

Lawrencetown & Kiltormer

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Third Sunday of Lent - 28 February 2016

Masses:	K. Saturday:	8:00 p.m.	Tom Lynch
	L. Sunday:	11:30 a.m.	Peter and Agnes Naughton
	L. Monday:	7:00 p.m.	Private intention.
	K. Tuesday:	7:00 p.m.	Michael Larkin and deceased members of the Farrell family
	L. Wednesday:	9:00 a.m.	For the people of the parish
	K. Thursday:	6:00 p.m.	Patrick and Jim Curley
	L. Friday:	7:00 p.m.	John, Michael and Eileen Walsh
	K. Friday:	8:00 p.m.	Josephine Curley (Skycur)
	K. Saturday:	8:00 p.m.	Eileen Markham
	L. Sunday:	11:30 a.m.	Pat Joe & Winifred Glynn and Joe Connolly

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.

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

Mass servers this week: Kiltormer—Emer Fahy, Rebecca Hynes, Andrew Hynes, Lawrencetown—Emily Hanlon, Mída Poland, Alisha Hanlon. Next week: Gearóid's and Conor's groups. Readers next weekend (L)-Brigid Frehill, (K)-Phyllis Ryan. Eucharistic minister (K)-Ailish Glynn. Altar Ladies for February (K)—Margaret Egan and Kathleen Guinan. Door collector for February (K)—Pat Guinan.

Parish workers for Lawrencetown in March: Thanks to all who help so generously.

Altar Society:	Sunday:	Mary Nee & Anne Lucas
Door Collectors:	Sunday:	Jimmy O'Dowd & Michael Gately
Eucharistic Ministers:	Sunday:	Mary Nee

Next Sunday is the fourth Sunday of Lent. The readings at Mass are Joshua 5:9-10-12, II Corinthians 5:17-21, Luke 15:1-3,11-32.

Thank you for your contributions to the door collection last weekend—€194.20 (L), €230.11 (K), to the church refurbishment collection—€89.68 (L) and to the Lenten collection—€307 (L) (19 envelopes), €292 (K) (22 envelopes).

Lenten Stations: It is time to start planning for the Lenten Stations. If it you would like to have the Station – in either end of the parish – 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 are normally at 8.00 p.m.

Year of Mercy: Pope Francis states that he would like Friday, March 4 thru Saturday, March 5, 2016 to be set aside as "24 Hours for the Lord." As part of the Jubilee Year of Mercy, Clonfert Diocese will promote 24 Hours for the Lord next Friday and Saturday 4th & 5th of March. On Friday it will begin at 11.00am Mass in Loughrea and will continue for 12 hours until 11.00pm. On Saturday it will begin at 10.00am Mass in Ballinasloe and continue until 10.00pm. Also in Emmanuel House of Providence there will be 24 hours of prayer starting at 11am on Friday March 4th and concluding Saturday morning at 11am. All most welcome, refreshments will be provided. Confessors will be available in Loughrea and Ballinasloe and Emmanuel House during these times.

Diocese of Clonfert. Lenten Adult Faith Development Gathering 2016. Theme: "Meeting Jesus in Prayer and Parables". Gullane's Hotel Ballinasloe. Sunday March 6th, 2.30–5.30 p.m. Glenstal monks Fr. Columba McCann & Fr. Luke McNamara are guest presenters. For further information take a brochure from the church porch. All are welcome. Bring a friend.

We welcome Amelia Rose Murray, baptised last week, into the parish community, and we congratulate her parents Daniel and Coleen and big brother Dean.

EWTVN TV (Sky #589). Programmes this week include Children's programmes at 3:30 p.m. with *Teach Me to Pray* on Monday, *The Sorrowful Mysteries* on Tuesday, *Object Lessons: Fruit* on Wednesday, *Christopher Columbus* 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. *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. *The Choices We Face* is today at 9:30 a.m. and Thursday at 2:00 p.m. *My Country, My Faith: Crisis to Renewal* 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. *Defending Life* is today at 3:30 p.m. and Monday at 10:30 p.m. *Battle for Souls* is today at 4:00 p.m., Thursday at 9:00 a.m. and Saturday at 7:00 p.m. *Savoring our Faith* is today at 5:30 p.m. *Forgotten Heritage: St Margaret Mary Alacoque* is on Monday at 8:30 a.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. *Grandparents* is on Tuesday at 2:00 p.m., Wednesday at 10:30 p.m. and Thursday at 7:00 a.m. *Apostolate for Family Conversion* is on Tuesday at 2:30 p.m. *Anger Management* is on Tuesday at 7:30 p.m. and Saturday at 8:30 a.m. *Living Right with Dr. Ray* is on Tuesday at 9:30 p.m. and Saturday at 10:00 a.m. *Papal Audience* is on Wednesday at 8:50 a.m. *Father Spitzer's Universe* is on Wednesday at 7:00 p.m. and Saturday at 4:00 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. *First Saturday Devotion* is on Saturday at 2:00 p.m.

Doctor on call for emergencies on Sat 27th & Sun 28th: Dunlo Medical Centre ☎ 087 6254783; Fri 4th March until Sat 5th at 12:30 p.m.: Dr. Mary B. Murphy ☎ 086 2533063, 9685714, 9685645; Sat 5th from 12:30 p.m. & Sun 6th: Dr. Killian Darcy ☎ 085 1457444.

Kiltormer GAA Club Lotto: Last week's numbers: 10, 17, 24, 32. No jackpot winner. Lucky dip: Margaret Parady, Amanda & Avril Glynn, Maisie Tully, Brenda Kenny, Francis Kearns. Seller's prize: Fahy's Shop. House prizes: Michael Callaghy. The draw this Saturday for €17,700 is in Mother's Bar.

Cake 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 year's Parish Party on Sunday 20th March.

OpenDay/Enrolment day on Thurs 10th March in Kiltormer N.S. from 10 a.m. to 12 noon. All welcome. Details form 9627109.

Proclamation Day in Kiltormer school on Tues 15th Mar at 11 a.m. Raising of the Irish flag, 1916 projects, music and museum. Light refreshments ALL parishioners welcome. Appeal for photos of the village over the last 100 years.

The Youth 2000 Connaught retreat will take place in Moneenageisha Community College, Galway City from Friday 4th March to Sunday 6th March. It is an opportunity for young people (16-35 yrs) to take some time out of their regular routine and have an experience like no other! There promises to be an action packed programme consisting of workshops, testimonies, music, drama, prayer, talks and chill out time. For more details visit www.youth2000.ie or call 086-2150607 (on-line booking recommended).

Easter Triduum at Esker Retreat Centre, Athenry from Holy Thurs 24th March – Easter Sunday Morning 27th. This is three days of meditation and prayer in preparation for Easter. Contact 091 844549 or www.redemptoristsesker.ie for more details.

DARKNESS INTO LIGHT LAUNCH 2016: Ballinasloe will host the Galway City and County launch of Darkness into Light on Friday, March 11th @ 7.30pm in the Shearwater Hotel, Ballinasloe. Guest speakers and refreshments on the night. All welcome.

MAJOR JOINT GAA AND CAMOGIE FUNDRAISER Play called "THE PULL" in Eyrecourt Hall on Friday March the 4th at 7.30pm. A comedy for all ages. All support appreciated.

Music Matters annual Festival Weekend takes place in Loughrea 18th-20th March. Opportunities for solo instrumental performances in any genre are being offered to anybody who would like to participate during the Festival. If you would like to perform or are the parent of a student who would like to play a favourite piece, send your details and a contact phone no. to musicmattersgalway@gmail.com before 11th March.

Message of Our Lady to the parish of Medjugorje and to the world:

February 25, 2015: "Dear children! In this time of grace, I am calling all of you to conversion. Little children, you love little and pray even less. You are lost and do not know what your goal is. Take the cross, look at Jesus and follow Him. He gives Himself to you to the death on the cross, because He loves you. Little children, I am calling you: return to prayer with the heart so as to find hope and the meaning of your existence, in prayer. I am with you and am praying for you. Thank you for having responded to my call."

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