

# Lawrencetown & Kiltormer


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## First Sunday of Advent - 27 November 2016

<b>Masses:</b>	K. Saturday	8:00 p.m.	John and Bridget Lynch (Skycur)
	L. Sunday:	11:30 a.m.	Joe and Babe Dervan
	L. Monday:	7:00 p.m.	November Mass for the Holy Souls
	K. Tuesday:	7:00 p.m.	Deceased members of the Rocke family
	L. Wednesday:	9:00 a.m.	For the people of the parish
	K. Thursday:	6:00 p.m.	Deceased members of the Doorly family
	L. Friday:	7:00 p.m.	Noel Brennan
	K. Friday:	8:00 p.m.	Josephine Guinan
	K. Saturday	8:00 p.m.	Edward and Agnes Geoghegan and their son Edward
	L. Sunday:	11:30 a.m.	Michael and Attracta Dolan

**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.

Next Friday is the first Friday in December. First Friday Holy Communion calls will begin as usual at 9.30 a.m.

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)—Tommy Downey, (K)—Geraldine Curley. Eucharistic minister (K)—Pauline Hanley-Lynch. Altar Ladies for December (K)—Geraldine Curley & Bernie Greaney. Door collector for December (K)—Mary Muldoon

Parish workers in Lawrencetown for December: My sincere thanks to all who help in the parish.

Altar Society:	Patricia Cullinane & Veronica Walsh
Door Collectors:	Sunday: Donald Pardy & Michael Whyte (jnr)
Eucharistic Ministers:	Sunday: Mary Kenny

If you did not attend a station this year, please put €20 (station dues €6 and fuel collection €14) in an envelope with you name and station area and hand it in as soon as possible.

Next Sunday is the second Sunday of Advent. The readings at Mass are Isaiah 11:1-10, Romans 15:4-9, Matthew 3:1-12.

Thank you for your contributions to the door collection last weekend—€162.89 (L), €307 (K), to the church refurbishment collection—€95.06 (L) and to the Missions collection—€286 (35 envelopes) (L), €370 (31 envelopes) (K). If you have not handed in your envelope for the Mission Collection, please do so immediately as I must send the money to the bishop.

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

**Come and Become: Enter Advent with the Holy Spirit.** 3 Advent Sundays at Glenstal Abbey 27th Nov, 11 & 18th Dec. Talks in Monastery Library at 4.30 pm by Fr Luke Macnamara OSB, Tea/Coffee and Vespers 061 621005 / [www.glenstal.org](http://www.glenstal.org)

**Strange Occurrences in a Small Irish Village** DVD available now. The acclaimed feature documentary from the team behind award-winning film 'One Million Dubliners', examines the phenomenon of Knock Shrine, from the testimonies of those that witnessed the Apparition in 1879, to those that play a central role in Knock Shrine and village today. The DVD is now on sale at Knock Shrine Bookshop, Knock Museum and online at [www.knockshrine.ie](http://www.knockshrine.ie). An ideal Christmas gift!

Kiltormer National School Christmas concert on Wed 14th Dec in the complex @7p.m. All welcome. Raffle on the night along with a presentation to Cycle against suicide group by the Ironman Clodagh Glynn fundraiser. Please support.

EWTV TV (Sky #589). Programmes this week include Children's programmes at 3:30 p.m. with *My Little Angels: Baptism* on Monday, *The Sorrowful Mysteries* on Tuesday, *It's Great to be Alive* on Wednesday, *St. Francis Xavier* on Thursday, *The Way of the Cross for Kids* on Friday and *The First Saturdays for Kids* 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. *Advent Reflections* is today at 7:00 a.m. & 10:30 p.m., Tuesday at 7:00 p.m. and Saturday at 2:30 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. *The Mystery and Meaning of Marriage* is today at 2:30 p.m. and Wednesday at 8:00 p.m. *Catholic View for Women* is on Monday at 8:00 a.m., Tuesday at 10:30 p.m. and Wednesday at 2:30 p.m. *Forgotten Heritage: Laus, France* is on Monday at 8:30 a.m. & 8:00 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. *St. Luke's Gospel* is Monday at 9:30 p.m. *Defending Life* is on Monday at 10:30 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. *Promises of the Sacred Heart* is on Tuesday at 11:30 a.m. and Thursday at 7:00 p.m. *Living Right with Dr. Ray* is on Tuesday at 9:30 p.m. and Saturday at 4:00 p.m. *Papal Audience* is on Wednesday at 8:50 a.m. *Father Spitzer's Universe* is Thursday at 6:00 a.m. & 5:00 p.m. and Saturday at 10:00 a.m. *First Saturday Devotion* is on Saturday at 2:00 p.m. *How to Pray for your Sons & Daughters & Loved Ones* is on Saturday at 3:30 p.m.

Youth 2000 invites **young adults** between ages of 16-35 to a Catholic weekend retreat at Newbridge College, Co. Kildare from 16th-18<sup>th</sup> December 2016. **What to expect?** Good fun, excellent speakers, inspiring talks and workshops, prayer, fantastic live music, group activities, Youth Masses, Adoration, a Healing Service, games, lots of time to chill out and meet new people. The weekend is being organised by young people for young people. Parental consent is essential for all those under 18. All meals are provided for and accommodation is on site! **Don't let money be an obstacle;** just bring a donation and a sleeping bag. **Newcomers very welcome!** There will be **free buses** picking up from various areas throughout the country. **Booking is essential.** For more information on the event or to book your place, see [www.youth2000.ie](http://www.youth2000.ie). **Youth 2000 Ireland Facebook page** or **Tel: 00353 (0) 1 6753690**

If you wish to enrol your child in Kiltormer N.S. for Sept 2017, please phone 090-9627109. Enrolment day 21st Feb 2017 @2p.m

Emergency Kiltormer Community Alert Meeting Next Monday 28th of November at 9 pm in the Ink Bottle bar Kiltormer VERY IMPORTANT that residents of kiltormer and surrounding areas to attend. Due to the high number of burglaries in the area. This issue must be dealt with urgently.

Doctor on call for emergencies on Sat 26<sup>th</sup> Nov. & Sun 27<sup>th</sup>: Dr. David Ross ☎ 087 6623308; Fri night 2<sup>nd</sup> Dec. until Sat 3<sup>rd</sup> at 12:30 p.m.: Dunlo Medical Centre ☎ 087 6254783; Sat 3<sup>rd</sup> from 12:30 p.m. & Sun 4<sup>th</sup>: Dr. Andrew Sargaison ☎ 089 4322267.

Kiltormer GAA Club Lotto: Last week's numbers: 13, 6, 24, 32. No jackpot winner. Lucky dip: Dylan & Darren Shaughnessy, Fahy grandchildren, Stacy Broderick, Phil Cahalan, Delia Larkin. Seller's prize: Doreen Glynn. House prize: Siobhan McManus. The draw this Saturday for €6,400 is in The Hill.

Family Carers Ireland would like to thank you most sincerely for your generosity at the recent Church Gate Collection – €80.18 in Kiltormer and €66.65 in Lawrencetown. The proceeds of this collection will be used to provide emergency respite and supports/services for family carers in the local area.

**Do you need a Digital Detox?** Take a day to step away from technology on Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> December from 10am-4pm in the Prayer Guidance Centre, Knock Shrine. A chance to disconnect from the noise of tech and nourish your soul in a quiet, reflective space. Fee €30 includes lunch at Knock House Hotel. To book call (094) 93 75355 or email [faithrenewal@knockshrine.ie](mailto:faithrenewal@knockshrine.ie)

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

1. The 'coming of the Son of Man' can be applied to the end of the world, to the moment of death, or to any moment of grace. We are not given advance notice as to when any of these will happen, so the message is to be alert and ready. When have you found that your alertness meant that you were able to receive an unexpected grace (e.g. take an opportunity which presented itself, or respond to a hint from another person that you might easily have missed, etc.)?

2. One of the enemies of alert living is constant busyness. Have you ever found that being caught up in your own agenda makes you less sensitive to what is happening around you? Recall times when you paused in your relentless busyness and were rewarded by a significant interchange with another person, a moment of grace.

3. You probably know the difference between being ready for a visitor and the unannounced caller who catches you unprepared. Let the memory of the discomfort of being caught off guard spur you on to a constant readiness for the coming of the Lord.  
(by John Byrne osa in Intercom)