

ST. MARY'S PARISH CHURCH, BEAUFORT

OUR LADY OF THE VALLEY CHURCH, BLACK VALLEY

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PARISH OFFICE hours Wednesday & Friday 9.30am to 12.30pm Tel 064 6644128 or email beaufort@dioceseofkerry.ie

Baptisms are at pre-arranged times and must be booked through the Parish Office. For a copy of the newsletter please logon Beaufort Community Council webpage www.beaufort.parish.com and see all Diocesan news on www.dioceseofkerry.ie

MASSES AND INTENTIONS THIS WEEK

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| Sat 15 th | Valley | 6.00pm | Special Intention. |
| Sat 15 th | Beaufort | 7.30pm | Jimmy Harrington and Mary Leane. Do This in Memory. |
| Sun 16 th | St. Mary of The Angels | 9.00am | For the People of Beaufort Parish. |
| Sun 16 th | Beaufort | 10.30am | David & Mary Breen. Cappageen. |
| Tues 18 th | Beaufort | 7.30pm | Tom and Nono Lynch. Beaufort. |
| Fri 21 st | Beaufort | 7.30pm | Patrick Galvin. Beaufort Village. |
| Sat 22 nd | Valley | 6.00pm | Special Intention. |
| Sat 22 nd | Beaufort | 7.30pm | William Foley. Cooleanaig. Eileen Foley & Liam Foley. |
| Sun 23 rd | St. Mary of The Angels | 9.00am | For the People of Beaufort Parish. |
| Sun 23 rd | Beaufort | 10.30am | Kitty Hartnett. |

Please pray for the repose of the soul of Mary McHugh (nee Sears) who died during the week. Funeral arrangements will be announced. Eternal Rest Grant unto her O'Lord.

COLLECTIONS: (09/12/12) Offertory Collections: Beaufort €380, Candle Collections €50, Offertory Collection: Valley €45 Beaufort Parish Envelope Collections €1,049
Feast of The Immaculate Conception: Beaufort €230, Valley €25

Beaufort Church Collectors for Month of December

Sat Night: Josephine O'Shea and Timothy Moriarty

Sun Morn: Nora Hallisey and Paul Farrell

Christmas Envelopes are due at this time. Many thanks for your continued support.

Priest on Duty for Killorglin Pastoral Area –

Sunday 16th December Fr Michael Fleming Killorglin 066 9761172/087 7856695

Sunday 23rd December Fr Luke Roche Castlemaine 066 9767322/087 2255509

| KILLORGLIN PASTORAL AREA WEEKDAY ROTA | | | |
|---------------------------------------|--------------------|-------------|------------------------------|
| Monday | Fr Pat O'Donnell | Milltown | (066) 9767312/(086) 8351732 |
| Tuesday | Fr Jerry Keane | Glenbeigh | (066) 9768209/(087) 9974971 |
| Wednesday | Fr Liam O'Brien | Killorglin | (066) 9761160/(087) 7856695 |
| Thursday | Fr Donal O'Connor | Beaufort | (064) 6644128/(086) 8769189 |
| Friday | Fr Luke Roche | Castlemaine | (066) 9767322/(087) 2255509 |
| Or | Fr Michael Fleming | Killorglin | (066) 9761172/ (087) 7856695 |

If you know of anyone who is sick or housebound or in hospital and would like a visit or a Christmas Call from Fr Donal please do not hesitate to contact either of the Sacristans – Peggy or Eileen, Mary Rose (Parish Office) or Fr Donal.

CHURCH NOTICES

EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT Tuesdays from 5.30pm to 7.30pm.

CHRISTMAS CONFESSION There will be an opportunity to avail of the Sacrament of Reconciliation after the 7.30pm Mass on Tuesday next 18th December, with outside priests attending. It is an ideal opportunity to prepare for Christmas. All welcome.

The **Do This in Memory** programme takes place at the 7.30pm Mass on Sat 15th. We continue to pray for and support those making their First Confession, First Communion and Confirmation next year.

CHRISTMAS MASS TIMES

Christmas Eve Monday 24th December

6.00pm Valley (Christmas Mass)

8.00pm Beaufort (Children's Mass)

10.00pm Beaufort (Midnight Mass)

Christmas Day Tuesday 25th December

9.00am St. Mary of The Angels

10.30am Beaufort

"THE CAPSULE" On this year, the 175th Anniversary of St. Mary's Church, Beaufort, we plan to bury a "time capsule" after the 10.30am Mass on Sunday 30th December. It is hoped this will be dug up again on the 200th Anniversary of the Church in 2037. Anyone who wishes to include something in the time capsule, please do so before Friday 28th December. Items can be given to Peggy, Fr Donal or any member of the Parish Council. We will put together a brief "snap-shot" of Parish Life at this time – Parish Life, Church, Schools, Clubs, Organisations, Photos, CD's, DVD, Memorabilia, Sport – whatever you would like to include. Written letters (in ink) are most preferable, telling a bit about yourself, what life in the Parish is like for you, and your wish for the Parish in 25 year's time. Time is running short – so get your letters in!!

Bishop's Conference Statement in response to the Report of the Expert Group Abortion, understood as the direct and intentional destruction of an unborn baby, is gravely immoral in all circumstances. This is different from medical treatments which do not directly and intentionally seek to end the life of the unborn baby. Current law and medical guidelines in Ireland allow nurses and doctors in Irish hospitals to apply this vital distinction in practice. *The Report of the Expert Group on the Judgement in A, B & C v Ireland* has put forward options that could end the practice of making this vital ethical distinction in Irish hospitals. Of the four options presented by the Report, three involve abortion – the direct and intentional killing of an unborn child. This can never be morally justified. The judgement of the European Court of Human Rights does not oblige the Irish Government to legislate for abortion.

COMMUNITY NOTICES

BLOOD DONOR CLINIC THE MALTON KILLARNEY (17th to 20th Dec) Mon(17th) 5pm – 8.30pm
Tues Wed Thurs (18th to 20th) 3pm – 5pm and 7pm – 9pm.

FUN QUIZ FOR KIDZ on Friday 21st Dec in Beaufort Community Hall at 7.30pm. €2 per person. Novelty prizes, tea, coffee & refreshments. Any proceeds to St Vincent de Paul Christmas Appeal.

ST. STEPHEN'S DAY CHARITY WALK (from Derrycunihy to Brandon's Cottage and return to Derrycunihy) (Approx 6 miles) Starting 1pm. All proceeds to Leukaemia Patients and their families.

TOM O'SULLIVAN MEMORIAL QUIZ in aid of Killorglin branch of Kerry Hospice, in Kate Kearney's, on Thursday December 27th, at 8.30pm. Tables of 4, €35. Raffle and Refreshments

10KM ROAD RUN 25th Charles O'Shea 10km road run in Beaufort on **1st January @ 2pm**
Entry: €15 run or €10 walk. Registration on the day, online at Starofthelaune.com or runireland.ie.
Technical T-shirts and refreshments available for all afterwards. Prizes for all categories.