

# Lawrencetown & Kiltormer

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## Twenty-sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time - 25 September 2016

<b>Masses:</b>	K. Saturday:	8:00 p.m.	Seamus, Marty, Gabrielle and Margaret Lowry
	L. Sunday:	11:30 a.m.	Bridie Whyte
	L. Monday:	7:00 p.m.	Brendan Madden
	K. Tuesday:	7:00 p.m.	Deceased members of the Doorly family
	L. Wednesday:	No Mass	
	K. Thursday:	No Mass	
	L. Friday:	No Mass	
	K. Saturday:	8:00 p.m.	Sean Glynn
	L. Sunday:	11:30 a.m.	Eugene Nee

**Confessions:** On request.

**Hearing Aid** 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.

I will be away in Medjugorje from next Wednesday until Wednesday week (October 5<sup>th</sup>). If you need a priest, call Ballinasloe presbytery (964 3916) or a priest from a neighbouring parish.

Mass servers this week: Kiltormer—Amy Rocke, Adam Rocke, Amanda Brien; Lawrencetown—Mark Kilkenny, Ruth Kilkenny. Next week: Leah's and Claire's groups. Readers next weekend (L)—Corrina Goode, (K)—Mary Fahy. Eucharistic minister (K)—Ailish Glynn. Altar Ladies for October (K)—Dene Curley and Carmel Nevin. Door collector for October (K)—Kay Tierney.

Parish workers in Lawrencetown for October: Sincere thanks to all who help out in the parish.

Altar Society		Marie Downey and Eileen Tully
Door Collectors:	Sunday:	Jimmy Martin and A.N. Other
Eucharistic Ministers:	Sunday:	Mattie Curley

October is fast approaching and the Stations are in Lawrencetown this time. If it is your turn to have the Station, please get in touch with me to arrange a date – not Saturdays, Sundays or first Fridays. I will be away from October 1<sup>st</sup> to 5<sup>th</sup>. The Stations may continue after the end of October if necessary.

Next Sunday is the twenty-seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time. The readings at Mass are Habakkuk 1:2-3; 2:2-4, II Timothy 1:6-8.13-14, Luke 17:5-10.

Thank you for your contributions to the door collection last weekend—€299.91 (L), €165 (K), to the church refurbishment collection—€73.79 (L) and to the Autumn (priests' salaries) collection—€540 (13 envelopes) (L), €612 (18 envelopes) (K).

**Year of Mercy:** Pope Francis said: "In this Holy Year, we look forward to the experience of opening our hearts to those living on the outermost fringes of society: fringes modern society itself creates. How many uncertain and painful situations there are in the world today! How many are the wounds borne by the flesh of those who have no voice because their cry is muffled and drowned out by the indifference of the rich! During this Jubilee, the Church will be called even more to heal these wounds, to assuage them with the oil of consolation, to bind them with mercy and cure them with solidarity and vigilant care. Let us not fall into humiliating indifference or a monotonous routine that prevents us from discovering what is new! Let us ward off destructive cynicism! Let us open our eyes and see the misery of the world, the wounds of our brothers and sisters who are denied their dignity, and let us recognize that we are compelled to heed their cry for help! May we reach out to them and support them so they can feel the warmth of our presence, our friendship, and our fraternity! May their cry become our own, and together may we break down the barriers of indifference that too often reign supreme and mask our hypocrisy and egoism!"

Congratulations to Donie Pardy on his recent marriage to Juliette Harris. We wish them every blessing and many happy, healthy years together.

We offer our deepest sympathy to Tommy Harte and his family on the death of his sister-in-law Eileen Harte (New Zealand). Please pray for the happy repose of her soul. May she rest in peace

**EWTVN TV (Sky #589).** Programmes this week include Children's programmes at 3:30 p.m. with *The Joyful Mysteries* on Monday, *The Sorrowful Mysteries* on Tuesday, *It's Great to be Alive* on Wednesday, *St. Patrick* on Thursday and *The Way of the Cross for Kids* on Friday. *Web of Faith* is today (Sunday) at 6:00 a.m. and Monday at 5:00 p.m. *The Choices We Face* is today at 9:30 a.m. and Thursday at 2:00 p.m. *Angelus with Pope Francis* is today at 11:00 a.m. *Defending Life* is today at 3:30 p.m. and Monday at 10:30 p.m. *Story of Walsingham* is today at 4:00 p.m., Thursday at 9:00 a.m. and Saturday at 7:00 p.m. *Catholic View for Women* is on Monday at 8:00 a.m. and Friday at 7:00 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. *The Empowered Family* is on Monday at 2:30 p.m. and Wednesday at 8:30 p.m. A series: *Women of Grace* is on Monday to Friday at 4:30 p.m. *St. Luke's Gospel* is Monday at 9:30 p.m. and Wednesday at 5:00 p.m. *How to Pray for your Sons & Daughters & Loved Ones* is on Tuesday at 7:00 a.m. and Wednesday at 8:00 p.m. *Catholicism* is on Tuesday at 11:00 a.m. *Discerning the Will of God* is on Tuesday at 2:00 p.m. *Door of Faith* is on Tuesday at 2:30 p.m. *Living Right with Dr. Ray* is on Tuesday at 9:30 p.m. *Light from Light* 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. *Paul VI, the Misunderstood Pope* is on Wednesday at 11:0 a.m. and Saturday at 9:30 p.m. *Father Spitzer's Universe* is Wednesday at 7:00 p.m. and Thursday at 6:00 a.m. *Our Lady of Knock* is on Saturday at 7:00 a.m. *First Saturday Devotion* is on Saturday at 2:00 p.m.

Restore your soul this Autumn at Knock Shrine with a new series of faith renewal events! Take time-out to lift your spirit and deepen your faith with workshops, retreats and more to reflect, discuss and engage. 'Quiet Days for Busy People', one-day retreats for spiritual renewal, returns on Saturday October 1<sup>st</sup>. A 12-week evening course on Adult Catechism Studies begins on 29<sup>th</sup> September. See the full programme of Faith Renewal events at [www.knockshrine.ie/faithrenewal](http://www.knockshrine.ie/faithrenewal) or to book your place contact: [faithrenewal@knockshrine.ie](mailto:faithrenewal@knockshrine.ie) or phone (094) 93 88100.

Doctor on call for emergencies on Sat 24<sup>th</sup> Sept & Sun 25<sup>th</sup>: Dr. David Ross ☎ 087 6623308; Fri night 30<sup>th</sup> Sept until Sat 1<sup>st</sup> Oct at 12:30 p.m.: Dunlo Medical Centre ☎ 087 6254783; Sat 1<sup>st</sup> Oct & Sun 2<sup>nd</sup>: Dr. Mary B. Murphy ☎ 086 2533063, 9685714, 9685645.

Kiltormer GAA Club Lotto: Last week's numbers: 29, 21, 12, 16. No jackpot winner. Lucky dip: Martin O'Grady; Joseph McEvoy; Claire/Cathal/Darragh Glynn; Michael Finnerty (B'sloe); Cathal Larkin. Seller's prize: P.J. Casey. House prize: Gerry Horan. Draw this Sat. for €5,500 is in Pardy's Bar.

Next Thursday the Irish Workhouse Centre have a very special day planned. Firstly, history and genealogy experts from the Irish Family History Centre and Find My Past are visiting (12-5pm, September 29<sup>th</sup>) to help people trace their ancestors. For more see <https://irishfamilyhistorycentre.com/event/free-family-history-day-portumna-irish-workhouse-centre> Secondly, there will be a talk by Declan Brady at 1:30pm titled 'Researching your ancestors in the Irish Revolution'. Declan is an outstanding historian and genealogist who specialises in family, social and political history in the nineteenth and twentieth centuries. He holds an MA in Irish History from the University in Maynooth and is also a qualified genealogist (Dip in Family History, ICM). Finally, the Workhouse are providing free tours every hour on the hour to all of you so we can share the progress we have made in 2016, discuss our plans for 2017, and to thank you all for the support received throughout the year.

Do you like to sing? Something to sing About (cancer survivors choir) invites you join us. If you would like more information contact, 087249284. No auditions.

As Vacancies in Killimor - if you are Aged 25+ and in receipt of a Social Welfare payment for 12 months please contact Anne Reilly at the Heritage Centre on 9676565 or [killimortfq@eircom.net](mailto:killimortfq@eircom.net).

Soapbox 2016: Entries now being taken for the annual Europe Direct Soapbox public speaking competition at Ballinasloe Library on September 30<sup>th</sup>. iPads to be won. Details and entry forms on [www.europedirect.ie](http://www.europedirect.ie)

### Seeing Your Life through the Lens of the Gospels

1. The first of the faults attributed to the rich man is his insensitivity to the abject poverty of those around him. When have you discovered that it is when you are aware of the needs of those around you and seek to make some response that you bring out the best in yourself?
2. The second fault attributed to the rich man is the way he ignored the word of God coming through Moses and the prophets. How have the gospels, the scriptures or your faith opened you up to a deeper and more satisfying perspective on life?
3. Some people look to the spectacular for a sign of God's presence and action. For Jesus, the lessons we need are not to be sought in the spectacular, but in the ordinary things of everyday life. Where have you found sacraments of God's presence in the world around you? (by John Byrne osa in Intercom)