



*St. Colman's Parish*  
*The First Sunday of Lent*  
*8<sup>th</sup> /9<sup>th</sup> March 2025*

**“Anthony, I was right here, but I wanted to see you in action:”**

All human beings are subjected to temptations. St. Anthony of Egypt is the saint best equipped to be a patron of those tested by Satan. St. Jerome tells us his story. Anthony, who flourished in the third century, had left his Egyptian village to escape the temptations that arise in civil society. But when he went off to the inhabited desert to live as a hermit, Satan & Co. followed him. To prevent him from becoming holier, they attacked him in every possible way with all sorts of wild visions and even physical violence. When he fasted or prayed more vigorously, they tried to persuade him he was not fasting and praying enough. If he could not be tricked into presumption, they thought they might trick him into despair. Anthony resisted, but it was a lonely fight. One day, however, when the hordes of hell had beaten him up within an inch of his life, a ray of light suddenly fell on him from heaven, and the devils took flight. Panting, but now at peace, Anthony addressed God, whose presence he sensed in the light. “Where were you my Lord and Master?” he asked, a bit impatiently. “Why didn’t you appear at the beginning to stop my pain?” God answered “Anthony, I was right here, but I wanted to see you in action. And now, because you held out and did not surrender, I will ever be your helper, and I will make you renowned everywhere.” St. Paul has given us the same assurance of God’s presence and assistance: “He will not let you be tested beyond your strength.” (1 Cor. 10:13). — We must be on guard against Satan but not be afraid of him. God is on our side, so long as we are on His.

We need to confront and conquer temptations as Jesus did, using the means he employed: Like Jesus, every one of us is tempted to seek sinful pleasures, easy wealth, and a position of authority, and is drawn to the use of unjust or sinful means to attain good ends.

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**Baptism:** Please welcome into our Christian community  
**Kayla O' Sullivan, Ard Na Gréine.**

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

***Masses & Intentions***

Mon. March 10 <sup>th</sup>			<i>No Mass</i>
Tues March 11 <sup>th</sup>	Listry	7:00 p.m.	<i>John Griffin Rosnacarton, Faha</i>
Wed. March 12 <sup>th</sup>	Milltown	10:00 a.m.	<i>Narendra, John &amp; Elon</i>
Thurs March 13 <sup>th</sup>	Listry Milltown	11:30 a.m. 3:00 p.m.	<b><i>Parish Confirmations</i></b>
Fri. March 14 <sup>th</sup>	Milltown	7:00 p.m.	<i>Leonard Griffin Castlemaine Road</i>
Sat. March 15 <sup>th</sup>	Listry	6:00 p.m.	<i>Jackie Mannix &amp; all deceased members of the Mannix family Keel Faha</i>
Sun. March 16 <sup>th</sup>	Milltown	11:15 a.m.	<i>Sr Canisius Collins – (Months Mind) Presentation Sisters Milltown/Abbeyfeale</i>

***Eucharistic Ministers***

Milltown Sunday March 16<sup>th</sup> Betty Moriarty & Linus Burke

***Minister of the Word***

Listry Saturday Mar. 15<sup>th</sup> Michael F. O' Connor

Milltown Sunday Mar. 16<sup>th</sup> Ann Jennings

***Readings can be collected in advance from the Sacristy after any Mass***

All Weekend Masses will be streamed online via  
[www.milltownlistryparish.com](http://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 Masses w/e 15<sup>th</sup> /16<sup>th</sup> March  
- Emigrant Services

This collection supports the ongoing ministry to Irish people in the Irish Church's Emigrant mission in the United Kingdom and the U.S.A. and parts of Europe. The support of the Church community is particularly valued by Irish emigrants, for whom things do not run smoothly.

**IRISH SYNODAL PATHWAY - WHAT ARE THE PRIORITIES?**

The Irish Church will be having a Synodal Assembly in October 2026. What should the priorities be for this gathering? Join the discussion through our Spring Gatherings either in person or online during the first half of April. For more information look under Diocesan News on the [www.dioceseofkerry.ie](http://www.dioceseofkerry.ie) and click on the post about "Spring Gatherings."

**Trocaire:** This year, Trocaire's Lenten campaign focuses on Guatemala, a country which is one of the least responsible for causing the climate crisis yet is bearing the brunt of the consequences. We tell this story through Ilma, Julio and their family. Find out more at [trocaire.org](http://trocaire.org).

**A Jubilee Pilgrimage to Rome:** led by Bishop Ray will take place from 19<sup>th</sup> to 23<sup>rd</sup> May 2025. For more details, please ring Nora – 087 9318976

**Apostolate of Eucharistic Adoration National Pilgrimage to Knock Shrine:** takes place this year on Sat/Sunday 5<sup>th</sup>/6<sup>th</sup> April. 2025. Further details, please contact Breda (087) 674 2306 or Margaret (087) 297 6304.

**Recovery Haven Kerry Cancer Support House:** will be running an online 6 week Building Better Caregivers Programme, beginning on Tues March 18<sup>th</sup> from 10.30am-1pm. If you are supporting someone with cancer, then this may be for you. Call (066) 7192122 for further details.

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

**Pioneer Social:** To mark the 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the founding of St. Mary's Pioneer Centre Beaufort a social will take place on Friday, 25<sup>th</sup> April at Kate Kearney's. Details: (064) 6644319, (064) 6644252.

**Listry Community Council Seniors Day** taking place in Listry Community Centre on the 11<sup>th</sup> of March from 12 to 3pm.

**Killarney 4 Week Dance Classes:** starting Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> March in Spa Gaa Clubhouse V93kn53 8-9-15pm Waltzing Jiving Quick Steps Line Dancing etc. For Bookings Call/ Text (087) 7541631.

Jesus is our model for conquering temptations through prayer, penance, and the effective use of the “Word of God” in Scripture. Temptations make us true warriors of God by strengthening our minds and hearts. We are never tempted beyond the strength God gives us. In his first letter, St. John assures us: “The One Who is in you is greater than the one who is in the world” (1 John 4:4). Hence during Lent, and the rest of the year as well, let us confront our evil tendencies with prayer (especially by participating in the Mass), with penance, and with the meditative reading of the Bible. Knowledge of the Bible prepares us for the moment of temptation by enabling us “to know Jesus more clearly, to love him more dearly and to follow him more nearly, day by day,” as William Barclay puts it.

### **Stations of the Cross for Lent**

Listry Church: Every Tuesday evening at 6:40 p.m.  
Milltown Church: Every Friday evening at 6:40 p.m.

### **Upcoming Parish Sacramental Celebrations**

#### **Confirmation Ceremony – Thursday March 13<sup>th</sup>**

Listry Church for children of Faha P.S. – 11:30 a.m.

Milltown Church for children of Nagle Rice P.S. – 3:00 p.m.

#### **First Holy Communion Ceremony**

Milltown Church - Nagle Rice P.S. on Saturday May 10<sup>th</sup> at 10:30am

Listry Church -Faha P.S. on Saturday May 17<sup>th</sup> at 11:00am

***Last Weekend’s collection - €861.00***

***Thank you for your generous support***

The offertory collection is not 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.

**Killorglin Pastoral Area**

**Priest on Duty this weekend**

**Fr. Kieran O’ Sullivan (087) 2432155**