



St. Colman's Parish
11th Sunday in Ordinary Time
15th / 16th June 2024

The first Nobel peace prize

One June morning in 1859, 156 years ago, Jean Henri Dunant woke up and opened his door in Switzerland. He heard that a war had started in Italy. So, he hastily packed a few things and set out. He wanted to see for himself just what was going on. Henri arrived in Italy where he saw soldiers fighting on the side of a hill near the town of Castiglione. It seemed that everyone was shooting at everyone else. He watched as men were hit by bullets, gave horrible cries, and fell to the ground. Henri had never seen anything like this before. He felt that he should do something to help the wounded men. So, when the fighting stopped at dusk, he went to the nearby town to ask people to go to the battlefield with him. Ordinary citizens: farmers, bakers and tailors responded at once. They spent the night there giving as much aid as they could to the wounded men. It was hard for Henri to forget what he had seen once he returned home, so he decided to write down his experiences. He described the horrible sight of battle and men being shot. He also suggested that every country should have a relief society, a kind of emergency aid service to help wounded soldiers. It was five years later before the first rescue society was organised in Geneva, Switzerland in 1864. It was called the Red Cross. And soon other countries joined the society. Everyone forgot all about Henri until an article appeared in a newspaper in 1895. In 1901 he was given the very first Nobel peace prize. [Peter J. Dyck, A Leap of Faith], whoever would have thought that only watching something as horrifying and terrifying as a battle in progress, would bring about so much good? But Henri planted a seed that would germinate and help millions of people all over the world. That's the way the kingdom of God works "–great harvests from tiny seeds." That's the lesson from this week's Gospel parable.

In this week's Gospel, Jesus compares the growth of the Kingdom of God to the germination of a wheat seed and that of a tiny mustard seed. Both have very small beginnings. The wheat seeds, by gradual but steady growth, give the farmer a bumper crop. In the same way, the life principle in a tiny mustard seed enables it to grow into a large bush. The reign of God in human hearts and the growth of the Church in the world also have small beginnings. But the Source of all life, God the Holy Spirit, gives to both a steady, persistent and gigantic growth.

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Recent Death: Please remember in your prayers:
Bernie Gallagher, Ballyoughtra North, Milltown.
Baptism: We welcome into our Christian community:
Esabel Anna Mariam Scaria, Dromin

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament takes place every Friday evening in Milltown church from 6:00p.m. – 7:00 p.m.

Masses & Intentions

Mon. June 17 th			<i>No Mass</i>
Tues. June 18 th	Listry	7:00 p.m.	<i>Maureen & Maura McCarthy Steelroe & Lissivane West</i>
Wed. June 19 th	Milltown	10:00 a.m.	<i>Minnie McCarthy Corpus Christi Tce.</i>
Thurs June 20 th	Milltown		<i>No Mass</i>
Fri. June 21 st	Milltown	7:00 p.m.	<i>Niall Ahern, Cobh & all deceased members of the Ahern family</i>
Sat. June 22 nd	Listry	6:00 p.m.	<i>Noreen Horgan – 1st Anniversary Lisheen</i>
Sun. June 23 rd	Milltown	11:15 a.m.	<i>Mary O' Sullivan née Hayes An Tuairin Lín</i>

Eucharistic Ministers

Listry Saturday June 22nd Marie Donnelly
 Milltown Sunday June 23rd Tim Fleming

Minister of the Word

Listry Saturday June 22nd Family Readers
 Milltown Sunday June 23rd Family Readers

- 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.
- The offertory collection is currently not being taken up during Mass. There are boxes at the front and side entrance of the Milltown church and front entrance in Listry church for your contributions which are greatly appreciated.

Flower Arranger: Joan Allman 22nd June – 5th July

Adoration Listry: Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament will take place every Tuesday before Mass from 6-7pm in Listry church during the month of June.

Annual Pilgrimage to Knock of the Diocese of Kerry: Our second Annual Pilgrimage to Knock will take place on Saturday 24th August 2024. A bus will travel from Killorglin. To book a seat on the bus please contact Killorglin Parish Office (066) 9761172 or (087) 6584479. Last year's Pilgrimage proved both spiritual and enjoyable. Join us this year, enquire locally about bus plans. **Our Lady of Knock, pray for us.**

Considering a Postgraduate Study Programme: Check out the options in Theology, Philosophy, Youth Ministry, Chaplaincy, Church Music and more at St Patrick's Pontifical University, Maynooth. Visit sppu.ie/courses Applications close soon.

Golden Jubilee Kerry Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes with assisted Pilgrims 29th August – 3rd September led by Bishop Ray Direct flight to Lourdes ex Kerry Airport Total cost: €925 (€740 Assisted Pilgrims) Further details (087) 9318976/ pilgrimage@dioceseofkerry.ie

Pilgrimage from Beaufort to Knock: will take place on Sunday 21st July Details/Booking: (064) 6644319, (064) 6644250

Blessing with St. Pio's Glove: There will be a blessing after Mass with the glove of St. Pio in the Church of the Resurrection, Killarney on Monday the 17th of June 2024. Mass starts at 7:30 pm. All welcome.

Accord Catholic Marriage Care Service CLG: is currently recruiting volunteers to train as marriage preparation programme facilitators. If you are supportive of marriage in the Catholic Church; and have the enthusiasm to be part of the Accord team that supports couples preparing for the Sacrament of Marriage then please contact Aisling on 01 505 3112 or marriagepreparation@accord.ie

Horizons: Listen to Horizons on Radio Kerry Sunday Mornings at 9.00a.m. - communicating the Christian message

Samaritans: Freephone 116 123 The Samaritans are available 24/7 to offer non-judgemental emotional support to people experiencing difficulties or times of crisis in their lives.

Graveyard Masses

Milltown Graveyard	Friday July 12 th
Listry Graveyard	Tuesday July 16 th
Kilbonane Graveyard	Wednesday July 17 th
Abbey Graveyard	Friday July 19 th

These masses start at 8:00 p.m.

A candle will be placed near the altar in remembrance of your loved one whose burial took place in the parish since our last graveyard Mass. After Mass we invite a family member to collect the candle and place on their loved one's grave. I hope this Mass will be a source of strength and comfort to you and your family and that it will bring the healing that all of us desire.

*Grant O' Lord that each day
before we enter the little death of sleep
we may undergo the little judgement of the past day,
so that every wrong deed may be forgiven
and every unholy thought set right.
Let nothing go down into the depths of our being
Which has not been forgiven and sanctified.
Then we shall be ready
For our final birth into eternity,
And look forward with love and hope
to standing before you,
who art both judge and Saviour,
Holy judge and loving Saviour.*

**Last Weekend's collection - €1,120.00
Thank you for your generous support.**

**Killorglin Pastoral Area
Priest on Duty this Sunday:
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