

Lawrencetown & Kiltormer

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Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time - 31 January 2016

Masses:	K. Saturday:	8:00 p.m.	Jack Larkin
	L. Sunday:	11:30 a.m.	Phil and Bert Curley
	L. Monday:	7:00 p.m.	Eileen (Dot) Kelly and James and Josephine Keating
	K. Tuesday:	7:00 p.m.	Patrick and Tom Downey
	L. Wednesday:	7:00 p.m.	For the people of the parish
	K. Thursday:	6:00 p.m.	Bridget and John Meehan
	L. Friday:	7:00 p.m.	Paul and Pauline Kelly
	K. Friday:	8:00 p.m.	John Fahy (first anniversary)
	K. Saturday:	8:00 p.m.	Joe Mannion
	L. Sunday:	11:30 a.m.	Bridget Doorhy

Confessions: On request.

 An Induction Loop System has been provided in Lawrencetown church to assist Hearing Aid Users. Please switch your Hearing Aid to the 'T' position.

There will be adoration of the Most Blessed Sacrament in Lawrencetown church tomorrow (Monday) from 6:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. and in Kiltormer church next Thursday from 5:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. Please give some of this time to Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament.

Mass servers this week: Kiltormer—Emer Fahy, Rebecca Hynes, Andrew Hynes, Lawrencetown—Emily Hanlon, Mida Poland, Alisha Hanlon. Next week: Gearóid's and Conor's groups. Readers next weekend (L)-Anne Heery, (K)-Ailish Glynn. Eucharistic minister (K)-Margaret Lynch. Altar Ladies for February (K)—Mary Curley and Hanoria Curley. Door collector for February (K)—Jim Curley.

Parish workers in Lawrencetown for February: Sincere thanks to all who help out in the parish.
Altar Society: Mona Cogavin and Marie Naughton
Door Collectors: Sunday: John Cunningham and Brendan Corcoran
Eucharistic Ministers: Sunday: A.N. Other

Next Tuesday is the feast of the Presentation of the Lord (Candlemas Day). In Kiltormer, candles for home use and sanctuary candles will be blessed at the 7:00 p.m. Mass. If you wish to sponsor a sanctuary candle, please write your name on the label on a candle and put €2.50 in the box. In Lawrencetown candles for home use and sanctuary candles will be blessed at the 7:00 p.m. Mass on Wednesday. If you wish to sponsor a sanctuary candle, please write your name on the label on a candle and put €2.50 in the candle shrine. Candles for the Altar are not needed this year. Please leave candles to be blessed in the box at the front of the Church. Next Wednesday is the feast of St. Blaise. The traditional blessing of throats will take place **during** – not after – the 7:00 p.m. Mass on Tuesday in Kiltormer and **during** – not after – the 7:00 p.m. Mass on Wednesday in Lawrencetown.

Next Friday is the first Friday in February. First Friday Holy Communion calls will begin as usual at 9.30 a.m.

Next Sunday is the fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time. The readings at Mass are Isaiah 6:1-2.3-8, 1 Corinthians 15:1-11, Luke 5:1-11.

Thank you for your contributions to the door collection last weekend—€297.29 (L), €176.27 (K) and to the church refurbishment collection—€101.87 (L).

Lenten Stations: Ash Wednesday is on February 10th this year and it is time to start planning for the Lenten Stations. The Stations are in Kiltormer this time. If it is your turn to have the Station, please get in touch with me to arrange the date. Ideally stations should be on or before March 18th (Friday before Palm Sunday), but not on Saturdays, Sundays or first Fridays. Stations will normally be at 8.00 p.m. Stations may be before Lent.

Kiltormer N.S. Parents Association are appealing for any unwanted 1c or 2c coins. Please donate by 15th March. All donations towards school resources. Please drop into the school or give to any parents Association member.

We offer our deepest sympathy to Mary Callagy and her family on the death of her uncle John Pender. Please pray for the happy repose of his soul. May he rest in peace.

Bishop Kirby has asked that the annual collection for the Clonfert – Lourdes Invalid Fund should be taken up. In both churches the loose money in the offertory collection next weekend is for the Lourdes Invalid Fund.

Year of Mercy: Pope Francis said: 'To reach the Holy Door in Rome or in any other place in the world, everyone, each according to his or her ability, will have to make a pilgrimage. This will be a sign that mercy is also a goal to reach and requires dedication and sacrifice. May pilgrimage be an impetus to conversion: by crossing the threshold of the Holy Door, we will find the strength to embrace God's mercy and dedicate ourselves to being merciful with others as the Father has been with us.'

eWTN TV (Sky #589). Programmes this week include Children's programmes at 3:30 p.m. with *Cat Chat* on Monday, *The Sorrowful Mysteries* on Tuesday, *The Chimes* on Wednesday, *The Donut Man* on Thursday and *The Way of the Cross for Kids* on Friday. *Virtue, Freedom and Faith* is today (Sunday) at 7:00 a.m. and Tuesday at 10:30 p.m. *Dr. Phil Boyle* is today at 7:30 a.m. and Monday at 2:00 p.m. *Eucharistic Congress Closing Mass from the Philippines* is today at 8:00 a.m. and 11:00 p.m. *The Choices We Face* is today at 9:30 a.m. and Thursday at 2:00 p.m. *My Country, My Faith: First Holy Communion* is today at 10:30 a.m. *Angelus with Pope Francis* is today at 11:00 a.m. *Lord Have Mercy* is today at 11:30 a.m. and Thursday at 9:30 p.m. *Defending Life* is today at 3:30 p.m. and Monday at 10:30 p.m. *Savoring our Faith* is today at 5:30 p.m. *The Pilgrim Statue of Fatima* is today at 8:00 p.m. and Monday at 2:30 p.m. *Forgotten Heritage: St Dominic* is on Monday at 8:30 a.m. and Saturday at 10:00 p.m. A series: *Women of Grace* is Monday to Friday at 4:30 p.m. *Web of Faith* is on Monday at 5:00 p.m. *St. Luke's Gospel* is Monday at 9:30 p.m., Wednesday at 5:00 p.m. and Friday at 7:30 p.m. *Apostolate for Family Conversion* is on Tuesday at 2:30 p.m. *Living Right with Dr. Ray* is on Tuesday at 9:30 p.m. *Papal Audience* is on Wednesday at 8:50 a.m. *Fr Spitzer's Universe* is on Wednesday at 7:00 p.m. and Saturday at 10:00 a.m. *Living The Faith* is on Wednesday at 8:30 p.m., Friday at 7:00 a.m. and Saturday at 5:00 p.m. *Grandparents* is on Wednesday at 10:30 p.m. and Thursday at 7:00 a.m. *First Saturday Devotion* is on Saturday at 2:00 p.m.

Lenten Reflection Series at The Abbey, Loughrea. Mercy: Encountering God's Patience through music, meditation and silence. Each Thursday 11th Feb - 10th March from 7pm to 8pm. All welcome.

Enrolment of new pupils for 2016 will take place in Lawrencetown N.S. on Friday, 5th February at 2.30 p.m. Please bring along your child(ren) to meet and greet the teacher, as well as their Birth and Baptismal Certificates. If this time is not suitable for some parents, an alternative appointment can be arranged by phoning Lawrencetown N.S. on 090-9685609.

Remembrance Service will be held on Mon 1st Feb. at 7:30 p.m. in Portiuncula Hospital Chapel for parents who have experienced bereavement through the death of a child, miscarriage or stillbirth

Doctor on call for emergencies on Sat 30th Jan. & Sun 31st: Marina House Medical Centre ☎ 087 2030217; Fri 5th Feb. until Sat 6th at 12:30 p.m.: Dr. David Ross ☎ 087 6623308; Sat 6th from 12:30 p.m. & Sun 7th: Dunlo Medical Centre ☎ 087 6254783.

Kiltormer GAA Club Lotto: Last week's numbers: 2, 3, 4, 9. No jackpot winner. Lucky dip: Mary Callaghy, Mairead Rafferty, Emmet Goode, Mary Lawless, Joseph McEvoy. Seller's prize: Sean McKeigue. House prizes: Ger Markham. The draw this Saturday for €17,300 is in Mother's Bar.

Holy Land Pilgrimage 2016: Fr Benny McHale has organised a pilgrimage to the Holy Land (his thirty-first) from June 7th to June 17th 2016. 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 – in fact it is the safest place in the Middle East at the moment and pilgrims need have no worry about security.

There will be a memorial service for Canon George Flynn in St John's Church Ballinasloe, on Saturday 6th February at midday. All are welcome.

Open Invitation to 1916 Centenary Event at the Workhouse, Portumna on Thurs. 4th Feb. at 6 p.m. Launch of Commemorative Postcards from the Archives, followed by screening (cinemobile) of two films, *Mise Éire* and a short film produced by TY students, Woodford. This event is hosted by Galway County Council. Refreshments served and all welcome. Booking essential; tel: 091 509025.

South East Galway IRD/Irish Workhouse Centre has vacancies for a manager and also seasonal tour guides. The closing date for receipt of applications is 12th February. For full job descriptions and details on how to apply, please e-mail info@irishworkhousecentre.ie

Killalaghton Drama Group presents their three act comedy "A WAKE IN THE WEST" by Michael Joe Ginnelly on Friday 12th & Saturday 13th February @ 8.30 in Killalaghton Hall