

Lawrencetown & Kiltormer

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Trinity Sunday - 22 May 2016

Masses:	K. Saturday:	8:00 p.m.	Paddy, Mai, Bernie and Celia Guinan
	L. Sunday:	11:30 a.m.	Frank, Josie and Tommy Hynes
	L. Monday:	7:00 p.m.	Private intention.
	K. Tuesday:	7:00 p.m.	Private intention.
	L. Wednesday:	9:00 a.m.	For the people of the parish
	K. Thursday:	6:00 p.m.	Tommie Glynn
	L. Friday:	7:00 p.m.	Bill Pardy
	L. Saturday:	11:30 a.m.	First Holy Communion Mass
	K. Saturday:	8:00 p.m.	John and Catherine Lynch & dec. members of Lynch family
	L. Sunday:	11:30 a.m.	Kieran O'Shea

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.

Congratulations to: Oisín Donnelly, Ryan Howard, Ruth Kilkenny and Darragh Quinn-Moloney from Lawrencetown school who will receive Holy Communion for the first time next Saturday. Our parish community offers you its prayers and best wishes on your happy day and congratulates your parents, family and teachers. May the love of Jesus, which you will experience in a new way, remain with you always. When your parents presented you for Baptism you became part of the community of the Church. They promised to help you to grow in faith and love as a child of God. They held the lighted candle as a sign of this task that was entrusted to them. As you receive your First Holy Communion, our parish will celebrate with you and your parents as you reach another stage in your growth as a child of God. We know that the Lord will reward your parents for the love and care they have shared with you on your journey through life.

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.

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)—Aoife Dolan, (K)—Mary Curley. Eucharistic minister (K)—Mary Muldoon.

Next Sunday is the feast of Corpus Christi – The Body and Blood of Christ. The readings at Mass are Genesis 14:18-20, I Corinthians 11:23-26, Luke 9:11-17.

Thank you for your contributions to the door collection last weekend—€236.92 (L), €154.95 (K), to the church refurbishment collection—€78.87 (L) and to the Priests' Retirement fund collection—€286 (L) (18 envelopes), €500 (K) (28 envelopes).

The Clonfert Annual Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes under the leadership of Bishop Kirby takes place from Tuesday, 23rd August to Sunday 28th August 2016. The fully inclusive fare is €695. 24-hour medical care is provided for the sick. Booking is at Society Travel, Ballinasloe (090) 964 5350.

Year of Mercy: Pope Francis said: " 'For his mercy endures forever.' This is the refrain repeated after each verse in Psalm 136 as it narrates the history of God's revelation. By virtue of mercy, all the events of the Old Testament are replete with profound salvific import. Mercy renders God's history with Israel a history of salvation. To repeat continually 'for his mercy endures forever,' as the psalm does, seems to break through the dimensions of space and time, inserting everything into the eternal mystery of love. It is as if to say that not only in history, but for all eternity man will always be under the merciful gaze of the Father. It is no accident that the people of Israel wanted to include this psalm – the 'Great Hallel,' as it is called – in its most important liturgical feast days."

We offer our deepest sympathy to Breda Glynn an Anne Gately and their families on the death of their mother Margaret Costello, and also to Ted O'Leary and his family on the death of his brother-in-law David Sheahan. Please pray for the happy repose of their souls. May they rest in peace. Margaret Costello's funeral Mass is in Clontuskert church today (Sunday) at 12:00 noon.

Clonfert diocesan pilgrimage to Knock is today (Sunday). The Sacrament of the Sick is at 2.30 p.m. and Mass at 3.00 p.m. followed by the Rosary Procession. As many people as possible should go on pilgrimage to the shrine of Our Lady on this special day for the diocese.

eWTN TV (Sky #589). Programmes this week include Children's programmes at 3:30 p.m. with *The Workers in the Vineyard* on Monday, *Frere da la Salle* on Tuesday, *The Glorious Mysteries* on Wednesday, *Children of the Eucharist* on Thursday and *The Way of the Cross for Kids* on Friday and *The Annunciation* on Saturday at 8:30 a.m. *The Choices We Face* is today (Sunday) at 9:30 a.m. *Angelus 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. *Door of Faith* is today at 8:00 p.m. and Tuesday at 2:30 p.m. *Forgotten Heritage: Sacre Coeur, Paris* is on Monday at 8:30 a.m. and 8:00 p.m. *The Fount of Mercy* is on Monday at 2:00 p.m. *The Legion of Mary* is on Monday at 2:30 p.m. and Wednesday at 8:30 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 on 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. *You Have Not Chosen Me* is on Tuesday at 10:30 p.m. and Friday at 7:00 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 Thursday at 6:00 a.m. and Saturday at 4:00 p.m. *Corpus Christi Mass with Pope Francis* is on Thursday at 6:00 p.m.

Ballinasloe & District Lough Derg Jubilee of Mercy Pilgrimage, Fri. 10th June - Sun 12th June 2016. For further information / booking of bus places please contact Fr. Bernie Costello 087 239 6208 or John Coughlan 086 860 0987. Total cost per person (return bus & stay on Station Island) €100.00.

The Irish College in Rome will present a course for parishioners in the college this year from 5th to 9th September. The course will provide participants with an opportunity to experience Rome, deepen their theological awareness of the theme of Mercy and enjoy a time of guided reflection and prayer together during this extraordinary Jubilee Year. See flyers in church porch or visit www.irishcollege.org

Kiltormer GAA Club Lotto: Last week's numbers: 3, 4, 7, 29. No jackpot winner. Lucky dip: Frances Curley, Mary Guinan, Katie Dolphin, Mick McGivern, Mark & Kevin McKeigue. Seller's prize: Fahy's Shop. House prize: Marian Kelly. The draw this Saturday for €18,900 is in Mother's Bar.

Lawrencetown has once again been entered in the National Tidy Towns competition and judging will continue right up to the end of August. Everyone is asked to get involved this year just as they did in the recent clean-up which was a great success and thanks to all who helped. We must keep the area free of litter, if people intend to paint their properties please do so as soon as possible and plant more flowers than ever especially window boxes & hanging baskets. Gates, hedges, walls & fences also need attention

Six km Fun Run takes place on Sun 29th May at 11 a.m. from Kiltormer school. Registration from 10 a.m. €10 for adults, €5 for u-16's, €20 per family. Please support. All proceeds towards Kiltormer N.S. Parents Association

Bealtaine Festival Friday 27th May on Social Service Centre Eyrecourt entertainment by local musicians of all ages at 9pm. All welcome. Art Exhibition on Sat. 28th in social Service Centre Cheese and Wine Reception at 9pm organised by Active Retirement.

Midland Warmer Homes in conjunction with the Sustainability Energy Authority are running a Warmer Homes Scheme. This project will be FREE to individuals who are in receipt of either Fuel Allowance or Family Income Supplement (FIS) or Jobseeker's Allowance (for more than 6 months with a child/ren under 7) or One Parent Family Payment, are a private home owner and the house was built before 2006. Only homes that have NOT received works can apply for this project. If you are interested please contact us on 6488292 for an application form.

Seeing Your Life through the Lens of the Gospels

1. Wisdom about life comes slowly and sometimes painfully. Hearing the 'right' answer at the 'wrong' time does not help us. We need to be ready and open to receiving the truth if it is to have any impact. Perhaps you can recall some occasions when it was the 'right' time for you to learn a truth about life. Remember your experiences of growing in understanding and truth.
2. Perhaps the Spirit guided you through the words of someone close to you, or through the words and actions of people you read about or saw on TV. Or maybe understanding came to you when praying or reflecting on your life. Remember and give thanks for the people who have helped you to greater wisdom on your journey through life.
3. Wisdom is handed on from person to person, and from generation to generation, within families, within communities, etc. Are there any particular gems of wisdom that you cherish from what has been handed on to you?
(by John Byrne osa in Intercom)