

17th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Parish of Ardfert

25 July 2021

ST BRENDAN'S CHURCH, ARDFERT & SACRED HEART CHURCH, KILMOYLEY

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RECENT DEATHS: *Timmy Murphy, Danesfort, Co Kilkenny*

ANNIVERSARIES: Paddy Crowley, Sackville; Timothy Fitzpatrick, Ardahan; Tom Joy, Ballyrobert; Den (Denis) Young, Ballinorig, Causeway; Bill Shanahan, Ardfert & Tralee.

Masses for week commencing Sunday 25 July – St Brendan's Church, Ardfert

Sun	11.00 am	Brenda McGrath, Banna and Josephine Barrett née Clifford, Moan
Mon	10.00 am	The Feast of Saints Joachim and Anne – Timmy Murphy, Danesfort, Co Kilkenny (recently deceased)
Tues	10.00 am	Living and deceased members of Eucharistic Adoration Group
Tues	11.00 am – 12 noon	<i>Eucharistic Exposition and Adoration</i>
Weds	10.00 am	Special Intention
Thurs	10.00 am	The Feast of Saints Martha, Mary and Lazarus, Bethany – Mass of Thanksgiving
Fri	10.00 am	Mass for all the People of the Parish
Sat	10.00 am	
Sun	11.00 am	Michael Hayes, West Commons (3 rd anniv); Donal O'Flaherty, Sackville and Bridie & Jack Clifford, Sackville; Eugene & Bridie Courtney, Killeacle and Mary Kirby, Killeacle

Masses for week commencing Sunday 25 July – Sacred Heart Church, Kilmoyley

Sat	7.00 pm	Deceased members of the Herlihy family, Maharees
Fri	7.00 pm	
Sat	7.00 pm	

READERS next weekend: Kilmoyley 7 pm: Kathleen O'Sullivan

Ardfert 11 am: Mairead Mackessy

- ❖ We welcome into the Christian community the following children: baby Rhea Eliza, daughter of Laura Higgins & Karl King, West Commons; River Tace and Teagan Bree, daughters of Nichola Sheehan & Brenainn Gould-Duff, Ardfert and baby Cian Kieran, son of Shivaun & Raymond Fitzmaurice, Carrahane.

All Masses are now live-streamed. Visit www.dioceseofkerry.ie and go to Ardfert Parish page and click on either the Ardfert or Kilmoyley church link.

- ❖ We congratulate Danielle O'Riordan, Ballinprior and Seán Dee, Ballybunion who celebrated their marriage in St Brendan's Church, Ardfert on 9th July 2021. We ask the Lord to continue to bless both of them in lots of different ways, both now and in the future, and grant them a very, very happy marriage.

World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly:

This Sunday, 25th July 2021, the Church is celebrating the first ever World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly. Appropriately it is being celebrated on the Sunday closest to 26th July which is the Feast Day of Saints Joachim and Anne, who are believed to be the parents of the Blessed Virgin Mary and hence the grandparents of Jesus. On this World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly we celebrate their wisdom and life experience which is invaluable and which can be of enormous benefit to the younger generations. We also celebrate their commitment to the faith and how grandparents in particular continue to nurture the faith of their grandchildren as well as that of their own children. May the Lord continue to bless them and reward them for this!

Prayer and Reflection sheets are in both churches – please take one home.

Prayer for Grandparents

(Composed by Pope Benedict XVI)

Lord Jesus, You were born of the Virgin Mary, the daughter of Saints Joachim and Anne. Look with love on grandparents the world over. Protect them! They are a source of enrichment for families, for the Church and for all of society.

Support them! As they grow older, may they continue to be for their families strong pillars of Gospel faith, guardians of noble domestic ideals, living treasures of sound religious traditions. Make them teachers of wisdom and courage, that they may pass on to future generations the fruits of their mature human and spiritual experience.

Lord Jesus, help families and society to value the presence and role of grandparents. May they never be ignored or excluded, but always encounter respect and love. Help them to live serenely and to feel welcomed in all the years of life which You give them.

Mary, Mother of all the living, keep grandparents constantly in your care, accompany them on their earthly pilgrimage, and by your prayers, grant that all families may one day be reunited in our heavenly homeland, where you await all humanity for the great embrace of life without end. Amen!