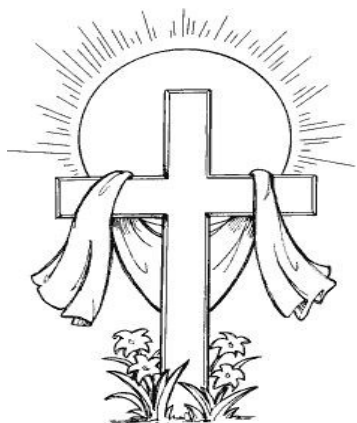




St. Colman's Parish

23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

5th/6th September 2026

 **Season of Creation: 1st September – 4th October**

As we begin the Season of Creation, celebrated each year from 1 September to 4 October, we are invited to pause and give thanks for the beauty of God's creation and to reflect on our responsibility to care for our common home. This worldwide Christian season of prayer and action concludes on the Feast of St Francis of Assisi, the patron saint of ecology.

This year's theme of ***"Living Water"*** reminds us that water is one of God's greatest gifts. From the streams and rivers around us to the rain that nourishes our fields, water sustains all life. Yet many people throughout the world experience drought, flooding, pollution, or lack access to safe drinking water. We are called not only to be grateful for God's gifts but also to be good stewards of them.

Today's Gospel reminds us that we belong to one another. Jesus teaches us to care enough for each other to speak the truth in love and to build up our community through compassion and reconciliation. **"Where two or three are gathered in my name, I am there among them"**

Care for creation begins in the same spirit. We look beyond ourselves and recognise that our choices affect our neighbours, future generations, and the earth itself. Just as the prophet Ezekiel was called to be a watchman for the people, we too are called to watch over and protect the gifts God has entrusted to us.

During this Season of Creation, may we listen more closely to God's voice in the beauty of nature around us, cherish the gift of water, and work together as a parish community to care for creation with gratitude, wisdom, and hope.

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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.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament takes place every Friday in Milltown Church from 6:00p.m. -7:00p.m.
Confessions - Friday – Milltown: 5:10 p.m. – 5:40 p.m.
Confessions – Saturday – Listry: 5:10pm – 5.40 p.m.

Masses & Intentions

Mon. Sept 7 th			<i>No Mass.</i>
Tues. Sept 8 th	Listry	7:00 p.m.	<i>The People of the Parish.</i>
Wed. Sept 9 th	Milltown	10:00 a.m.	<i>William O’ Brien Laharan.</i>
Thurs. Sept 10 th			<i>No Mass.</i>
Fri. Sept 11 th	Milltown	7:00 p.m.	<i>Kathleen Flynn, Timothy Flynn & Tom Courtney Rockfield.</i>
Sat. Sept 12 th	Listry	6:00 p.m.	<i>Elizabeth Sikorska Poland.</i>
Sun. Sept 13 th	Milltown	11:15 a.m.	<i>Joan Griffin Castlemaine Road.</i>

Eucharistic Ministers

Listry Saturday September 12th Carmel Kennedy
 Milltown Sunday September 13th Josephine Twiss & Deirdre Corkery

Minister of the Word

Listry Saturday September 12th Jim O’ Shea
 Milltown Sunday September 13th Josephine Twiss

September Offertory Collector: Liam Ryan.

Flower Arranger: Margot Lawlor | 5th – 18th September.

The Parish Office: will be closed on 📅 **Thursday, 10th September and Saturday, 12th September.** If your matter is urgent, please contact Fr. Timothy. Alternatively, you may leave a message on **066 9767312** or email milltown@dioceseofkerry.ie and we will respond as soon as possible the following week.

Community First Responders Church Gate Collection: will be taken up before Masses on the w/e 📅 **12th & 13th Sept.** The proceeds of this church gate collection will go toward the purchase of new equipment and training for our Community Group. *'Your support would be greatly appreciated'.*

Envelope No. 282: If you are **Envelope No. 282**, could you please contact the Parish Office when you have a chance. Thank You.

Monthly Prayer Meeting: Takes place in the Nagle Rice community Hall on Sunday September 6th from 8:00 p.m. -9.30pm. All are most welcome.

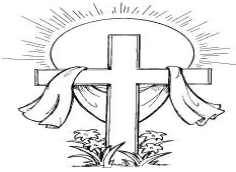
Sunday Refreshments: please join us for refreshments after Sunday Mass in Milltown on 📅 **September 13th.** This is a good opportunity to meet with fellow parishioners and strengthen our parish community.

Killarney Alzheimer Café: will meet on 📅 **Wednesday, 16th September** from 11am – 1pm at Coill na Darrach Community Room. Eircode V93 VXY8. Guest speaker Mihael Cahillane Sage Advocacy. Further details please call Lynda (087) 3556508

Killarney Alzheimer's Memory Walk 2026: taking place on 📅 **Sunday, 20th September.** Join Alzheimer's Memory Walk, supported by Aviva, as communities come together in over 40 locations across the country to remember and honour those living with Alzheimer's and other forms of dementia, and the families who stand beside them every step of the way. 📍 Killarney's Meeting Point is at the entrance of ***The Killarney National Park opposite St Mary's Cathedral*** at 11.00am. Walk is 5KM. Go to www.memorywalk.ie to register.

Season of Creation 2026: The Season of Creation begins on 📅 **Tuesday, September 1st,** the World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation, and continues until **October 4th,** the Feast of St Francis of Assisi. This year's theme is Living Water. All are invited to participate in an activity or take action to care for creation. A special leaflet containing ideas and practical suggestions is available in your parish. Further information: www.dioceseofkerry.ie/justice

Legion of Mary: Rosary on Main Street, Killarney will be held on 📅 **Sunday, September 13th at 3 p.m.** We offer our rosary to the Blessed Mother following her request at Fatima to pray for world peace in this manner. We hope to see you there.



Welcome Back to Our Schools!

We would like to wish a warm welcome back to all the pupils, teachers, staff, and families of our parish schools as they have all now fully returned after their summer break.

We ask God's blessing on all students, staff, and everyone involved in the life of our schools. May their new academic year be filled with learning, friendship, growth, and joy.

Prayer for the New School Year

Loving God, thank you for the rest and relaxation we enjoyed over the summer.

We pray for our children over these weeks as they embark once more or for the first time a new school year.

Bless them with joy at seeing friends, excitement at new experiences, and a love of learning.

Watch over all who learn, replacing fear with joy, anxiety with peace, and tiredness with energy.

Grant teachers' wisdom, patience, and joy in serving their students.

In Jesus' name we pray.

Amen.

Last Weekend's Offertory Collection | **€985.00**

August 1st - Special Collection | Pastoral Centre | **€380.00**

Thank you for your generosity and continued support!

Killorglin Pastoral Area

Priest on Duty this Weekend

Kerian O' Sullivan (087) 2432155