

Lawrencetown & Kiltormer

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Thirty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time - 13 November 2016

Masses:	K. Saturday:	8:00 p.m.	Martin and Margaret Frehill
	L. Sunday:	11:30 a.m.	Martin and Mary Kate Callanan
	L. Monday:	7:00 p.m.	Deceased members of the Bennett family
	K. Tuesday:	7:00 p.m.	Denis, Paddy and Eamon Egan
	L. Wednesday:	9:00 a.m.	For the people of the parish
	K. Thursday:	6:00 p.m.	November Mass for the Holy Souls
	L. Friday:	7:00 p.m.	Deceased members of the Hobbins family
	K. Saturday:	8:00 p.m.	{Michael Kilkenny (first anniversary) {Deceased members of the Kelly family (Coolagrane)
	L. Sunday:	11:30 a.m.	Jer. and Maggie Lyons and their son Gerard

Confessions: Saturday, 12:00 – 12:45 p.m. in Lawrencetown; 1:00 – 1:45 p.m. in Kiltormer.

 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.

Mass servers this week: Kiltormer–Gearóid Markham, Louis Markham; Lawrencetown–Jessica Mannion, Katie Cahill. Next week: Amy's and Mark's groups. Readers next weekend (L)–Mairead Gately, (K)–Fran Jennings. Eucharistic minister (K)–Ailish Glynn.

October Stations. If you would like to have the Station, in either end of the parish, please get in touch with me to arrange a date – not Saturdays, Sundays or first Fridays. Thanks to those who have arranged their stations. Station dues (€6) and fuel collection (€14) will be taken up at the stations. The station during the coming week is in **heavy print**

Ballymore and Belview **Martin and Annette Naughton** **Monday, Nov. 14 8:00 p.m.**

Next Sunday is the feast of Christ the King. The readings at Mass are II Samuel 5:1-3, Colossians 1:12-20, Luke 22:35-43.

Thank you for your contributions to the door collection last weekend–€320.05 (L), €263 (K), to the church refurbishment collection–€51.24 (L) and to the Missions collection–€286 (35 envelopes) (L), €367 (30 envelopes) (K).

EWTVN TV (Sky #589). Programmes this week include Children's programmes at 3:30 p.m. with *My Little Angels: Original Sin* on Monday, *When Children Adore* on Tuesday, *Michael the Visitor* on Wednesday, *The Mysteries of Light* on Thursday, *The Way of the Cross for Kids* on Friday and *Joseph in Egypt* at 8:30 a.m. on Saturday. *Web of Faith* is today (Sunday) at 6:00 a.m. and Monday at 5:00 p.m. *St. Luke's Gospel* is today at 7:00 a.m. and Monday at 9:30 p.m. *Jubilee Mass for the Homeless* is today at 9:00 a.m. & 10:30 p.m. *The Mystery and Meaning of Marriage* is today at 2:30 p.m. and Wednesday at 8:00 p.m. *Defending Life* is today at 3:30 p.m. and Monday at 10:30 p.m. A series: *A Travel Guide to Heaven* is Sunday to Friday at 9:00 p.m. and Monday to Saturday at 8:00 a.m. *Forgotten Heritage: Walsingham* is on Monday at 8:30 a.m. & 8:00 p.m. *Catholic Grandparents Association* is on Monday at 2:30 p.m. and Saturday at 10:30 p.m. A series: *Women of Grace* is on Monday to Friday at 4:30 p.m. *Decision Point* is on Monday at 7:00 p.m. and Friday at 7:00 a.m. *Divine Wisdom* is on Monday at 7:30 p.m. *Catholics Come Home* is on Monday at 8:30 p.m. and Tuesday at 2:30 p.m. *Discerning the Will of God* is on Tuesday at 7:00 a.m. *Catholicism* is on Tuesday at 11:00 a.m., Wednesday at 8:30 p.m. and Friday at 5:30 p.m. *Living Right with Dr. Ray* is on Tuesday at 9:30 p.m. and Saturday at 4:00 p.m. *Catholic View for Women* is on Tuesday at 10:30 p.m. and Wednesday at 2:30 p.m. *Papal Audience* is on Wednesday at 8:50 a.m. *Called to Communion* is on Wednesday at 11:00 a.m. and Saturday at 8:00 p.m. *Father Spitzer's Universe* is Thursday at 6:00 a.m. & 5:00 p.m. *The Choices We Face* is on Thursday at 2:00 p.m. *The Infant of Prague* is on Saturday at 11:30 a.m.

We offer our deepest sympathy to Valerie Harewood and her family on the death of her brother Gerry Glynn. Please pray for the happy repose of his soul. May he rest in peace.

Year of Mercy: Pope Francis said: "The appeal of the Pharisees to a faithful observance of the law must not prevent attention from being given to matters that touch upon the dignity of the person.

The appeal Jesus makes to the text from the book of the prophet Hosea – 'I desire love and not sacrifice' (6:6) – is important in this regard. Jesus affirms that, from that time onward, the rule of life for his disciples must place mercy at the centre, as Jesus himself demonstrated by sharing meals with sinners. Mercy, once again, is revealed as a fundamental aspect of Jesus' mission. This is truly challenging to his hearers, who would draw the line at a formal respect for the law. Jesus, on the other hand, goes beyond the law; the company he keeps with those the law considers sinners makes us realize the depth of his mercy."

Diocese of Clonfert's Advent Adult Faith Development Gathering: 'Preparing for Christmas with St. Matthew' with Fr. Brendan McConvery CSsR, Scoil an Chroí Naofa, Society St., Ballinasloe, 2.30 - 5.15 pm on Sunday Nov. 27th. All welcome.

Doctor on call for emergencies on Sat 12th Nov. & Sun 13th: Dr. Killian Darcy ☎ 085 1457444; Fri night 18th until Sat 19th at 12:30 p.m.: Dunlo Medical Centre ☎ 087 6254783; Sat 19th from 12:30 p.m. & Sun 20th: Marina House Medical Centre ☎ 087 2030217.

Kiltormer GAA Club Lotto: Last week's numbers: 3, 24, 27, 30. No jackpot winner. Lucky dip: Smith Family, Catherine & Thomas Lynch, Aife Gallagher, Shauna & Jason Broderick, Tony McKeigue. Seller's prize: Andy Fenton. House prize: Bernie Curley. Draw this Saturday for €6,200 is in Pardy's.

Lawrencetown community development group are still trying to arrange Siel Bleu Classes in January 2017. We need a minimum of 20 names signed-up **before next Friday 19th November** to proceed. Would you, your parents or your grandparents have any interest in taking part these classes that aim to improve the quality of life of older adults, through fun and interactive, tailored exercise programmes. Please contact Loraine 087-7646530 to sign up or with any queries you may have.

The Lawrencetown Parent & Toddler Group continues to meet every Monday in The Store (10.30am - 12noon). All welcome.

Bingo in Kiltormer Sports Complex on Thursday 17th November at 8:30 p.m. €1,000 jackpot must be won. Gamble sheet and hamper and usual prizes on the night. Please support.

Family Carers Ireland are holding their annual Church Gate Collection this weekend.

The Sunflowers Chernobyl Appeal. €200 was raised in their Annual Church Gate collection last weekend (November 5th & 6th). Thanks to all who contributed.

Colaiste Néifinn is now enrolling for its 2017 courses. They will run from June 27th -July 7th in Glenamaddy and from 10th -21st July in Athenry. Courses are designed like a normal Gaeltacht College but is much more affordable. Enrolment Eve Thurs 17th Nov @ 6pm in the Raheen Woods Hotel. For more information phone 087 1161573 or visit our website at www.colaiusteneifinn.com

Kiltullagh Community Choir will perform in the Lough Rea Hotel & Spa in Aid of Galway Camogie/Kilrickle Pitch Development next Friday at 8pm. Tickets €10. Raffle on the night. Tickets Duane Foodstore, Kiltullagh or Gerry 0872539798, Marie 0861706726 or Geraldine 0876546818.

RGN required for Portiuncula Hospital, Ballinasloe in connection with CPL Healthcare. For more information please call Catherine 01 4825452/email Catherine.cunningham@cplhealthcare.com

Loughrea Family & Community Resource Centre are hosting an information morning of healthy lifestyle & breast health. Meeting at the Family Resource Centre of Thursday 17th November at 11am for a local walk followed by refreshments'. All Welcome

Not a hair of your head

I remember a cartoon from my childhood. An angel counts the hairs on the head of a child – the figure is already up in the thousands. 'He was always good at maths!' whispers an angelic bystander. It was cute, a lovely image of how intimately God knows and cares for each one of us.

Today's Gospel is not so 'cute'. There is talk of plagues and famines, persecution and imprisonment, betrayal and death, as Jesus alerts his followers to the dangers ahead. It is an intense monologue, and no doubt an upsetting one for his disciples.

But it culminates with a reassuring image. In spite of all this hardship, Jesus promises a reward for our patience and endurance. In fact, he puts it like this: 'Not a hair of your head will be lost.' Though we worry that we may not be strong enough to stand up to opposition, Jesus promises to be with us in times of trial, and to give us 'eloquence and a wisdom' to deal with whatever is thrown at us. That's quite a promise. Do we believe it? If we truly believe that God knows us so intimately that he knows exactly how many hairs we have on our heads, we must believe that he cares enough to give us the strength to face whatever obstacles we encounter. *(from The Deep End by Triona Doherty in Intercom)*