

## St. Augustine's Church, Clontuskert

Rev. M. Finneran, P.P. 105.5FM Radio 090 9642256

8th April 2018

Second Sunday of Easter

Divine Mercy Sunday

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### Masses

10am Sunday 8 <sup>th</sup>	April	Tom Brennan (1 <sup>st</sup> Anniversary) Oliver Brennan. Eileen Butler & deceased members of Butler & Mariner Families.
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**Money Banked:** Easter Collection €975; Holy Places €150; Offertory €336

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**Money Banked:** Easter Collection €90; Lenten Collection €20; Offertory €527

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### **Sincere thanks to all who took time out to help with our Community Clean-up.**

A special word of gratitude to those who came with cars and trailers to take away the many bags of rubbish. Your Community spirit is greatly appreciated.

**Thanks to all of the people who helped in any way** with our Easter preparations and Holy Week Ceremonies. Thank you also to the Liturgy group for the Lenten Prayer Services. Your dedication to keeping our Parish going is most encouraging. A very special thank you to Fr. Sean Egan for his commitment and for training our servers in their important role in our liturgies.

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**Now that Spring has finally sprung the Tidy Towns** season is underway and the 2018 competition entry is now open. The Lawerencetown Community Development Group will hold a tidy towns meeting at 8pm in Pardys Bar on Wednesday 11th April. On Friday 20th April we will also have our annual 'Spring Clean' meeting in the village at 6.45pm.

**Raheen N.S, Quansboro.** School Re-union 14th Sept. 2018 in Gullane's B/sloe Call 087 97 29 080, email: [raheenreunion@gmail.com](mailto:raheenreunion@gmail.com)

**Happy Easter to everyone from Clontuskert.  
May the Risen Lord be with each one of you to help you.**

## Masses

10am Sunday 25 <sup>th</sup>	<b>March</b>	For people of the parish.
<b>8pm Thursday 29<sup>th</sup></b>	“	Holy Thursday. Mass of the Last Supper.
<b>3pm Friday 30<sup>th</sup></b>	“	Good Friday.
7pm Friday 30 <sup>th</sup>	“	Stations of the Cross.

8pm Saturday 31<sup>st</sup> “ Holy Saturday.  
 6am Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> April Easter Sunday - Dawn Mass in the Abbey.  
 10am Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> “ Tom & Baby Fenton.  
 Agatha & Paddy Madden.



**Please remember in your prayers: Maureen Frehill R.I.P. whose funeral took place during the week. Sincere Sympathy to her daughters Carmel (Costello), Ann (Curley), Mary (Mahony) and sons Liam, Donie & Noel.**

**Readers: Thursday 29<sup>th</sup>: Reader:** Liam Howley;  
**Friday 30<sup>th</sup>: Reader:** Monica Cormican; **Narrator:** John Salmon;  
**Other:** Sinead Ryan Bleahen.  
**Saturday 31<sup>st</sup>:**

**Ministers of the Eucharist: Thursday 29<sup>th</sup>:** Mai Burke;  
**Friday 30<sup>th</sup>:** Mary Coleman; **Saturday 31<sup>st</sup>:** John Bleahen;  
**Sunday 1<sup>st</sup>:** Seamus Callaghan.

**Servers:** Cormac Frehill/T.J. Higgins.

**Fr. Finneran sends good wishes** to all his parishioners for Easter and is grateful to all the people who are helping to keep the parish ticking over. He hopes to return shortly.

**Reconciliation Service** in preparation for Easter in St. Michael's Church Ballinasloe on Monday 26<sup>th</sup> March at 7.30pm.

**Stations of the Cross** on Friday next 30th March (Good Friday) at 7pm.

**Money Banked:** St. Patrick's Day €218; Emigrant Collection €127; Sunday 18th Offertory €544.

**Money Counters for April:** Monica Cormican, Frances Turley & Pakie Callaghan.

**Altar Society for April:** Mary Callaghan/Martina Salmon.

**Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament** with prayers from 10am to 10.30am every Monday. All welcome.

**Our Annual Spring/Summer Clean-up** will take place on Tuesday next 27<sup>th</sup> March. Meeting in the Church Car Park at 11.00am. Gloves and pickers will be provided. Please wear a high viz jacket. All help greatly appreciated.

**B'sloe Town Hall Theatre** - welcomes Seamus O'Rourke in his new play "From under the Bed" on Thurs. 29th March @ 8 pm. Tickets €15 available at 090 9646540 or online [www.ballinasloetownhall.com](http://www.ballinasloetownhall.com)

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**Killimor Camogie Club** are holding Bingo on Good Friday, 30<sup>th</sup> March in Killimor Community Centre at pm. Guaranteed Jackpot of €250.

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**Portumna Players Drama Group** stage the comedy "For Better For Worse" on Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> & Friday 30<sup>th</sup> March.

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10am Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> “ Summer Time.

**Readers: Sunday 25th: Reader:** Kate Kelly;

**Narrator:** Catherine Motherway;

**Other:** Christy Curley.

**Minister of the Eucharist: Sunday 25th:** Bernie Cooke.

**Servers:** Matthew/Rebecca/Jack.



**Don't forget Summer Time begins on Saturday night next, 24th March. Mass on Sunday, 25<sup>th</sup> March will be at 10a.m. Summer Time.**

**Money Banked:** Lenten Collection €230; Shrine €108; Offertory Collection €652.

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**Tús GRD Scheme:** Cleaner for the Church starting on Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> March.

**Pastoral Council Meeting** next Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> March in the Church at 8pm. Members of Liturgy Group, Eucharistic Ministers, Altar Society all welcome to attend.

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**Annual Loreto Vigil at Knock** - The 44th Eucharistic Loreto Vigil will take place at Knock Shrine on Saturday 24-Sunday 25 March. The Vigil will begin at 8.30pm Mass will take place at 11.30pm in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel.

**'Quiet Days for Busy People' Day Retreat Saturday 24 March** This retreat is entitled 'Looking towards the Light'. Taking place 11am-3pm in the Prayer Guidance Centre. Fee €30 includes lunch. To Book. (094) 93 75355 E: [faithrenewal@knockshrine.ie](mailto:faithrenewal@knockshrine.ie) <<mailto:faithrenewal@knockshrine.ie>>

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**Féileacáin (stillbirth and neonatal death association of Ireland)** are holding their Spring Remembrance Service in The Church of the Holy Family Mervue, Galway on Sunday 25th March at 4:00 pm. All are welcome. 085 2496464.

**GRETB Loughrea** are planning to run an introductory community training course in family history and genealogy in the coming weeks, contact John Melville at 091841387 or email [john.melville@gretb.ie](mailto:john.melville@gretb.ie)

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Rosemary Lynch – Birthday Remembrance.

10am Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> “ Willie Moylan – Months Memory.

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**Saturday next, 17<sup>th</sup> March, Feast of our National Saint and a Holy Day of Obligation. Mass will be at 10am.**

**Money Banked:** Lent €30; World Meeting of Families €10; Offertory €125.

**Stations of the Cross** next Friday, 16<sup>th</sup> March at 7pm. Everyone welcome.

**Congratulation to the children** who made their First Confession during the week and well done to all who prepared them so fervently. We ask God's blessing on all of our children as they prepare for First Holy Communion.

**Fr. Sean Egan will be with us for the next two weekends.** Hopefully Fr. Finneran will be with us for Easter.

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**To-day is Mother's Day. Best wishes to all Mothers for a very happy, relaxing and restful day.**



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**Moore & Clonfert Drama Society** will present a 3 Act Comedy, 'Cupid Wore Skirts', by Sam Cree, on Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> & Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> March at 8pm in Moore Community Hall. Lots of laughs guaranteed. Proceeds in aid of Moore Community Hall.

**Second Basket Collection:** The Annual Collection for the support of Irish **Emigrants** takes place on St. Patrick's Day. This collection helps to support Irish Pastoral Centres in Britain and the U.S. Please support.

**Ballinasloe Flower & Garden Club Flower Arranging Demonstration** by Lorna Stuart Trainor 'A Room in Bloom' Athlone in Gullane's Hotel on Wednesday next, 14<sup>th</sup> March. Arranger's Competition: 'Green, White & Gold'. Grower's

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### **Family Prayer**

*Guide the work of doctors, nurses and midwives. May the life of a mother and her baby in the womb be equally cherished and respected.*

*Help those who make our laws to uphold the uniqueness of every human life from conception to natural death. Amen.*

*Choose Life: Prayer for the Child in the Womb, Irish Catholic Bishops' Conference*

### **Masses**

10am Sunday 4<sup>th</sup>

**March**

Paddy & Kitty Quinn.

Lizzy Williams & her daughter Mary Foley.

10am Sunday 11<sup>th</sup>

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**Money banked this week:** World Meeting of Families €168; Lent €98; Christmas Day €24; Offertory €231

**Money counters for the month of March:** Pakie Callaghan, Adeline Finneran and Mary Howley.

**Christening** of Adrian Reimann on Monday at 7pm. We welcome him into the Christian Community.

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**"As the list for readers of the Word at Sunday Mass**, is being revised, anyone who would like to read at Mass please give your name to Mary Callaghan or contact her on 0860724271. New voices will be most welcome."

**Please be as generous as you possibly can be to the Trocaire Lenten Collection** to help relieve hunger in parts of the Third World.

**Progressive 25 card game** in Clontuskert National School on Thursday 8th March at 8.45pm. All welcome!

**Please look in at old people and the not so old** especially those living alone particularly during this cold spell. Do not answer your door unless you can recognize whoever is there.

**Progressive 25 in Ballinasloe Golf Club** every Tuesday at 9pm. All welcome.

**Kiltormer GAA Lotto** –Jackpot €4,500. Numbers Drawn 6,10,18,28. No Winner. Lucky Dips: Jimmy Donnellan, Pat Kenny, Alfie Kenny, Margaret Bugler, Michael Stapleton. House Prize: Diarmuid Claffey. Seller's Prize: Pdraig Finnerty. Jackpot next week €4,600. Venue: Pardy's.

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**Spiritual Transformation - Operation Transformation for the Soul** The Operation Transformation programme on television is very successful in how it inspires people of all ages to live healthy lives. Fr Seán Maguire, Kilmore

Diocese, has developed an Operation Transformation for the Soul, which caters for the holistic well-being of the person. For more information, please log into the website [www.spiritualtransformation.ie](http://www.spiritualtransformation.ie).

**Free course vacancies:** The National Learning Network, Athlone provide a range of specialized training programmes (vocational / rehabilitation) and support services for people with an illness or disability, jobseekers, unemployed etc. Your existing benefits are retained. Contact Liz 0906479293 / 0876051513  
**'MOTHERS PRAYERS' ANNUAL WEEKEND IN KNOCK** For mothers who wish to come together to pray for their children and grandchildren, bringing them to Jesus who loves them so much and can change things that we cannot change. W/E 9<sup>th</sup> to 11<sup>th</sup> March, 2018. For information please phone 087 6184110 Email: [ireland@gmail.com](mailto:ireland@gmail.com)

**There will be a Pro-Life March in Dublin on Saturday, 10 March.** Begins at Parnell Square at 2.00pm and continues down O'Connell Street, crossing the Liffey and onto Merrion Square. The Life Institute is the main organiser but all Pro-life groups are supporting it. If there is sufficient interest, we will organise a bus to bring people to Dublin. Please contact the Presbytery in Loughrea (091 841 212) or Ballinasloe (090 964 3916) to book a place.

**World Meeting of Families 2018 Dublin** 21-26 August. For more information visit [www.worldmeeting2018.ie](http://www.worldmeeting2018.ie) / [info@worldmeeting2018.ie](mailto:info@worldmeeting2018.ie)

**Midland Warmer Homes** are funded through the Sustainable Energy Authority of Ireland (SEAI) and run the Warmer Homes Scheme (which is **FREE** to individuals who meet the criteria. For more information or an application form, contact us on 090-6488292 or [info@midlandwarmerhomes.ie](mailto:info@midlandwarmerhomes.ie) or complete the online enquiry form on [www.midlandwarmerhomes.ie](http://www.midlandwarmerhomes.ie).

### **Family Prayer**

*We pray for our children wherever they may be asking Jesus, Mary and Joseph to watch over and guard them throughout their lives and that the faith we have passed on to them may sustain them through all that life will put before them.  
Amen.*

*A Prayer for Children from The Family Book of Prayers*

### **Masses**

10am Sunday 25<sup>th</sup>

**February**

Jack Hession.  
Patrick Colohan, Ballymana.

**7pm Monday 26<sup>th</sup>**

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Elizabeth and Pat Scott Ballagh.

**7pm Friday 2<sup>nd</sup>**

**March**

First Friday.

10am Sunday 4<sup>th</sup>

**March**

Paddy & Kitty Quinn.  
Lizzy Williams & her daughter Mary Foley.

**Readers: Sunday 4th:** Eamon Lally/Laura Frehill.

**Minister of the Eucharist: Sunday 4th:** Brendan Kelly.

**Servers: Sunday 4th:** Cormac Frehill/ T.J. Higgins.

**Money Banked:** Lenten Collection €180; Epiphany €11; Offertory €394.

**Mass will be offered on Monday 26<sup>th</sup> February & Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> March at 7pm by Fr. Anthony Kelly.**

**Congratulations to our six new Ministers of the Eucharist** who are being commissioned this Sunday: Maria Brennan, Pat Dunne, Seán Kelly, Mary Murray, Sarah Murray, Jim Stephenson.

Anyone who is unable to attend Mass and would like to be added to the Communion visit list please let a member of the Pastoral Council know.

**Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament** with prayers from 10am to 10.30am every Monday. All welcome.

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**Open Day for St. Augustine's N.S.** will take place on Thursday, 1<sup>st</sup> March from 9.30am to 11.30am. All new prospective students and parents are very welcome

**Altar Society for March:** Martina Curley/Claire Dolphin.

**Clonfert Diocese's Lenten Adult Faith Development Gathering** is taking place in Scoil an Chroi Naofa Ballinasloe this Sunday February 25th, 2.30 - 5.15 pm. Guest presenter: *Fr. John Harris OP*. Topic: *Blessed are those who know their need of God*. All welcome. No charge but raffle to raise funds for youth ministry initiatives.

**Progressive 25 in Ballinasloe Golf Club** every Tuesday at 9pm. All welcome.

**On Friday, 2<sup>nd</sup> March** a number of men from the greater Ballinasloe area will be received into the Order of The Knight of St. Columbanus during a special Mass that takes place in Portiuncula Hospital Chapel at 7.30pm. The Mass will be followed by a short social gathering the The Family Centre, Brackernagh. Please join us for this special occasion.

**Lawrencetown's New Community Playgrounds Official Opening** will coincide with the Let's Get Active Finale on this Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> February. Day kicks off at

1pm with a 5km Fun 'Colour' Walk/Run in aid of Pieta House – wear the brightest colours you can find your wardrobe! Followed by light snacks and refreshments in the hall with announcement of the Mr & Mrs Motivator Winners. At 2.30pm the Official Opening of Playground by Special Guests. All members of the community and the surrounding areas are formally invited to join us and enjoy this very exciting event. Lots of fun for all the family – All welcome. Contact 087 7646530.

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**Kiltormer GAA Lotto** –Jackpot €4,400. Numbers Drawn 1,22,23,32. No Winner. Lucky Dips: Michael Dolan Jnr., Noleen Manning, Crissie Cox, Mary Callaghy, Mairead Gately. House Prize: Aaron Mannion. Seller's Prize: Tony Larkin. Jackpot next week €4,500. Venue: Mother's Bar.

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**Ballinasloe Town Hall Theatre** - welcomes Seamus O'Rourke in his new play "From under the Bed" on Thursday 1st March @ 8 p.m. Tickets €15 available at 090 9646540 or [onlinewww.ballinasloetownhall.com](http://onlinewww.ballinasloetownhall.com)

**Ballinasloe Cancer Support Centre Main St. Ballinasloe** would like to say thanks for the generous donation to our recent collection at Tesco. The amount collected was €2542.51

**The First Saturdays Devotion** is being hosted in Knock on 3<sup>rd</sup> March. Starts at 11.00am with Rosary and meditation on the mysteries concluding with Holy Mass at 12.00 noon and enrolment of the free brown scapulars. Everyone is invited.

### **Masses**

10am Sunday 18<sup>th</sup>

**February**

Martin & Nora McKeigue & all deceased of McKeigue & Kelly families.

10am Sunday 25<sup>th</sup>

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Jack Hession.  
Patrick Colohan, Ballymana.





**Please remember in your prayers Willie Moylan R.I.P. who died during the week. Sincere Sympathy to his sisters Rita (Greaney) & Josephine (Stack) and his brothers Martin & John.**

**Readers: Sunday 25th:** Christy Curley/Sarah Lyons.

**Minister of the Eucharist: Sunday 25th:** Frank Hannon.

**Servers: Sunday 25th:** Matthew, Rebecca, Jack.

**At next Sunday's Mass, we will have** the commissioning of our new Ministers of the Eucharist. All current Ministers of the Eucharist are asked to attend and receive the blessing.

**Mass in Ballinasloe Golf Club on Saturday next, 24<sup>th</sup> February at 8p.m.** All welcome.

**Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament** with prayers from 10am to 10.30am every Monday. All welcome.

**Stations of the Cross** with Lenten prayers on Friday next 23rd February at 7pm. All welcome.

**Meeting of the Pastoral Council, Liturgy Group and Eucharistic Ministers** in the school on Thursday next, 22nd February at 8.30pm. Please make every effort to attend.

**Progressive 25 card game** in Clontuskert National School on Thursday 22nd February at 8.45pm. All Welcome

**Clonfert Diocese's Lenten Adult Faith Development Gathering** taking place in Scoil an Chroi Naofa Ballinasloe, Sunday Feb. 25th, 2.30 - 5.15 pm. Guest presenter: *Fr. John Harris OP*. Topic: *Blessed are those who know their need of God*. All welcome. No charge but raffle to raise funds for youth ministry initiatives.

**Catholic Grandparents Association Pilgrimage to World Meeting of Families** 20<sup>th</sup> to 27<sup>th</sup> August. Visit [www.pilgrimages.com/cga](http://www.pilgrimages.com/cga)

**Progressive 25 in Ballinasloe Golf Club** every Tuesday at 9pm. All welcome.

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**Cappataggle Hurling Club Monster Auction** will be held at Cappataggle Community Centre on this Sunday 18th February at 12noon. All welcome.

**Kiltormer GAA Lotto** –Jackpot €4,300. Numbers Drawn 3,13,14,27. No Winner. Lucky Dips: Liam Dervan, Noel Harney, Michael Lynch, Ann Donnelly, Celine Donnelly. House Prize: Michael Griffin. Seller's Prize: Lilly Murphy. Jackpot next week €4,400. Venue: The Hill Bar.

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*Family Prayer*

*Blessed are you, Lord God,  
Giver of life and love.*

*We thank you for the gift of our children.  
May they grow before you in wisdom and grace.  
We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.*

*To access videos, testimonies and frequently asked questions visit  
[www.chooselife2018.ie](http://www.chooselife2018.ie)*

**Masses**

10am Sunday 11 <sup>th</sup>	<b>February</b>	Rose & Bernard Tevlin. Agnes & Fr. Oliver Whyte.
10am Wednesday 14 <sup>th</sup>	“	Ash Wednesday.
10am Sunday 18 <sup>th</sup>	“	Martin, Nora & all deceased of

McKeigue & Kelly families.



*Please remember in your prayers the late John Dunne, Enniskillen, Co. Fermanagh, who passed away recentl (nephew of Cyril Dunne, Moher).*

**Readers: Sunday 18th:** Sinead Ryan Bleahen/Olivia Lyons.

**Minister of the Eucharist: Sunday 18th:** Pakie Callaghan.

**Servers: Sunday 18th:** Amy, Marian, Kara.

**Money Banked this week:** Offertory €328; Christmas Collection €90; Shrine €133.

**Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament** with prayers from 10am to 10.30am every Monday. All welcome.

**Next Wednesday is Ash Wednesday.** Mass with blessing of Ashes at 10 am.

**A meeting of the Liturgy Group** will be held in the church at 7.30 pm on Tuesday next 13<sup>th</sup> February. Anyone interested in getting involved is most welcome to attend.

**Fr. Finneran sends** his best wishes to all his parishioners and is grateful to everyone for all the support in the parish. He is looking forward to returning to duty as soon as he is medically discharged.

**Fr. Anthony Kelly** is recuperating in Cork at the moment. We will pray for his return to full health and his return to Clontuskert in the not too distant future.

**Trocaire Boxes** are in the Sacristy. Pastoral Council members from each Station area are asked to collect and distribute them.

**Western Alzheimers** Annual Church Gate Collection this Sunday, 11th February. Please support.

**Progressive 25 in Ballinasloe Golf Club** every Tuesday at 9pm. All welcome.

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**Kiltormer GAA Club** are hosting a Health & Wellbeing Seminar on February 16th at 8pm in Kiltormer Sports Complex. Guest speakers on the night are former hurlers Iggy Clarke and our very own Justin Campbell. They will talk about the impact of social media, health and wellbeing in GAA clubs and the pathway to addiction. This Seminar is open to EVERYONE in the community. Promising to be a very informative evening we look forward to a large attendance on the night.

**Cappataggle Hurling Club Monster Auction** will be held at Cappataggle Community Centre on Sunday 18th February at 12noon. All welcome.

**This Tuesday, 13th February, Ballinasloe Library** will be hosting a talk about John O'Connor Power and a book reading from 'Moriarty Unmasked' with Jane Stanford, at 2.30pm in the Church Gallery. We encourage everyone to come along to learn about this fascinating character in Irish history.

**Are you involved in a community group** that has an idea for a cultural project? Now is your chance to make that idea a reality. Galway 2020 European Capital of Culture have launched a flagship programme to just this end: Small Towns Big Ideas. A meeting will be held in the Church Gallery, Ballinasloe Library, Tuesday 13th at 7pm. For information, visit the Galway 2020 website: <http://galway2020.ie/en/event/small-towns-big-ideas/>

**Kiltormer GAA Lotto** –Jackpot €4,200. Numbers Drawn 3,13,30,31. No Winner. Lucky Dips: Michael Dolan, Joe Hayes, Paul Glynn, Eamon Curley, Dymrna Curley. House Prize: Brian McManus. Seller's Prize: Fahy's Shop. Jackpot next week €4,300. Venue: The Beautiful Bird.

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**"Brothers and Sisters" I encourage you to be missionaries for the cause of life. Remember those words of Pope Francis " To serve human life is to serve God" Speak to your families, your children and grandchildren, friends and colleagues about cherishing the precious gift of life at all times from conception to natural death. Speak the truth about life, and speak it with love". Extract from the Pastoral Message for 2018 by Archbishop Eamon Martin of Armagh and Chair of the Bishop's Council for Communications. For the full message see [Chooselife2018.ie](http://Chooselife2018.ie)**

### **Masses**

10am Sunday 4<sup>th</sup>

**February**

Agnes & Fr. Oliver Whyte.

10am Sunday 11<sup>th</sup>

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Rose & Bernard Tevlin.

**Readers: Sunday 11th:** Christy Curley/Kate Kelly.

**Minister of the Eucharist: Sunday 11th:** Joe Curley.

**Servers: Sunday 11th:** Cormac Frehill/T.J. Higgins.

**Money banked:** Epiphany €40; Christmas Collection €20; Offertory €563.

**Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament** with prayers from 10am to 10.30am every Monday. All welcome.

**Remembrance Service** for bereaved parents in Portiuncula Hospital Chapel. This year's service will be held on Monday 5<sup>th</sup> February at 7.30pm.

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**Progressive 25 card game** in Clontuskert National School on Thursday 8th February at 8.45pm. All Welcome!

**Short meeting of all Eucharistic Ministers** on Tuesday next 6<sup>th</sup> February at 7.30pm in the church.

**Trocaire Boxes** are in the Sacristy. Pastoral Council members from each Station area are asked to collect and distribute them.

**An Invitation to hear about the Blessings and Transforming Power of Centering Prayer** on Tuesday, 6<sup>th</sup> February at 7.00pm in the Family Centre, Brackernagh, Ballinasloe. This prayer of silence helps to deepen our relationship with God and each other as we learn and practice to "Remain in His Love" Contact Sr. Kathleen (Lynch) 087 2780723.

**Western Alzheimers** Annual Church Gate Collection on Sunday next, 11th February. Please support and help in SHARING THE CARE. If you would like to volunteer with Western Alzheimers please call Dee on (086)3494720

**Progressive 25 in Ballinasloe Golf Club** every Tuesday at 9pm. All welcome.

**Portumna College of Further Education** (Old VEC) St. Brigid's Rd, Portumna has some places still available on the following PART TIME QQI COURSES: Business Law; Customer Care; Spanish. Contact [michael.cunniffe@gretb.ie](mailto:michael.cunniffe@gretb.ie) or call 087 6258696.

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**Holy Land Pilgrimage 2018:** Fr Benny McHale (Athenry) has organised a pilgrimage to the Holy Land (his 37<sup>th</sup>) from 26<sup>th</sup> June to 6<sup>th</sup> July. As occupancy fills up very quickly it is advisable to contact him as soon as possible at 091 844227. The Holy Land is very safe. It is the safest place in the Middle East at the moment and pilgrims need have no worry about security.

**HELP US TO MAKE OUR MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES BETTER!** Money is now available to improve our mental health services. We need your ideas on how this money should be spent. The HSE would like to invite all people who are currently using or have used mental health services, staff and family members/supporters to a public meeting in the Shearwater Hotel, Ballinasloe. People using/used services: on 7<sup>th</sup> February 10.00-11.30. Family Member/Supporter: 7<sup>th</sup> February: 12.00 - 13.30; Service Providers/staff: 7<sup>th</sup> February: 14.15 – 15.45. We need your views and suggestions. For info contact Francis Walsh 0879213124.

**Lawrencetown's "LET'S GET ACTIVE"** Weekly Hall Classes = MONDAY 7pm Kids Hip Hop €6pp & 8pm **Circuits €5pp** (New starting this week), TUESDAY 7.30pm Men's Workout €6pp & 8.30pm Social Dancing €8pp, WEDNESDAY 7pm Boxing Fit €8pp & 8pm Adult Yoga €10pp, THURSDAY 7pm Siel Bleu €6pp & 8.30pm Bootcamp €5pp, FRIDAY 6.30pm Karate €6pp (NOT in hall in Kiltormer Complex). This weeks SPECIALS include SATURDAY Kids Yoga €3pp 5-7 year olds start at 10am and 8-12 year olds start at 10.30am. SUNDAY Community Walk in Portumna Forest Park meet there at 2pm. Any queries text/ring 087-7646530- All welcome - there's something for all ages - Let's Get Active Everyone.

**Heartsaver CPR & AED COURSE:** (aimed at Family Carers). For application form contact HSE Carers Dept: (091 546133 before Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> February.

### **Masses**

10am Sunday 28<sup>th</sup>

January

Tom Joe Lyons – Months Memory.

10am Wednesday 31<sup>st</sup>

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Mass in the School – Grandparents Day.

7pm Friday 2<sup>nd</sup>            **February**            Candlemas  
Jane & Thomas Murray & all  
deceased members of Murray Family.  
Patrick & Kathleen Coleman.

**12 Noon Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup>**            “            Noel Finneran – Months Memory.

10am Sunday 4<sup>th</sup>            **February**            Agnes & Fr. Oliver Whyte.

**Condolences to the Stephenson family** following the recent passing of PJ Stephenson (97) formerly of Gortmore & living in Coventry who passed away on Tuesday 23rd Jan.

**Readers: Sunday 4th:** Fursey/Nadine Whyte.

**Minister of the Eucharist: Sunday 4th:** Joe Curley.

**Servers: Sunday 4th:** Matthew, Rebecca, Jack.

**Money banked:** Cura € 114; Offertory € 311.

**Money Counters for Feb :** Ann Callaghan, Breedra Gilchrist.

**Catholic Schools Week is 29th January to 4th February.** As part of Catholic Schools Week in Ireland, Grandparents Day will be celebrated on Wednesday 31st January. (Mass in the school at 10am).

**Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> February is Candlemas Day.** Candles for church and home use will be blessed at the 7pm Mass. Candles will be available in the sacristy.

**Blessing of throats** will take place after the 12 noon Mass on Saturday next, 3<sup>rd</sup> February.

**Eucharistic Ministers will take Communion** to the sick and housebound on Sunday next 4<sup>th</sup> February.

**Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament** with prayers from 10am to 10.30am every Monday. All welcome.

**Remembrance Service** for bereaved parents in Portiuncula Hospital Chapel. This year's service will be held on Monday 5<sup>th</sup> February at 7.30pm.

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**Altar Society for February:** Sabina Kelly/Teresa Lyons.

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**Killalaghton Drama group** will present THE MAIDEN AUNT by Jimmy Keary for one more night by popular demand. The three act play will be staged in Killalaghton hall on Sunday night 28th January 2018 at eight o'clock.

**The Irish Cancer Society** operates a free transport service for patients attending hospital for chemotherapy treatment. Volunteer Drivers pick the patient up from their home and drop them at the hospital door. When finished treatment, will pick them up and drop them home. Volunteer expenses are paid. Patients wishing to avail of this free service should contact their healthcare professional, visit the Society's website at [irishcancer.ie](http://irishcancer.ie) or contact the Irish Cancer Society for more information on 01 2310 522.

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**"Majella Flanagan Theatre Company** is opening a new Drama Class centre in Lawrencetown Hall. Registration is on Tuesday 30th January for ages 5-12 years at 3.10pm to 4.10pm. Fee €50 for 5 weeks payable at registration. Information text or phone 086-382 4545 or e-mail: [flanaganimajella@gmail.com](mailto:flanaganimajella@gmail.com)."

**Progressive 25 in Ballinasloe Golf Club** every Tuesday at 9pm. All welcome.

**Kiltormer GAA Lotto** –Jackpot €4,000. Numbers Drawn 18,21,27,28. No Winner. Lucky Dips: Cathal/Grace/Sarah Fenton, Shane/Ciaran/Gearoid Finnerty, Pat Guinan, Frank Hopkins, Paddy Murphy. House Prize: Andy Fenton. Seller's Prize: Tony Larkin. Jackpot next week €4,100. Venue: Mother's Bar.

### **Masses**

10am Sunday 21<sup>st</sup>

**January**

Josie Farragher.

10am Sunday 28<sup>th</sup>

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Tom Joe Lyons – Months Memory.

**Reader: Sunday 21st:** Sean Kelly.

**Minister of the Eucharist: Sunday 21st:** Seamus Callaghan.

**Servers: Sunday 21st:** Amy, Mariam, Kara.

**Money banked:** Shrine €180; Christmas Collection €180; Offertory € 356;

**A second basket collection for Cura** will be taken up at Mass this Sunday 21st January.

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**Parish calendars are now available in the sacristy.** The pastoral council members are asked to distribute them in their own areas please. Sincere thanks to Kellys' Printers for their annual sponsorship of the calendars.

**A four week course for new Eucharistic Members** is being held in the Family Centre in Ballinasloe on Thursday. at 8 pm to 9.30 pm. Anyone wishing to bring Holy Communion to a sick relative or neighbour could be trained to do so. Please give your name to the parish Secretary or any member of the pastoral council if you would like to attend.

**Progressive 25 card game in Clontuskert National School** on Thursday 25 January at 8.45pm. All Welcome!

**General Meeting of Kiltormer /Clontuskert Community Alert** will be held on Tuesday next, 23<sup>rd</sup> January at 8.30pm in Kiltormer Complex. The meeting will include a progress report, financial report and election of officers. Please attend.

**Kiltormer Camogie Club** invites new and existing members to registration on Sunday 21st January 2018 in Kiltormer Complex from 12.00 pm - 1.00pm. All welcome.

**“The Rescheduled 40<sup>th</sup> Annual Mummings Festival** takes place in New Inn Leisure Centre on Saturday night 27<sup>th</sup> January at 7 pm. A great night of Music, Song, Dance and Storytelling is guaranteed.”

**Card Game:** Progressive 25 Card Game, in aid of Ardscoil Mhuire is being held in Gullane’s Hotel, Ballinasloe on Sunday, 21<sup>st</sup> January at 8pm. Cash and spot prizes on the night. Please support. The evening is being organized by the Parents Association.

**"Lawrencetown's "LET'S GET ACTIVE"** Events Weekly Hall Classes are the same as last week. New features this week include: Sunday (To-day) 2pm - COMMUNITY CYCLE -FREE- suitable for all ages who can cycle - No HELMET NO CYCLE, Friday 26th 8pm in The Store - FAIR DEAL SCHEME Information Evening - all you need to know to understand the scheme. Saturday 27th 10am KIDS YOGA in the Hall €6 suits 5yrs+ & also PARDY's GET ACTIVE -SCARECROW SCRAMBLE 11am from Pardy's Lounge- FREE- Suits all ages. Any queries text 087-7646530-All welcome - there's something for all ages - Let's Get Active Everyone"

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**Kiltormer GAA Lotto** –Jackpot €3,800. Numbers Drawn 3,6,18,27. No Winner. Lucky Dips: Ann Cogavin, Cathal Pardy, Mike Flynn, Catherine Gately, Martin Larkin. House Prize: Michael Quinn Snr. Seller’s Prize: Stacey’s Hair Salon. Jackpot next week €4,000. Venue: The Hill Bar.

**Foyer of Charity Silent Retreat:** Theme: “If you but knew the gift of God...” Preached by Fr. Kilian Byrne. Venue: February 26th to March 4th, St. Mary’s Hostel, Knock, Co. Mayo. Cost: €425 full board. Contact: Helen : 086 1678027, [hellywilliams@gmail.com](mailto:hellywilliams@gmail.com) [www.foyerofcharity.ie](http://www.foyerofcharity.ie)The retreats address those who search for God, or who wish to grow in their life of faith and prayer.

### **Masses**

10am Sunday 14 <sup>th</sup>	<b>January</b>	Thomas, Mary, Nuala & Tony Colohan.
10am Sunday 21 <sup>st</sup>	“	Josie Farragher.
10am Sunday 28 <sup>th</sup>	“	Tom Joe Lyons – Months Memory.

**Readers: Sunday 21st:** Regina Byrnes/Laura Frehill.  
**Minister of the Eucharist: Sunday 21st:** John Bleahen.  
**Servers: Sunday 21st:** Cormac Frehill, T.J. Higgins.



**Sincere Sympathy to Helen Tevlin on the death of her mother, Kathleen Harney R.I.P.**

**Money banked:** Epiphany 189 euro; Christmas Day 87 euro; Christmas Collection 729 euro; Offertory 622 euro .

**"Fr. Michael Finneran would like to thank all his parishioners for their kind thoughts and best wishes during his recent illness. He is very grateful for all the support he has received from the parish community. He hopes to return at the end of January and will resume duty on a part-time basis then."**

**A meeting of the Pastoral Council, Finance Committee, Liturgy Group, Altar Society and all those involved in Church activities** will be held in the school on Tuesday next 16th January at 8.30 pm. The meeting is open to anyone who would like to help out in the running of the Parish. So please come along and get involved.

**As the graveyard has been tidied up** we would ask that people take home withered wreaths etc. and dispose of them. Thank you for your cooperation.

**People wishing to book Masses** or Christenings or any celebration can do so in the Sacristy after 10 am Mass each Sunday. The Parish Secretary will be available or you can email: [clarecurley@eircom.net](mailto:clarecurley@eircom.net).

**Choir Practice on Thursday at 7 pm.** New members most welcome

**The Parish Calendars** will be available shortly.

**For the next few weeks Fr. Anthony Kelly** is available to celebrate Evening Mass for parishioners who would like to have a Mass offered for deceased relatives, anniversaries, etc. Please contact him on **086 2165205** to arrange same. He will also visit the sick and housebound. If you are aware of anyone who would appreciate a visit please let him know.

**A second basket collection for Cura** will be taken up at Mass on Sunday 21st January.

**A General Meeting of Kiltormer /Clontuskert Community Alert** will be held on Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> January at 8.30pm in Kiltormer Complex. The meeting will include a progress report, financial report and election of officers. Please attend.

**Card Game:** Progressive 25 Card Game, in aid of Ardscoil Mhuire is being held in Gullane's Hotel, Ballinasloe on Sunday, 21<sup>st</sup> January at 8pm. Cash and spot prizes on the night. Please support. The evening is being organized by the Parents Association.

**BACKSTAGE-IRELAND DRAMA WORKSHOPS** at Lawrencetown Community Hall. Youth's (13-17 year old) workshop on Monday from 8pm-9pm. Children's (7-12 year olds) workshop on Tuesday from 3.10pm-4.10pm - immediately after school. Fee for both is €5 euro per session, paid weekly. For information contact Backstage on 091-375381 or e-mail [backstageireland@eircom.net](mailto:backstageireland@eircom.net). or just come along during session time.

**"Lawrencetown's "LET'S GET ACTIVE"** Event's Weekly Hall Classes start this week- Monday 7pm Kids Hip Hop, Tuesday 7.30pm Men's Workout & 8.30pm Social Dancing, Wednesday 7pm Boxing Fit & 8pm Adult Yoga, Thursday 7pm Siel Bleu & 8.30pm Bootcamp, Friday 6.30pm Karate (NOT in hall in Kiltormer Complex). Saturday Noon - Bubble Soccer Tournament €10pp (in Kiltormer Complex) Strictly Over 12yrs- Sign up your team by Thursday 18th January by text, Sunday 2pm - Community Cycle FREE and suitable for all ages who can cycle. Any queries text/ring 087-7646530- All welcome - there's something for all ages - Let's Get Active Everyone.

**Open Night in Ardscoil Mhuire Ballinasloe** on Thursday 25th January 2018 at 7.30pm Tele: 090 9642206/ 090 9643307 Or Email: [ardscoilmhuire@eircom.net](mailto:ardscoilmhuire@eircom.net)

**Portumna College of Further Education** (Old VEC) St. Brigid's Rd, has some places on the PART TIME QQI COURSES. Call 087 6258696.

**Killalaghton Drama Group** presents their three act play THE MAIDEN AUNT by Jimmy Keary on Friday 19th and Saturday 20th January @ 8.30 pm in Killalaghton Hall.

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### **Masses**

10am Sunday 7<sup>th</sup>

**January**

Gemma Tevlin  
Cepta Curley.



**7pm Friday 12<sup>th</sup>** “ Patrick & Elizabeth Burke Ganaveen.  
10am Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> “ Thomas, Mary, Nuala & Tony Colohan.

**Readers: Sunday 14th:** Dawna Concannon/Brid Moore.

**Minister of the Eucharist: Sunday 14<sup>th</sup>:** Christy Gilchrist.

**Servers: Sunday 14th:** Matthew, Rebecca, Jack.

**Money banked** for 24<sup>th</sup>, 25<sup>th</sup> and 31<sup>st</sup> of December: Offertory €718; Christmas Day €597; Priests Christmas Collection €520

**Altar Society for January:** Lily Murphy/Mary Jennings



**Please remember in your prayers: Noel Finneran R.I.P.  
Sincere Sympathy to Adeline, Darragh, Barry and Fergus, brothers  
Dermot & Seamus; sisters Carmel, Helen, Ann, & Brenda.**

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**Midland Warmer Homes (MWH)** in conjunction with the Sustainable Energy Authority of Ireland (SEAI) runs a Warmer Homes Scheme (WHS).

For information or an application form, contact us on 090-6488292 or [info@midlandwarmerhomes.ie](mailto:info@midlandwarmerhomes.ie) or complete the online enquiry form on [www.midlandwarmerhomes.ie](http://www.midlandwarmerhomes.ie).

**Portunna College of Further Education** (Old VEC) St. Brigid's Rd, has places available on the following PART TIME COURSES for beginners & more advanced Adult Learners: Computers, Horticulture, Retail & Business Administration. In Healthcare: Nutrition & Palliative Care, Manual Handling, First Aid, Communications & Work Experience, English for Speakers of Other Languages (ESOL) and Spanish. [michael.cunniffe@gretb.ie](mailto:michael.cunniffe@gretb.ie) or call 087 6258696

**Lawrencetown's "LET'S GET ACTIVE" Event 2018 LAUNCH** is on SATURDAY 13th January at NOON in the Community Hall - the Irish Heart Mobile Health Unit will be in attendance to give FREE health check-ups. Information on the entire 6 week LGA Event will be available on the day along with other health, fitness and well-being Information. Our Guests of Honour will officially launch the event with an exciting and energetic demonstration. Further details available on your local business notice boards, local texts, Lawrencetown Community Development Group Facebook page and on an information leaflet that will be distributed in early January - All welcome - there's something for all ages - Let's Get Active Everyone.

**Irish Heart Foundation's Mobile Health Unit** will be in Lawrencetown from 11am to 3.30pm on Saturday 13th January whereby two fully qualified nurses will be available to provide heart health information and do blood pressure checks. This simple quick and non-invasive test could prove life-saving. The one-to-one advice offered by the nurse is a vital part of this check. Each person receives a personal record card with their results. FREE Service. All welcome.

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