

Lawrencetown & Kiltormer

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Sixth Sunday of Easter - 1 May 2016

Masses:	K. Saturday:	8:00 p.m.	Michael and Kitty O'Brien
	L. Sunday:	11:30 a.m.	Paddy and Maura Daly
	L. Monday:	7:00 p.m.	Private intention.
	K. Tuesday:	7:00 p.m.	Katie Loftus
	L. Wednesday:	9:00 a.m.	For the people of the parish
	K. Thursday:	6:00 p.m.	Private intention
	L. Friday:	7:00 p.m.	Private intention.
	K. Friday:	8:00 p.m.	Tommie, Bridie and Leona Finnerty
	K. Saturday:	8:00 p.m.	Bríd Lynch
	L. Sunday:	11:30 a.m.	Jack and Mary Coughlan

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 on 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 May. First Friday Holy Communion calls will begin as usual at 9.30 a.m.

Mass servers this week: Kiltormer—Gearóid Markham, Kaitlyn Brien, Amanda Brien, Lawrencetown—Conor Mannion, Jessica Mannion, Katie Cahill. Next week: Amy's and Ciarán's groups. Readers next weekend (L)—Michael Healy, (K)—Mary Muldoon. Eucharistic minister (K)—Mary Hayes. Altar Ladies for May (K)—Carmel Hough and Bridie Finnerty. Door collector (K)—John Larkin.

Parish workers in Lawrencetown for May:

Altar Society		Joan Burgoyne & Maura Farrell
Door Collectors:	Sunday:	Donie Frehill & Éamon Staunton
Eucharistic Ministers:	Sunday:	Michael Healy

Sincere thanks to all who help in the parish in so many different ways.

Next Sunday is the feast of the Ascension of the Lord. The readings at Mass are Acts 1:11, Ephesians 1:17-23, Luke 24:46-53.

Thank you for your contributions to the door collection last weekend—€187.50 (L), €211.09 (K), to the church refurbishment collection—€73.41 (L) and to the Priests' Retirement fund collection—€157 (L) (10 envelopes), €370 (K) (20 envelopes). If you have not yet handed in your Trócaire money, please do so next weekend. If you wish to make your donation by cheque, please make the cheque payable to 'Lawrencetown Church Account' or 'Kiltormer Church Account'.

There will be a meeting of Kiltormer Parish Pastoral Council in the sacristy next Tuesday at 8:30 p.m. All members are requested to attend.

Year of Mercy: Pope Francis said: " 'Patient and merciful.' These words often go together in the Old Testament to describe God's nature. His being merciful is concretely demonstrated in his many actions throughout the history of salvation where his goodness prevails over punishment and destruction. In a special way the Psalms bring to the fore the grandeur of his merciful action: 'He forgives all your iniquity, he heals all your diseases, he redeems your life from the pit, he crowns you with steadfast love and mercy' (Ps 103:3-4)."

May Masses and Devotions in Our Lady of Clonfert Church opening Mass on Sunday 1st of May at 8pm and Mass each evening for the month of May (except the remaining Sundays) at 8pm. Timetables available on Clonfert website and our Facebook page.

ACCORD the Diocesan Agency for Marriage and the Family, is looking for group workers for its Pre-Marriage Education Service. Contact: 090 9643573 or Web: <http://www.accord.ie/> for further information and application form.

Ballinasloe's Darkness Into Light takes place on Saturday 7th May at 4.15am from the Emerald Ballroom. Please join us on this 5km walk/run. Register online now at dil.pieta.ie or contact GELS on 085 1237878. On the morning of the walk, bring a torch and wear appropriate clothing and footwear. Our Darkness Into Light pop-up shop on Main Street Ballinasloe is open Fridays and Saturdays from 12-6pm. The Shearwater are also offering a buffet breakfast for €8 @5.30am on the morning of the event.

eWTN TV (Sky #589). Programmes this week include Children's programmes at 3:30 p.m. with *The Lost Coin* on Monday, *When Children Adore* on Tuesday, *It's Great to be Alive* on Wednesday, *The Mysteries of Light* on Thursday and *The Way of the Cross for Kids* on Friday. *The Choices We Face* is today (Sunday) at 9:30 a.m. and Thursday at 2:00 p.m. *Regina Caeli with Pope Francis* is today at 11:00 a.m. *How to Pray for your Sons & Daughters & Loved Ones* is today at 2:30 p.m., Tuesday at 7:00 a.m. and Wednesday at 8:00 p.m. *Defending Life* is today at 3:30 p.m. and Monday at 10:30 p.m. *The Three Little Shepherds (of Fatima)* is today at 4:00 p.m., Thursday at 9:00 a.m. and Saturday at 7:00 p.m. *Door of Faith* is today at 8:00 p.m. and Tuesday at 2:30 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. *Gifts of Catholicism to Civilization* on Monday at 8:30 p.m., Friday at 8:30 a.m. and Saturday at 2:30 p.m. *St. Luke's Gospel* is Monday at 9:30 p.m. and Wednesday at 5:00 p.m. *Catholicism* is on Tuesday at 11:00 a.m. *Discerning the Will of God* is Tuesday at 2:00 p.m. and Saturday at 5:00 p.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. *First Saturday Devotion* is on Saturday at 2:00 p.m.

Kiltormer GAA Club Lotto: Last week's numbers: 7, 11, 30, 32. No jackpot winner. Lucky dip: Martin Staunton, Brendan Dervan, Caroline Murphy, Jerome O'Connor, Paul Glynn. Seller's prize: Maura Hanley. House prize: John Turley. The draw this Saturday for €18,600 is in Pardy's Bar.

Doctor on call on Sat 30th April to Mon 2nd May at 9:30 a.m.: Dunlo Medical Centre ☎ 087 6254783; Bank Holiday Monday 2nd May from 9:30 a.m.: Marina House Medical Centre ☎ 087 2030217; Fri 6th May to Sat 7th at 12:30 p.m.: Dr. Andrew Sargaison ☎ 089 4322267; Sat 7th May from 12:30 p.m. and Sun 8th; Dr. Killian Darcy ☎ 085 1457444.

East Galway & Midland Cancer Support says thanks for your contributions to their church gate collections. The €3,072.00 raised will be used for Ireland's first gym for cancer patients.

Calvary Cemetery. Following some meetings held last summer, of people who had become concerned with the rundown condition of the entrance gate and parking area, and some flooding, the County Council removed the entrance gate and restored and treated it and rehung it. At a further meeting held some months ago, a small subcommittee was formed to continue to lobby for further improvements. Kevin Harte, Mary Madden and Michael Healy have taken on this task. Some more progress has been made recently. The Council has removed the steel bollards. They are repairing the gate pillars at the entrance to lands from the car park. The committee are in regular contact with the parties concerned. The remaining works of restoring the surface in the parking area and getting a drainage pipe laid to take water away are still high on the agenda. The committee wish to thank the Council staff, the Engineer, the F.A.S. team, the Landowner and Councillor Dónal Burke for their help to date.

McAuley Conference. Thursday, 5th and Friday, 6th May 2016. 'ECOLOGICAL EDUCATION, POLICY AND SPIRITUALITY: CARING FOR OUR COMMON HOME'. Mary Immaculate College, Limerick. This year the McAuley Conference will explore some of the key concerns of Laudato Si in an inter-disciplinary context, drawing on the expertise of environmental scientist, philosophers, theologians, teachers, policy makers and practitioners. It will be of particular interest to teachers and anyone concerned about environmental protection. For further information, please contact Ms. Deirdre Franklin at 061 204507 or email address: deirdre.franklin@mic.ul.ie The conference website link is <http://www.mic.ul.ie/academicdepts/theology/Pages/McAuley%20Conference.aspx>

Kilconnell Art Group and Rainbow Services, Deerpark will launch their annual 'Bealtaine' Art Exhibition in the Church Gallery of the New Library on Tuesday May 3rd at 5pm. All are welcome, refreshments will be served.

Lisa Stack is a Galway based jewellery designer with an exhibition of Roald Dahl themed cushions and book bags at Ballinasloe Library from April 29th for 3 weeks.

Do you want to learn computer skills/improve your employment prospects? Training is suitable for beginners and advanced users and is open to everybody – QQI (FETAC) certified. Eligible participants may be entitled to receive a training allowance from GRETB, childcare & travel allowance is also available. Contact Patricia or Lynne at South East Galway IRD Ltd. LTI, Portumna. 090-9759092

See notice in church porch about Flower & Garden Club meeting on Wednesday May 11th.