Cranny/Coolmeen Newsletter 24th/25th February 2018

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Rest in Peace:

- We pray for John Collins, Shessive who died on Saturday 3rd February. May the Lord welcome John into the home he has prepared for him in eternity and console his wife Kathleen, his son Gerry, daughter Anne-Marie and all who formed his circle of love and care. John's months mind Mass will be celebrated in St Mary's Church, Cranny on Saturday 3rd March at 7pm.
- We pray for John (J.T.) Madigan who died on 6th February, 2018 peacefully at his home in Cork. J.T. was originally from Derryguihey, KilmurryMcMahon. We pray that the Lord may take J.T. to himself and console his wife, Mary, his family Bernadette, Gerard, Joseph, Anne, Michael and Mary, his brothers Anthony (Derryguihy), Br. Pat and Oliver, sisters Marie, Sr. Anne, and Teresa (Crowe) and all who formed part of his circle of love and care.

The Grouped Anniversary Masses for March Cranny - Saturday 31 March. Names to be given to Mary O'Dea, Susan King or written into the book in the Church.

Coolmeen - Sunday 1 April. Names to be given to Margaret Haugh or written into the book in the Church.

Confirmation: Bishop Fintan Monahan celebrated the sacrament of confirmation on Thursday with the young candidates from Coolmeen-Cranny and Kildysart. We congratulate the children who received the Holy Spirit in Confirmation together with their families, teachers and all who have helped them along the road of faith.

First Friday: Next Friday is the first Friday in March. Mass will be celebrated in St Mary's Church, Cranny on Thursday evening at 7pm and the usual visits to the sick and housebound will take place on Friday morning.

The Future of our Parish: Bishop Monahan is planning a re-organisation of our diocese which will begin to be implemented during this summer. To help plan the restructuring five area meetings are being held across the diocese. The meeting for parishes west of Ennis will take place in the Community Centre, Kilrush on Tuesday 27th February at 7.30pm. Anybody involved in the life of our parish or who would like to have an input into its future are welcome to attend.

Pastoral Council: The next meeting of our parish pastoral council will take place in the Parochial House, Coolmeen on Thursday 1st March 2018 at 8.30pm. If any member of the parish would like to have an issue discussed by the pastoral council they are welcome to contact any member.

Weekly Lenten Reflection & Prayer at Lissycasey Pastoral Centre continues on Tuesdays during Lent at 8.30pm. There will be reading of the Sunday Gospel, reflection and prayer each week.

Online Bullying: Pat Mc Kenna, expert in the field of Social Media and online bullying will address parents at St John Bosco Community College, Kildysart on Tuesday 27th February at 7pm. Pat will address issues that are key to keeping safe and maintaining a successful digital footprint. All parents are welcome.

<u>Trócaire:</u> Their annual Lenten Campaign this year is focusing on Sierra Leone in West Africa. An envelope containing information on Sierra Leone and a collection box is available at the Church doors. **Éamonn Meehan**, Executive Director of Trócaire will speak at 9am Mass in Coolmeen on Sunday 4th March to explain how our donation helps overcome poverty.

Marriage: Couples preparing to celebrate the sacrament of marriage are reminded that in addition to booking the Church they also need to complete a recognised pre-marriage course. Details on accord.ie, complete the pre-nuptial enquiry form with their parish priest and fulfil the requirements set by the civil register.

A Vocation Discernment Weekend will take place from 9th–11th March 2018 at the Siena Monastery, The Twenties, Drogheda, Co Louth. Single young women (20-40) are welcome to experience the sister's life of prayer and fellowship. Contact: Sr M Breda OP – siena3@eircom.net or Tel: 041-9838524.

World Meeting of Families: A Collection in support of the World Meeting of Families will take place, Sunday 25th February. The World Meeting will take place in Dublin from 21st-26th August and will be attended by Pope Francis. Your support will be greatly welcomed.

The 39th Annual Clare 250 Mile Cycle will take place on 19th-20th May 2018. Those who take part have the opportunity to nominate a person who has been diagnosed with cancer to join our pilgrimage to Lourdes in September. If you are interested in taking part, contact 065 6841600/clare250mile@gmail.com.

<u>The Priests' Collection</u> took place last weekend. We thank you for your unfailing generosity.

CÙIL MÌN/KILDYSART G.A.A. LOTTO DRAW

Next Draw: Monday 26th February 2018 at Mitchell's Bar Jackpot €5,200 Last week's winning numbers 7, 10, 15, 23.

Cùil Mìn GAA Club appreciates your support. Remember On-line lotto available to play no matter where in the world you may be www.locallotto.ie

Grouped Anniversary Mass for Cranny on Saturday 24th February 2018 @ 7pm.

The following loved ones will be remembered: Maura O'Connor (Doyle), Six Crosses & Chicago

Nora Lafferty, Miltown Malbay.

Nora Meaney, Boloughera.

Jane Crowley, Cragg.

Tommy Purtill, Carrowreagh West. Deceased members of the Purtill family,

Carrowreagh West.

Lill & Tommy Corry, Clondrina.
Fr Siney Corry, Dublin & Clondrina.
Jos Donnelly and JJ Donnelly, Cranny.
Deceased members of the Donnelly family,

Cranny. Mary King, Kilmihil

All Forgotten Holy Souls

Grouped Anniversary Mass for Coolmeen on Sunday 25th February 2018 @ 9am.

The following loved ones will be remembered: Aggie, Brid and PJ Moloney, Effernan Paul Keane, Barefield.

Kay Swain, Portmarnock, Dublin.

Brid McKeown, Kilrush Ann & Jack Reidy, Shanahea.

John & Teresa Madigan, Derryguihy
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West Clare Mental Health Association wishes to invite everybody to the launch by John Burke, Elevate founder, of PIECE OF MIND. An information Booklet on Mental Health that highlights the services available at local and national level when help is needed. Date: Thursday 1st March 2018 at 6pm Venue: Kilrush Community Centre, Toler Street. Refreshments served from 5.30pm

The Mid Clare Youth Council (MCYC) are hosting their annual overnight in St. Flannans College Ennis on Friday night 2nd March. It is open to young people who are in Transition Year to leaving cert. Young people will reflect, meditate, have fun and engage in resilience building. For further information contact Cora Guinnane 087 2400135.

A Save the 8th Rally will take place in Dublin on Sat 10th March at 2pm. Buses from Kilrush, Ennis and Shannon. To book your seat contact 086 1908318.