

Parish of Kilclooney & Creagh

Sunday, JULY 9th - 14th Sunday O. T. 2017
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Mass Intentions this week : St. Michael's. (Monday/Friday)

Evening: 6p.m.

Mon: Private Intention
Tues: Dec mem Kelso Family, Dunlo Street.
Wed: Dec mem Connaughton Family, Deerpark.
Thur: Kathleen & Michael O'Halloran, Brackernagh.
Fri: Jean Hodgins, Athlone & St. Grellan's Tce.
Sat: 10a.m. Personal Intention.

SUNDAY: JULY 16th: First Mass of; Sat. 7p.m.

Mossie, Ethna & Freya Walsh, Tubbergrellan.
9a.m. Mass for the people of the Parish.
11a.m. Personal Intention
12.15p.m. Mike & Ann Day, Deerpark.

Our Lady of Lourdes, Creagh: (Monday/Friday) 10a.m.

Mon: Hugh Connolly, Leitrim. Tues: Personal Intention.
Wed: Personal Intention. Thur: Tommy Cawley, Curragh Park
Fri: Personal Intention.

SUNDAY: JULY 16th: First Mass of; Sat. 6.30p.m.

Gus & Eileen Hynes, Portnick.
10.30a.m. Vera O'Grady, Ballygortagh.

ROSARY: in St. Michael's on Sunday @ 7p.m. for summer months.

ADORATION: Wed: 8a.m. – 7.45p.m.; Thur: 8a.m. – 9p.m.;
Friday 8a.m. – 8p.m. and Sunday: 6-7p.m. All most welcome.

ACCORD ANNUAL COLLECTION: will be taken up at all Masses this weekend.

Accord offers Marriage Counselling on an ongoing basis at the Family Centre, Brackernagh. Marriage preparation Courses are also provided. Due to cutbacks to Grant Aid in recent years Accord now relies more on the Annual Church Collection. Contact (090) 9643573.

RUSSIAN ORTHODOX SISTERS from Minsk, Belarus will be visiting Ballinasloe on Friday next and will have Religious Objects for sale after both Masses. Proceeds will support their work with Orphans. saintelizabethconvent@gmail.com

LOUGH DERG: 3 day pilgrimages continue. No need to book. Details:

Maureen/Lorraine (071)9851518 or infor@loughderg.org

PRAYING A PUBLIC ROSARY FOR IRELAND: Please join us @ St. Michael's Square on Sat. 15th July @ 4p.m.

CROAGH PATRICK: Reek Sunday is on 30th July. Masses hourly from 8a.m. – 2p.m. Sacrament of Reconciliation from 7.30a.m. – 2p.m. All welcome.

YOUTH 2000 SUMMER FESTIVAL from 17th – 20th August. In Cistercian Monastery, Roscrea. Details: www.youth2000.ie or (01) 6753690.

B'SLOE COMMUNITY CRECHE; Summer Camp from July to August 10a.m. - 1p.m. Cost: €50 per week. Tel: (090)9645802.

TABLE QUIZ: in B'sloe Golf Club on Fri 14th @ 9.30p.m. in aid of Chifundo, Africa sponsored by Claire Staunton. Info Claire (087) 9359627. Please support

SOCIAL SERVICES: Lmt Draw winner: June-Betty Ring

B'SLOE STRINGS FESTIVAL: 2 day celebration of music & song in Church Gallery on Friday & Sat 14-15th July. Thirteen artists will perform over 6 sessions-adm free but tickets required. Tickets available from Library or www.stringsfestival.ie where full line-up & schedule is posted. Please support.

R.I.P. Laurie Kelly (nee Ward) Dublin, sister of Mona Broderick and the late Tom Ward, Kilgarve.

READINGS FOR SUNDAY NEXT: Is 55:10-11. Ps 64:10-14, R/ Lk 8:8. Rm 8:18-23. Mt 13:1-23 (shorter form 13: 1-9). Lect 1:675

CEMETERY SUNDAY: is July 23rd at 3p.m. in Creagh & 4.30pm.in Kilclooney. In effect, the wisdom of Jesus describes the powerful, but often neglected, bridge between spiritual insight and social action/real compassion. In fact, the wisdom of Jesus seems to suggest that the link is even more intimate than a bridge; it is the collapse of the two categories altogether. The separation of spirituality from action is a false one. In other words, we are not called to do spiritual practices—prayer, study, meditation, retreat, ritual—and then make our way, now inspired, to the work of mercy and justice. In fact, it might be argued that, if anything, it's just the reverse: Love those who struggle with poverty and suffer abandonment and the effect is that we will find ourselves on a path that leads to maturity, prayer, wisdom, and Christ-likeness. If, however, we choose to avoid engagement and community with those who suffer, we will certainly live an incomplete life, including an incomplete spiritual life.

To put it rightly, I think, the practice of prayer and the practice of compassion are both necessary and complementary spiritual practices. . . . We are called to be both activists *and* mystics, missionaries of love *and* contemplatives, great lovers *and* deep thinkers. *Jack Jezreel.*