

Lawrencetown & Kiltormer

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Twenty-seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time - 2 October 2016

Masses:	K. Saturday:	8:00 p.m.	Sean Glynn
	L. Sunday:	11:30 a.m.	Eugene Nee
	L. Monday:	No Mass	
	K. Tuesday:	No Mass	
	L. Wednesday:	No Mass	
	K. Thursday:	6:00 p.m.	Josephine Guinan – Birthday Remembrance
	L. Friday:	7:00 p.m.	For the people of the parish
	K. Friday:	8:00 p.m.	Private intention.
	K. Saturday:	8:00 p.m.	Frances Greaney
	L. Sunday:	11:30 a.m.	Private intention.

Confessions: Saturday, 12:00 noon to 1:00 p.m. (K).

 An Induction Loop System has been provided in Lawrencetown church to assist Hearing Aid Users. Please switch your Hearing Aid to the 'T' position.

Next Friday is the first Friday of October. First Friday Holy Communion calls will, begin as usual at 9.30 a.m.

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–Leah Campbell, Sophie Flynn; Lawrencetown–Claire Whyte, Caoimhe Craughwell. Next week: Joseph's and Emily's groups. Readers next weekend (L)–Cathal Whyte, (K)–Ailish Glynn. Eucharistic minister (K)–Mary Fahy.

I will be in Medjugorje until next Wednesday evening. If you need a priest, call Ballinasloe presbytery (964 3916) or a priest from a neighbouring parish.

Thank you for your contributions to the door collection last weekend–€127.50 (L), €217 (K), to the church refurbishment collection–€91.50 (L) and to the Autumn (priests' salaries) collection–€877 (24 envelopes) (L), €672 (20 envelopes) (K).

Next Sunday is the twenty-eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time. The readings at Mass are II Kings 5:14-17, II Timothy 2:8-13, Luke 17:11-19.

We are once again celebrating the Mission Month of October. Mission Month gives us all the opportunity to reflect on our baptismal call to bring Christ to others, which is a privilege in itself. The gift we have been given, we are asked to give. Our gift to the world is the joy of the Gospel and our Irish missionaries continue to bring the Good News to people throughout the world. World Missions Ireland, the working title of the four Pontifical mission societies, organises the Mission Sunday collection in all Churches nationwide. Mission Sunday falls on the 23rd October. Our theme is 'Every Christian is a Missionary'. We can all do our part in an open, joyful and generous way. For further information on WMI or to make a donation please visit www.wmi.ie

Year of Mercy: Pope Francis said: "It is my burning desire that, during this Jubilee, the Christian people may reflect on the *corporal and spiritual works of mercy*. It will be a way to reawaken our conscience, too often grown dull in the face of poverty. And let us enter more deeply into the heart of the Gospel where the poor have a special experience of God's mercy. Jesus introduces us to these works of mercy in his preaching so that we can know whether or not we are living as his disciples. Let us rediscover these *corporal works of mercy*: to feed the hungry, give drink to the thirsty, clothe the naked, welcome the stranger, heal the sick, visit the imprisoned, and bury the dead. And let us not forget the *spiritual works of mercy*: to counsel the doubtful, instruct the ignorant, admonish sinners, comfort the afflicted, forgive offences, bear patiently those who do us ill, and pray for the living and the dead."

Doctor on call for emergencies on Sat 1st Oct & Sun 2nd: Dr. Mary B. Murphy ☎ 086 2533063, 09685714, 9685645.; Fri night 7th Oct until Sat 8th at 12:30 p.m.: Dr. Niall McGauran ☎ 087 2616412; Sat 8th from 12:30 p.m. & Sun 9th: Marina House Medical Centre ☎ 087 2030217.

Please pray for the happy repose of the souls of Patrick (Pa) Murray (Oghilmore) and Jim Gallagher (former Garda in Kiltormer). May they rest in peace.

The Prayer Intentions of Pope Francis for October 2016 are: **Universal intention:** Journalists – That journalists, in carrying out their work, may always be motivated by respect for truth and a strong sense of ethics. **For evangelization:** World Mission Day – That World Mission Day may renew within all Christian communities the joy of the Gospel and the responsibility to announce it.

eWTN TV (Sky #589). Programmes this week include Children's programmes at 3:30 p.m. with *The Friar: The Wedding Feast* on Monday, *The Sorrowful Mysteries* on Tuesday, *The Chimes* on Wednesday, *St. Francis of Assisi* on Thursday, *The Way of the Cross for Kids* on Friday and *Worldwide Children's Holy Hour* at 8:00 a.m. on Saturday. *Web of Faith* is today 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. *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. *Catholic View for Women* is on Monday at 8:00 a.m. and Friday at 7:00 p.m. *Forgotten Heritage: Lanciano* is on Monday at 8:30 a.m. and 8:00 p.m. Programmes on *St. Francis of Assisi* are on Monday at 11:30 a.m. and 9:00 p.m. and Tuesday at 8:00 a.m., 11:00 a.m. and 9:00 p.m. *The Fount of Mercy* is on Monday at 2:00 p.m. *Mary's Meals* is 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 on Monday at 9:30 p.m. and Wednesday at 5:00 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. *Papal Audience* is on Wednesday at 8:50 a.m. *Father Spitzer's Universe* is Wednesday at 7:00 p.m., Thursday at 6:00 a.m. and Saturday at 4:00 p.m. *Discerning the Will of God* is on Saturday at 5:00 p.m.

Kiltormer GAA Club Lotto: Last week's numbers: 16, 29, 30, 32. No jackpot winner. Lucky dip: Tony McKeigue, Myra Colohan, Ella & Freya Guinan, Donie Campbell, Mattie & Co. Seller's prize: Tony Larkin. House prize: Benny Kenny. The draw this Saturday for €5,600 is in The Hill Bar.

Centering Prayer also known as Prayer of the Heart is based on the wisdom saying of Jesus in the Sermon on the Mount. "When you Pray, go into your inner room, close the door, and pray to your Father in secret and your Father who sees in secret will reward you." (Matt 6:6) It is not meant to replace other kinds of prayer; rather it casts new light and depth of meaning on all types of prayer. Centering Prayer is at the same time a relationship with God and a discipline to foster that relationship. It is a movement beyond conversation with Christ to communion with Him and prepares us for the Gift of contemplation. The source of Centering prayer, as in all methods leading to Christian Contemplative prayer, is growing in Relationship with the Indwelling Blessed Trinity: Father, Son and Holy Spirit. The focus of Centering Prayer is the deepening of our Relationship with the Living Christ within us leading to personal transformation, as we respond to Jesus inviting us to: "Remain in My Love". (John 15:9) Anyone who would like to know more about this method of Prayer is invited to An Introduction to Centering Prayer in the Family Centre, Brackernagh, Ballinasloe on Saturday October 15th from 2.00 pm. to 4.30 p.m. Details are on the Poster in the back of the church.

Seeing Your Life through the Lens of the Gospels

1. Faith can move mountains. Well, it can certainly get us moving. Recall a time when you were full of self-doubt, scepticism about a project, or lacking trust in God. What was that like? Contrast this with times when you believed in yourself, or in the value of a project you had undertaken, or when your faith and trust in God was strong. What kind of faith have you found that enriched your life?
2. Faith is like a mustard seed: small; and sometimes we may be tempted to wait till our faith grows. Part of the message in the gospel is to use the faith we have, even though it may be small. That is how we grow in belief in ourselves and in God's presence in our lives. Does your experience back up this?
3. It is nice when what we do is recognised and acknowledged, but the desire for recognition leaves us vulnerable. It is not always forthcoming. It can be helpful if our main motivation in doing something is the value of the action itself. Have you experienced this?
4. Love is a free gift. What is given lovingly is not given because of a claim. What is your experience of the freedom of love given and received? (by John Byrne osa in Intercom)

Message of Our Lady to the parish of Medjugorje and to the world:

September 25, 2016: "Dear children! Today, I am calling you to prayer. May prayer be life to you. Only in this way will your heart be filled with peace and joy. God will be near you and you will feel Him in your heart as a friend. You will speak with Him as with someone whom you know and, little children, you will have a need to witness, because Jesus will be in your heart and you, united in Him. I am with you and love all of you with my motherly love. Thank you for having responded to my call." © Informativni centar "Mir" Medjugorje www.medjugorje.hr