp; Mary McCarthy Lissivane West</i>
Wed. Jan. 28 <sup>th</sup>	Milltown	10:00 a.m.	<i>Mass for Grandparents of Nagle Rice Primary School</i>
Thurs. Jan. 29 <sup>th</sup>			<i>No Mass</i>
Friday Jan. 30 <sup>th</sup>	Milltown	7:00 p.m.	<i>Michael Buckley 1<sup>st</sup> Anniversary Meadow Park, Milltown</i>
Sat. Jan. 31st	Listry	6:00 p.m.	<i>Patrick &amp; Bridget Curran Lissivane East</i>
Sun. Feb. 1 <sup>st</sup>	Milltown	11:15 a.m.	<i>Feast of St Brigid Paddy &amp; Peggy Leane Kilburn</i>

## Offertory Collector

## February Paddy Lawlor

## Eucharistic Ministers

Listry Saturday Jan. 31<sup>st</sup> Eileen Fitzgerald  
Milltown Sunday Feb. 1<sup>st</sup> Betty Moriarty

## Minister of the Word

Listry Saturday Jan. 31<sup>st</sup>      Elizabeth Griffin  
Milltown Sunday Jan. 25<sup>th</sup>      Josephine Twiss

All Weekend Masses will be streamed online via [www.milltownlistryparish.com](http://www.milltownlistryparish.com) or [churchmediatv.ie](http://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:** Margot Lawlor 31<sup>st</sup> Jan - 13<sup>th</sup> Feb.

**First Friday Communion Calls:** will take place on Friday February 6<sup>th</sup>. If you have a family member or neighbour who wishes to receive Holy Communion each month in their home, please contact Fr. Timothy (087) 0009181 or Rev. Conor (087) 3664057 or the office (066) 97 67312.

**Diocesan Mission 2026:** The Diocesan Mission with the theme, Peace be with you all, will take place from Sunday February 8th – Wednesday February 11th. Each day, you are invited to join in the Mission Talk, Prayer, Mass, Video Reflection, Prayer Petition and Family Time. Speakers include Sr Finola Cunnane, Jim Deeds, Dr John Lannon and Gemma Mulligan. To participate in the Mission, register through the diocesan website, [www.dioceseofkerry.ie](http://www.dioceseofkerry.ie)

**Monthly Prayer Meeting:** takes place in the Nagle Rice community Hall on Sunday February 1<sup>st</sup> from 8:00 p.m.-9.30pm. All most welcome

**Kerry Diocesan Pilgrimage to Fatima:** takes place 11<sup>th</sup> -17<sup>th</sup> May. 6 nights from Shannon Led by Fr. Noel Spring Price, €1089pp, includes return coach from Kerry to Shannon, direct flight from Shannon to Porto with 10kg hand luggage and 6 nights stay at 4\* Hotel Fatima. Details: Barter's Travelnet: (021) 4851700, [kcallaghan@travelnet.ie](mailto:kcallaghan@travelnet.ie)

**Kerry Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes:** 10th - 15th June ex Kerry Price, €980pp, includes return direct flights Kerry/Tarbes (Lourdes), coach transfers to/ from Lourdes airport, all airport taxes and local city taxes, travel insurance up to 85 years (€40 extra for those over 85. €300 deposit required to book Contact Nora, (087) 9318976 [pilgrimage@dioceseofkerry.ie](mailto:pilgrimage@dioceseofkerry.ie)

**Trocaire:** wish to thank everyone who generously supported this years Christmas gift appeal. Every gift brings real hope to families and communities living in poverty and provides an opportunity to create positive, lasting change.

**Help Start a Foróige Youth Club in Milltown:** Foróige wishes to invite you to a public information night on Tuesday 27th January at 8pm in the Nagle Rice Community Centre. Foróige is currently looking for volunteers in Milltown to get a new club off the ground for young people aged 12-17. No prior experience in youth work is required; Foróige provides full training and ongoing support. Volunteers can be any one in the community over the age of 18 who is passionate about supporting young people. It is fun, rewarding, exciting and hugely beneficial for all involved. Please get in touch with Trudy McQuaid, Club Development Officer, if this is something that interests you on (086) 834 4978.

## **Children's Choir – New Members Welcome! 🎵**

We are delighted to welcome new members to our Children's Choir here in Milltown Church. The choir sings regularly at the 11:15 a.m. Sunday Mass, helping to lead and enrich our parish liturgy. Practices generally take place on Thursdays from 5:30–6:15 p.m. in Milltown Church. Children aged 5 years and upwards are very welcome to attend.

No previous singing experience is needed – just a love of music and singing together. We would love to see some new faces join our choir family!

Please contact Deirdre on 086/1703332

### **Candlemas Day:**

is celebrated on 2<sup>nd</sup> February and marks the return of light, a symbol of protection and prosperity. It commemorates the presentation of Jesus at the Temple of Jerusalem, referring to him as the light of the people of Israel. The blessing of candles will take place during Masses next weekend, 31<sup>st</sup> Jan/1<sup>st</sup> Feb. Please bring your own candles if you would like to have them blessed during Mass.

### **St. Blaise's Feast Day:**

is celebrated on 3<sup>rd</sup> Feb. The blessing of St. Blaise is a sign of our faith in God's protection and love for us and for the sick. The blessing of throats will take place after Masses next weekend 31<sup>st</sup> Jan /1<sup>st</sup> Feb.

## **Upcoming Parish Sacramental Celebrations**

### **Confirmation Ceremony – Monday - March 9<sup>th</sup>**

Milltown Church for children of Nagle Rice P.S. – 11:00 a.m.

Listry Church for children of Faha P.S. – 2:30 p.m.

### **First Holy Communion Ceremony**

Milltown Church - Nagle Rice P.S. on Saturday May 16<sup>th</sup> at 11:00 a.m.

Listry Church -Faha P.S. on Saturday May 23<sup>rd</sup> at 11:00 a.m.

## **Offertory Collections**

Last weekend's collection €1,065.00

Thank you for your generous support.

## **Killorglin Pastoral Area**

**Priest on Duty this Sunday**

**Fr. Kevin Sullivan (087) 6277638**