

St. Augustine's Church, Clontuskert

Rev. M. Finneran, P.P.

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Pentecost Sunday

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Masses

10am Sunday 9 th	June	Nora & Matt Hanlon. Jackie & Kathleen Clarke. John Larkin Ballyterim.
10am Monday 10 th	"	Jane Quinn.
10am Tuesday 11 th	"	Special Intention (M.T.)
No Mass Wednesday 12 th		
10am Thursday 13 th	June	-----
8pm Friday 14 th	"	Sean Cormican.
10am Saturday 15 th	"	For people of the parish.
10am Sunday 16 th	"	Michael Kilgannon.

Please pray too for Teresa Mulervy R.I.P., sister of Imelda Black whose funeral was last week-end.

Readers: Sunday 16th: Eileen Curley/Regina Byrnes.

Minister of the Eucharist: Sunday 16th: Frances Turley.

Servers: Rebecca & Euan.

Money Banked: Priests Summer €649; Stole Fees €100 Trocaire €50; Offertory €326.

Ballinasloe Regional Novena: in St. Michael's Church continues until Wednesday 12th June. Times of Sessions: 7.30am; 10am; 8pm each day. See Brochure for "Special Features". Novena will be conducted by the Redemptorists Fathers. Take time out..... to find inner peace and reconciliation. Please give it your full support.

Meditation and Reflection after 10am Mass every Monday for half an hour and before 7pm Mass every Friday. Your presence would be greatly appreciated.

Second Basket Collection on Sunday next, 16th June. Please give as generously as you can.

Daisychain Chernobyl Children's Project Churchgate Collection on Sunday 16th June.

Fr. Jude Fernando from Colombo Diocese in Sri Lanka lived in the Presbytery Loughrea while he did a course in N.U.I.G. during 2004-2005 and was mainly responsible for setting up of the arrangement whereby there will be at least two priests from Colombo diocese in Clonfert Diocese for many years to come. Bishop Kirby contacted Fr. Jude when he heard that one of the churches that was bombed was where Fr. Jude was Administrator.

Statement by Fr. Jude

"Easter Sunday Attacks in Sri Lanka and Recovery Efforts"

On Easter Sunday, April 21 2019, simultaneous bomb blasts ripped through churches and luxury hotels in Sri Lanka killing 257 persons and injuring 500 more. Three churches including our church, St. Anthony's Shrine and three luxury hotels in the commercial capital Colombo. Bombers also attacked St. Sebastian in Katuwapitiya and Zion church in Batticaloa.

The first wave of bombs went off in the morning at 8.45am St. Anthony's Church bomb, which went off around 8.45am targeted the Easter Sunday Mass with a full congregation in attendance. The church was full, and where I was about to enter the altar to offer communion when the blast occurred, only narrowly saving my life by the grace of God. Approximately 100 worshippers have been killed in our church alone and more than 300 died while more than 500 injured during the Easter Sunday Bomb Blast in Sri Lanka.

Recovery Efforts: The church with the help and guidance of His Eminence Malcolm Cardinal Ranjith, the Archbishop of Colombo and the Government launched its recovery programme immediately after this tragedy, tending the injured and looking after those who have lost their loved ones. Sri Lanka Navy started the repair work in St. Jude's Church immediately and Crime Officers of Sri Lanka Police gave clearance to do so.

The church has started holding small services for small groups of the community in the area, focusing on children's groups. The priests have also visited all the devotees living in the area who were affected by the blasts. You can receive further information on the awful atrocity and the deaths caused by visiting the website: <http://www.archdioceseofcolombo.com/>
Bishop Kirby has asked all the parishes of Clonfert in solidarity with Archdiocese of Colombo & particularly with Fr. Jude Fernando to have a second basket collection next Sunday at all Masses. Please give as generously as you can.

Kiltormer GAA Lotto – Jackpot €7,400. Numbers Drawn: 3,17,26,32. No winner. Lucky Dips: Padraic & Una Brien, Claffey Family, Martin Jennings, Michelle Kearns, James Cooke. House Prize: Doreen Glynn. Seller's Prize: Pascal Claffey. Jackpot next week €7,500. Venue: The Hill.

A scrap metal collection will be held in Lawrencetown Soccer Pitch on Sunday 23rd June from 11am-6pm. All funds raised will go towards the new school carpark. Please support. Any queries please contact 0876418332.