



St. Colman's Parish
First Sunday of Advent
27th /28th November 2021

Advent

Advent is a time of waiting for Christ, allowing Jesus to be reborn in our lives. It is also a time for purifying our hearts by repentance and for renewing our lives by reflecting on and experiencing the several comings (advents) of Christ into our lives. Besides coming into our world through birth, Jesus comes into our lives as we live them through His Church, its Sacraments (especially the Eucharist), the Word of God, the worshipping community, as we die, and finally, in His Second Coming.

Missing the signal! In its day, the Titanic was the world's largest ocean-liner, weighing 46,328 tons, and it was considered unsinkable. Yet, late during the night of April 14-15, 1912, the unthinkable happened to the unsinkable. Near midnight, the great Titanic struck an iceberg, ripping a three-hundred-foot hole through five of its sixteen watertight compartments. It sank in two and a half hours killing 1,513 people. Before the Titanic sank, warning after warning had been sent to tell the crew that they were speeding into an ice field, but the messages were ignored. In fact, when a nearby ship sent an urgent warning, the Titanic was talking to Cape Race about the time the chauffeurs were to meet arriving passengers at the dock in New York, and what dinner menus were to be ready. Preoccupied with the trivia, the Titanic responded to the warning, "Shut up. I am talking to Cape Race. You are jamming my signals!" Why did so many die that night? Perhaps the crew disregarded the danger of the weather; there were not enough lifeboats on board; and the radio operator of nearby California was off duty; perhaps those responsible did not heed the warnings; they were preoccupied with other things!

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Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament will take place in Milltown Church every Wednesday from 4:00p.m. -7:00p.m.

Masses & Intentions

Mon. Nov. 29 th			<i>No Mass</i>
Tues. Nov. 30 th	Listry	7:00 p.m.	<i>Deceased members of the Listry GAA Club</i>
Wed. Dec. 1 st	Milltown	10:00 a.m.	<i>Holy Souls</i>
Thurs Dec. 2 nd			<i>No Mass</i>
Fri. Dec. 3 rd	Milltown	7:00 p.m.	<i>Eileen & Paddy O' Brien Brackhill</i>
Sat. Dec. 4 th	Listry	6:00 p.m.	<i>Dan Murphy, his parents Hannah & David Murphy Lisaree</i>
Sun. Dec. 5 th	Milltown	11:15 a.m.	

Eucharistic Ministers

Listry Saturday 4 th Dec	Marie Donnelly
Milltown Sunday 5 th Dec	Sheila O' Sullivan

Readers

Listry Saturday 4 th Dec	Michael F. O' Connor
Milltown Sunday 5 th Dec	John P. O' Sullivan

Last weekend's collection - €1,395.00
Thank you for your generous and continuing support

Reminder

Mass is broadcast on 106fm, and 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 all Masses 4th /5th Dec.
- Diocesan Youth Service

First Friday Communion Calls: will take place on Friday 3rd December. If you have a family member or neighbour who wishes to receive Holy Communion each month in their home, please contact Fr. Danny, (087) 9061255 Rev. Conor (087) 3664057 or the office.

First Friday Confessions are available after 7:00p.m. Mass in Milltown Church on Friday 3rd December.

Online Pre-Sacramental Preparation talks for Parents:

The Diocese of Kerry will be hosting an online event for Parents whose child is going forward for the sacraments of Confirmation. Dr Patricia Kieran will be presenting an online talk – Confirmation Journeying with your child – on Tuesday 30th of November at 7pm. Register online @ www.dioceseofkerry.ie For further information contact: email desbailey@dioceseofkerry.ie or phone 064 6632644

Kerry Citizens Information Services new telephone numbers

- Tralee – 0818 07 7860 (Mon – Fri: 10am -4pm)
- Killarney – 0818 07 7820 (call will be diverted to Tralee) Due to severe staff shortages, only urgent appointments are available. Please speak to one of the team who will assess your need for an appointment.

Booking an Anniversary Mass for 2022

If you wish to book an Anniversary Mass for a loved one for the coming year, the 2022 diary will open on Tuesday November 30th, 2021. Please note the first week is prioritised to taking bookings for **first Anniversary Masses only**. The diary will then open to all other Anniversary Masses from Tuesday 7th December onwards

Please continue to adhere to the following Covid19 Guidelines

- Sanitise your hands on entering and leaving the church
- Keep a safe distance from others who may be in the church
- Wear a mask whilst in the church.

Christmas Mass Bouquet cards are available from the parish office

— Sometimes we believe that our ‘ship’ is unsinkable, our life is completely planned, and the unthinkable can never happen to us. We need to read the signs of the times; we need to pay attention to the warning signals. But if we are preoccupied with the trivial things of life, we will miss the most important things till it is too late.

The First Sunday of Advent gives us the warning to be watchful, waiting, and prepared.

Parish Draw

It is that time of the year again and the wheels are in motion for our annual Parish Draw. This fundraiser is of vital importance for the financial health of the parish. Anyone running the cost of a household is aware of the cost of insurance, heating, and electricity etc. Our parish churches are no different.

It is hoped that all parishioners would support the draw and keep the parish in a relatively healthy financial state. You are asked to please drop the cards and money into the parish office during opening hours, James Arthur’s shop or into the collection basket during Mass.

The draw will take place in the Parish Office after Mass on Sunday, December 19th.

Parish envelope boxes

The boxes of parish envelopes together with the Parish Draw cards will be distributed to your homes in the coming weeks. If you did not receive a box last year and would like to receive one for the coming year, please feel free to contact Fr. Danny or ring the parish office during opening hours. Parish finances depend solely on the contributions of parishioners.

Priest on Duty this Sunday:
Fr. Kieran O’ Sullivan (087) 2432155