

# Lawrencetown & Kiltormer

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## Passion (Palm) Sunday - 20 March 2016

<b>Masses:</b>	K. Saturday:	8:00 p.m.	Ann-Marie and Frank Curley
	L. Sunday:	11:30 a.m.	Phyllis O'Connor
	L. Monday:	7:00 p.m.	Carmel & Tommy Curley and dec. members of Starr family
	K. Tuesday:	7:00 p.m.	Martin and Nora Leahy
	L. Wednesday:	9:00 a.m.	For the people of the parish
	K. Thursday:	6:00 p.m.	Private intention.
	L. Thursday:	8:00 p.m.	Private intention.
	L. Friday:	3:00 p.m.	Celebration of the Lord's Passion
	K. Friday:	7:00 p.m.	Celebration of the Lord's Passion
	K. Saturday:	8:00 p.m.	Patrick & Joe McDonagh and Sadie Conroy
	L. Sunday:	11:30 a.m.	Michael and Annie Kelly (Belview)

**Confessions:** Penitential rites for Easter have been arranged as follows:

Ballinasloe:	Monday, 7.30 p.m.	Lawrencetown:	Tuesday, 8.00 p.m.
Kiltormer:	Tuesday, 7.30 p.m.		

 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 there will be adoration of the Most Blessed Sacrament at the Altar of Repose in both churches next Thursday after the Masses. Please give some of this time to Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament.

**M**ass servers this week: Kiltormer—Leah Campbell, Sophie Flynn, Lawrencetown—Claire Whyte, Michael Kennedy, Niamh Moloney. Next week: Emer's and Emily's groups. Readers: Holy Thursday (K)—Breda Turley and next weekend (L)—Corrina Goode, (K)—Geraldine Curley. Eucharistic minister (K): Holy Thursday—Mary Hayes, Good Friday—Frances Curley, Saturday—Margaret Lynch.

**T**he 'Chrism Mass' will be concelebrated by the bishop and most of the priests of the diocese in St. Brendan's Cathedral, Loughrea next Wednesday evening at 8.00 p.m. At this Mass the bishop will bless the oils to be used for Baptism, Confirmation, the Anointing of the Sick, etc., for the coming year and the priests will renew their commitment to priestly service. All are invited to this special celebration.

**N**ext Friday is Good Friday and is a day of fast and abstinence. All those aged 14 and over are obliged to abstain from meat and all those between 18 and 59 should have only one full meal and two small meals or snacks.

**T**he traditional collection for the Holy Places is taken up each year on Good Friday. There will be a basket collection on Friday after Communion for the Holy Places. See EWTN programme schedule.

**N**ext Sunday is Easter Sunday. The readings at Mass are Acts 10:34,37-43, Colossians 3:1-4, John 20:1-9.

**B**ishop Kirby has asked that the annual collection for the Irish Episcopal Council for Emigrants should be taken up. In both churches the loose money in the offertory collection next weekend will be for the Irish Episcopal Council for Emigrants.

**T**here will be a Dawn Mass in Clontuskert Abbey on Easter Sunday morning at 7.00 a.m. (6.00 a.m. if you do not put your clock forward one hour). All are welcome.

**L**enten 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. Stations may not be on Saturdays, Sundays or first Fridays.

**Y**ear of Mercy: Pope Francis said "We need constantly to contemplate the mystery of mercy. It is a wellspring of joy, serenity, and peace. Our salvation depends on it. Mercy: the word reveals the very mystery of the Most Holy Trinity. Mercy: the ultimate and supreme act by which God comes to meet us. Mercy: the fundamental law that dwells in the heart of every person who looks sincerely into the eyes of his brothers and sisters on the path of life. Mercy: the bridge that connects God and man, opening our hearts to the hope of being loved forever despite our sinfulness."

**W**e offer our deepest sympathy to Charity Dreaper-Eyre and her family on the death of her sister Ann (Anchoretta) Hyde. Please pray for the happy repose of her soul. May she rest in peace.

**E**WTN TV (Sky #589). Programmes this week include Children's programmes at 3:30 p.m. with *The Sorrowful Mysteries* on Monday and Tuesday, *We Are Catholic* on Wednesday, *Holy Thursday* on Thursday and *Good Friday* on Friday. *Lenten Reflections* is today (Sunday) at 7:30 a.m., Wednesday at 2:00 p.m. and Saturday at 3:30 p.m. *John Paul II and the Sick* is today at 8:00 a.m. and 5:30 p.m. and Saturday at 7:00 p.m. *Mass of Palm Sunday with Pope Francis* is today at 8:30 a.m. and 11:00 p.m. *Holy Week Retreat* is Monday to Friday at 8:00 a.m. and 9:00 p.m. (10:00 p.m. on Friday) A series: *Jewish Roots of Catholicism* in Monday to Wednesday at 10:00 a.m. A series: *Women of Grace* is Monday to Wednesday at 4:30 p.m. *That I May See* is on Monday at 8:00 p.m. and Saturday at 5:00 p.m. *God So Loved the World* is on Tuesday at 7:00 a.m. and Thursday at 12:30 p.m. *Papal Audience* is on Wednesday at 8:50 a.m. *Father Spitzer's Universe* is on Wednesday at 7:00 p.m. *Chrism Mass with Pope Francis* is on Thursday at 8:30 a.m. *The Choices We Face* is on Thursday at 2:00 p.m. *Mass of the Lord's Supper* is on Thursday at 4:00 p.m. *Unlocking the Secret of the Shroud* is on Thursday at 6:00 p.m. and 11:30 p.m. ***The Story of the Holy Places Collection*** is on Thursday at 6:30 p.m., Friday at 7:30 a.m. and 10:30 p.m. and Saturday at 11:30 a.m. *Praying with Jesus in the Garden of Olives* is on Thursday at 7:00 p.m. *Celebration of the Passion with Pope Francis* is on Friday at 4:00 p.m. *The Way of the Cross from Rome* is on Friday at 8:15 p.m. *Easter Vigil Mass* from Rome is Saturday at 7:30 p.m.

**D**ivine Mercy Sunday will be celebrated at Emmanuel House on Sunday 3rd April, starting at 2pm. Holy Mass will be celebrated on the day, and confessions will be available.

**T**hank you for your contributions to the door collection last weekend—€282.07 (L), €247.00 (K), to the church refurbishment collection—€53.18 (L) and to the Lenten collection—€489 (L) (35 envelopes), €401 (K) (32 envelopes). If you have not handed in your envelope for the SMA collection, please do so immediately. Please also hand in your Lenten collection envelope, if you have not done so.

**L**awrencetown Parish Party is this Sunday the 20th of March. Dinner will be served at 2pm followed by music and entertainment at 4pm. Anyone who would like to come along and join in the afternoon's entertainment will be most welcome.

**C**onfert Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes is from 23<sup>rd</sup> to 28<sup>th</sup> August this year, providing full medical & nursing care for the elderly and sick. Cost, including return coach to Knock airport, air fare, 5 nights full board in Hotel Mediterranee and insurance is €695. Accueil (Hospital) €608. €10 discount per person for Hotel Mediterranee if you book before April 9<sup>th</sup>. Society Travel, Ballinasloe, 9645350.

**T**hanks to all who contributed to the Lollipop Day church gate collection in aid of Oesophageal Cancer. €145 was collected in Kiltormer. The amount collected in Lawrencetown is not available.

**K**iltormer GAA Club Lotto: Last week's numbers: 8, 9, 28, 5. No jackpot winner. Lucky dip: Sophie Colohan/Ella Guinan, Frank Finnerty, Phil Duane, Colette & Kieran Lynch, Ann Donnelly (Kiltormer). Seller's prize: Fahy's shop. House prize: Fr. C. O'Byrne. The draw this Saturday for €18,000 is in The Hill.

**D**octor on call for emergencies on Sat 19<sup>th</sup> March & Sun 20<sup>th</sup>: Dr. David Ross ☎ 087 6623308; Fri 25<sup>th</sup> until Sat 26<sup>th</sup> at 12:30 p.m.: Dunlo Medical Centre ☎ 087 6254783; Sat 26<sup>th</sup> from 12:30 p.m. & Sun 27<sup>th</sup>: Dr. Mary B. Murphy ☎ 086 2533063; Monday 28<sup>th</sup>: Dr. Andrew Sargaison ☎ 089 4322267.

**T**he Association of Catholics in Ireland (ACI) will host a meeting entitled: *Women: A Potential For Ministry In The Church*. The speakers are Ms. Maire Ni Dhuibhir and Fr. Tony Flannery. Date: Thursday 31st March 2016. Time 7.30 p.m. Venue: Clayton Hotel, Galway. All are welcome.

**L**awrencetown Community Group, under its newly formed committee, has organised a public meeting for ALL residents of Lawrencetown and surrounding area who would like to see Lawrencetown's facilities and community culture enhanced for everybody from teenagers to young adults to middle-aged adults to retired adults and senior citizens. Ideas will be outlined, views exchanged and suggestions welcomed. The meeting will be in the hall on Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> March at 9 p.m. Come and have your say!

**C**hildren's Centre in Galway, providing services to children with physical and sensory disabilities, are having a church gate collection on the weekend of March 19<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup>.

**C**are Bears Community Playschool Lawrencetown. Enrolment Day Friday 8 April 2016 if you are unable to attend contact 0872953368.

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