

Lawrencetown & Kiltormer

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First Sunday of Lent - 14 February 2016

Masses:	K. Saturday:	8:00 p.m.	Johnny Lynch
	L. Sunday:	11:30 a.m.	Mick and Patrick Hanlon
	L. Monday:	7:00 p.m.	Joe & Mary Walsh and Marty Walsh (Annaghcallow)
	K. Tuesday:	7:00 p.m.	Jim and Delia Murphy
	L. Wednesday:	9:00 a.m.	For the people of the parish
	K. Thursday:	6:00 p.m.	Michael and Mary Ward and Mary Keogh
	L. Friday:	7:00 p.m.	Private intention.
	K. Saturday:	8:00 p.m.	Dylan Larkin
	L. Sunday:	11:30 a.m.	Leo Glynn

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—Amy Roche, Joseph Freehill, Adam Roche, Lawrencetown—Ciarán Craughwell, Mark Kilkenny, Caoimhe Craughwell. Next week: Leah's and Claire's groups. Readers next weekend (L)—Claire Whyte, (K)—Gerard Glynn. Eucharistic minister (K)—Frances Curley.

Next Sunday is the second Sunday of Lent. The readings at Mass are Genesis 15:5-12.17-18, Philippians 3:17-4:1, Luke 9:28-36.

Thank you for your contributions to the door collection last weekend—€222.90 (L), €215.30 (K) and to the Lourdes collection—€116 (L), €175 (K).

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 should be at 8.00 p.m.

EWTVN TV (Sky #589). Programmes this week include Children's programmes at 3:30 p.m. with *Object Lessons: Seeds* on Wednesday, *The Mysteries of Light* on Thursday and *The Way of the Cross for Kids* on Friday. *Virtue, Freedom and Faith* is today (Sunday) at 7:00 a.m. *Lenten Reflections* is today at 7:30 a.m., Wednesday at 2:00 p.m., Thursday at 9:30 p.m. and Saturday at 3:30 p.m. *Pope Francis: an Apostolic Journey to Mexico* is today at 9:00 a.m., 5:15 p.m. & 11:30 p.m., Monday at 10:00 a.m., 3:45 p.m. & 10:00 p.m., Tuesday at 10:00 a.m., 3:45 p.m. & 10:15 p.m., Wednesday at 8:30 a.m., 5:30 p.m., 7:00 p.m. & 10:30 p.m. and Thursday at 9:00 a.m. *Lord Have Mercy* is today at 11:30 a.m. *Defending Life* is today at 3:30 p.m. *Battle for Souls* is today at 4:00 p.m. and Saturday at 7:00 p.m. *Savoring our Faith* is today at 7:30 p.m., Tuesday at 11:30 a.m. and Saturday at 2:00 p.m. *Forgotten Heritage: St Thomas More* is on Monday at 8:30 a.m. and Saturday at 10:00 p.m. *Dame Nuala O'Loan* is on Monday at 2:00 p.m. *Grandparents* is on Tuesday at 2:00 p.m., & Thursday at 7:00 a.m. *Apostolate for Family Conversion* is on Tuesday at 2:30 p.m. A series: *Women of Grace* is Wednesday to Friday at 4:30 p.m. *St. Luke's Gospel* is Monday at 9:30 p.m., Wednesday at 5:00 p.m. & Friday at 7:30 p.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. *The Choices We Face* is on Thursday at 2:00 p.m. *Living Right with Dr. Ray* is on Saturday at 10:00 a.m.

We welcome Sarah Moiya Kilkenny and Keira Donnelly and Shauna Lucy Glynn, all baptised last weekend, into the parish community, and we congratulate their proud parents Jason & Claire Kilkenny, Phelim & Martina Donnelly and John & Siobhán Glynn and Sarah's big brothers James and Mark and big sister Ruth and Keira's big sisters Leah and Abbie.

We offer our deepest sympathy to Phil Horan and her family on the death of her mother Bridget Keating. Please pray for the happy repose of her soul. May she rest in peace.

Year of Mercy: Pope Francis, quoting Saint John XXIII when he opened the Second Vatican Ecumenical Council, said: "Now the Bride of Christ wishes to use the medicine of mercy rather than taking up arms of severity ... The Catholic Church, as she holds high the torch of Catholic truth at this Ecumenical Council, wants to show herself a loving mother to all; patient, kind, moved by compassion and goodness toward her separated children."

Celebrating the Jubilee of Mercy at Knock Shrine: Knock Shrine is holding a free weekend event on March 12th and 13th to celebrate the Jubilee of Mercy. 'Engaging the Heart' will feature talks, workshops, a healing and reconciliation service, music, reflection and a choral concert, all exploring the themes of hope, forgiveness, healing and reconciliation. Individuals and groups are welcome to come along and join the talks and workshops on one or both days. All parishes are welcome to bring a group (please register parish groups in advance). Further information from Frances at Knock, (094) 9388100, email: faithrenewal@knockshrine.ie. Visit www.knockshrine.ie/mercy for the weekend programme.

Husbands and Wives: Why not gift one another with a Marriage Encounter Weekend to enrich your communication, rekindle romance, deepen your love and discover the rich spirituality of your marriage. The next Weekend will be at The Creggan Court Hotel, Athlone from 26 to 28-Feb-2016. For more info. and / or to book, visit www.marriageencounter.ie or call 087-784 0408 for a brochure.

Pioneer Lenten Challenge! Many people abstain from alcohol and take the Short-Term Pledge for Lent. Make your Lenten pledge by visiting www.pioneerassociation.ie and joining online. You could help someone you know/love with an alcohol or drug problem by offering up your Lenten sacrifice as a prayer for his or her freedom and well-being. Go for it and make a difference to someone's life!

Doctor on call for emergencies on Sat 13th Feb. until Sun 14th at 9:30 a.m.: Dr. Mary B. Murphy ☎ 086 2533063, 9685714, 9685645; Sun 14th from 9:30 a.m.: Dr. Andrew Sargaian ☎ 089 4322267; Fri 19th until Sat 20th at 12:30 p.m.: Dunlo Medical Centre ☎ 087 6254783; Sat 20th from 12:30 p.m. & Sun 21st: Marina House Medical Centre ☎ 087 2030217.

Kiltormer GAA Club Lotto: Last week's numbers: 28, 23, 8, 11. No jackpot winner. Lucky dip: Liam Callaghy, Zoe/Killian/Doreen Glynn, Jimmy Fahy, Paddy Collins, Joe Markham. Seller's prize: Mother's Bar. House prizes: Liam Dervan. The draw this Saturday for €17,500 is in Pardy's Bar.

Take Sale on Sunday 28th Feb. from 11am - 12.45 in Lawrencetown Hall. If you would like to give items for sale, please drop them into the hall before Sunday Mass or contact Mary Nee or Marie Dolphin before the event. All proceeds will go towards this years Parish Party on Sunday 20th March.

This is a call out looking for ladies who would like to take part in the VHI Women's Mini Marathon on behalf of team Anam Cara in 2016. We would be delighted if you would consider running, jogging or walking the 10k for your local Anam Cara Group. Registration will be opening on 17th Feb. at www.vhiwomensminimarathon.ie. For more information and your fundraising pack drop us an email beforehand to c.curley@anamcara.ie. Always a special day were we remember our children or someone special together..... We have booked our usual spot in Doheny & Nesbitt's on Baggot Street for the day

The ConTempo Quartet return for the 2nd of 3 Spring lunchtime concerts at Ballinasloe Library this Tuesday 16th at 1pm. The recital will feature works from Vollans, Piazzolla and Dvořák. Adm: free

Loughrea Family & Community Resource Centre is now offering a "drop in" Family Support Service every Tuesday from 10am - 1pm. If you can't come in person, your name and number can be given (in strict confidence) to the Family Support worker who will return your call between 10am and 1pm on Tuesday. For more information phone Liz or Barbara on 091 871149 or call in to the Resource Centre during our opening hours - 9.30am - 1pm Monday to Friday and 2.30pm - 4.30pm Tuesday to Friday.

Mullagh National School and Little Allstars Montessori are holding their open day on Saturday, February 27th from 11:00a.m to 12:00. Children wishing to start in September 2106 can enrol on the day.

The Seumas O'Kelly Players present John B Keane's SIVE. March 3rd, 5th & 6th. Temperance Hall, Loughrea. 8.30pm. Tickets €10 in advance from T L O'Brien's, Main Street. €12 on Door. Call Daniel on 0852810895.

The Acorn Players Leitrim, are staging the 3 Act Comedy "The Two Loves of Gabriel Foley" by Jimmy Keary on Saturday 20th February at 8pm in The Town Hall Theatre Ballinasloe. Phone: 090 9643779 for bookings.

Choral Leisure Ballinasloe are now taking bookings for Kids Easter Swim & Activity Camps. Swim Camp 10-11am daily, 28th March - 1st April & Day Camp 10am -3pm, from 21st - 25th March. Bookings: call 9645755

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