

# Lawrencetown & Kiltormer

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## Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time - 26 June 2016

<b>Masses:</b>	K. Saturday:	8:00 p.m.	John P. Curley
	L. Sunday:	11:30 a.m.	Private intention.
	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.	Margaret and Martin Kennedy
	L. Friday:	7:00 p.m.	Michael Heffernan
	K. Friday:	8:00 p.m.	Private intention.
	K. Saturday:	8:00 p.m.	Joe and Mary Finnerty
	L. Sunday:	11:30 a.m.	Johnnie and Kathleen Rogers

**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 in July. 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)-Marie Dolphin, (K)-Ailish Glynn. Eucharistic minister (K)-Mary Muldoon. Altar Ladies for July (K)—Phyllis Ryan and Helen Kilkenny. Door collector for July (K)—Kay Tierney.

Parish workers in Lawrencetown for July: Sincere thanks to all who help so generously.

Altar Society:	Martina McDonagh & Kathleen Callanan
Door Collectors:	Sunday: Michael Callanan & Paddy Naughton
Eucharistic Minister:	Sunday: A.N. Other

Next Sunday is the fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time. The readings at Mass are Isaiah 66:10-14, Galatians 6:14-18, Luke 10:1-12.17-20.

Thank you for your contributions to the door collection last weekend—€313.77 (L), €226.00 (K), to the church refurbishment collection—€40.34 (L), to the Priests' Retirement fund collection—€401 (L) (21 envelopes), €500 (K) (28 envelopes) and to the Summer Priests' Salaries collection—€1,330 (L) (38 envelopes), 1,050 (K) (31 envelopes).

Year of Mercy: Pope Francis said: "From another parable, we cull an important teaching for our Christian lives. In reply to Peter's question about how many times it is necessary to forgive, Jesus says: "I do not say seven times, but seventy times seventy times" (Mt 18:22). He then goes on to tell the parable of the "ruthless servant," who, called by his master to return a huge amount, begs him on his knees for mercy. His master cancels his debt. But he then meets a fellow servant who owes him a few cents and who in turn begs on his knees for mercy, but the first servant refuses his request and throws him into jail. When the master hears of the matter, he becomes infuriated and, summoning the first servant back to him, says, "Should not you have had mercy on your fellow servant, as I had mercy on you?" (Mt 18:33). Jesus concludes, "So also my heavenly Father will do to every one of you, if you do not forgive your brother from your heart" (Mt 18:35)."

Mass will be celebrated in the Kiltormer Old Cemetery on Friday July 15<sup>th</sup> at 8.00 p.m. Please tell people who have left the parish and might like to return for this Mass.

The Clonfert Annual Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes under the leadership of Bishop Kirby takes place from Tuesday, 23<sup>rd</sup> August to Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> 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.

Congratulations to Fiona Hynes on her recent marriage to John Meade. We wish them every blessing and many happy, healthy years together.

eWTVN TV (Sky #589). Programmes this week include Children's programmes at 3:30 p.m. with *The Friar: House Built on Rock* on Monday, *The Glorious Mysteries* on Tuesday, *John Paul II: Be Not Afraid* on Wednesday, *The Mysteries of Light* on Thursday, *The Way of the Cross for Kids* on Friday and *My Time with Jesus: The Blessed Virgin Mary* on Saturday at 8:30 a.m. *Pope Francis: Journey to Armenia* is today (Sunday) at 7:00 a.m. and 11:00 p.m. *The Choices We Face* is today at 9:30 a.m. and Thursday at 2:00 p.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. *Door of Faith* is today at 8:00 p.m. and Tuesday at 2:30 p.m. *Forgotten Heritage: Knock* 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. 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 on Monday at 9:30 p.m. *Defending Life* is on Monday at 10:30 p.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. *Light from Light* is on Tuesday at 10:30 p.m. and Friday at 7:00 a.m. *Holy Mass with Pope Francis* is on Wednesday at 8:30 a.m. and 11:00 p.m. *Angelus with Pope Francis* is on Wednesday at 11:00 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. *First Saturday Devotion* is on Saturday at 2:00 p.m. *Religious Freedom World Report* is on Saturday at 8:00 p.m.

In a letter from Fr Frank McGrath who made the Mission Appeal here last March, he said 'On behalf of the Mission Awareness Team of the Society of African Missions, I wish to express our gratitude to you for your kindness and hospitality when we visited your parish and also to thank your parishioners for their generous support of our missionary work. We realised the sum of €480. May the Lord continue to bless you and the kind people of the parish for their generosity.'

Kiltormer GAA Club Lotto: Last week's numbers: 12, 22, 23, 30. No jackpot winner. Lucky dip: Jimmy Donnellan, Savina Tierney, Susan Kenny, Maura Farrell, Noel Harney. Seller's prize: Martin O'Grady. House prize: Geraldine Fahy. The draw this Saturday for €3,200 is in Pardy's Bar.

Doctor on call for emergencies on Sat 25<sup>th</sup> & Sun 26<sup>th</sup>: Marina House Medical Centre ☎ 087 2030217; Fri night 1<sup>st</sup> July until Sat 2<sup>nd</sup> at 9:30 a.m.: Dr. Mary B. Murphy ☎ 086 2533063; Sat 2<sup>nd</sup> from 9:30 a.m. & Sun 3<sup>rd</sup>: Dunlo Medical Centre ☎ 087 6254783.

Community Hall Paint & Clean-Up Event - Lawrencetown Community Development Group is arranging a Community Paint and Clean-Up of the Community Hall on FRIDAY EVENING 1st JULY from 7-9PM (painting preparation work and cleaning) and SATURDAY MORNING 2nd JULY from 9AM (painting the hall in full). All paint supplied. Some cleaning and painting equipment will be provided also. Please feel free to bring your own e.g. unwanted painting utensils or items that may help in the event like old sheets for coverage, extension poles etc. All the community of all ages are welcome to join part or all of the event - any help at anytime is welcome. Young children are very welcome on the Friday evening however Saturday's work will not be suitable. Any queries please call Loraine 087-7646530, Brian 087-6328793 or Ger 086-3807885

On Saturday & Sunday July 9<sup>th</sup> & 10<sup>th</sup> the loose money in the Offertory Collection will go to ACCORD which is an agency of the Catholic Church providing a nationwide service to couples preparing for or seeking a deeper commitment within the Sacrament of Marriage. It is committed to providing a quality service. ACCORD is situated in The Family Centre, Brackernagh, Ballinasloe.

Weapons display and war gaming in Aughrim on Saturday 16th and Sunday 17th July from 11 a.m.

### Musings

'I will follow you wherever you go.' (Lk 9:57)

Does this Gospel want to sell what is on offer? It reads like a very poor advertisement. 'Come join our faith and suffer!' We all know what going Jerusalem meant for him. See the film 'The Passion of Christ' and you'll be under no illusions. There was determination in his step. He didn't take a shortcut but went through Samaria. Samaritans and Jews were not friends (to put it mildly!). Even Jesus' hand of friendship was refused. All this points to the fact, that the cost of being a disciple of Jesus has a price. It can be lonely. We cannot let sentiment and emotions get in the way of the work to be done. We have to prioritise. There is no place for making excuses when the going gets tough. There are crucial, vital moments in life. We should act when our hearts are stirred. This is what Jesus is doing as he determinately and resolutely moves to Jerusalem. He is not looking back but forward to the task at hand. It is not an easy journey. As someone once said, it is like taking up three crosses. The first is the cross of inconvenience. The second is the cross of witness. And the third is the cross of martyrdom.

(by Fr. Iomar Daniels, Leitrim, Loughrea in Intercom)