

# Lawrencetown & Kiltormer


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## First Sunday of Lent - 5 March 2017

Masses:	K. Saturday	8:00 p.m.	Eileen Markham
	L. Sunday:	11:30 a.m.	Joe Connolly and Winifred & Pat Joe Glynn
	L. Monday:	7:00 p.m.	
	K. Tuesday:	7:00 p.m.	Pat-Joe Fahy
	L. Wednesday:	9:00 a.m.	For the people of the parish
	K. Thursday:	6:00 p.m.	Florrie, John and Willie Coughlan
	L. Friday:	7:00 p.m.	Teresa, Michael, Patrick and Philip Ryan
	K. Saturday	8:00 p.m.	Tommie, Delia and Christy Kilkenny
	L. Sunday:	11:30 a.m.	Phyllis O'Connor

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)–Mark Kilkenny, (K)–Mary Muldoon. Eucharistic minister (K)–Pauline Hanley-Lynch.

Next Sunday is the second Sunday of Lent. The readings at Mass are Genesis 12:1-4, II Timothy 1:8-10, Matthew 17:1-9.

The Prayer Intention of Pope Francis for March 2017 are: **Intention for Evangelization: Help persecuted Christians** – That persecuted Christians may be supported by the prayers and material help of the whole Church.

Lenten Stations: Lent has already begun and it is time to plan for the Lenten Stations. If you would like to have a Station, in either end of the parish, please get in touch with me to arrange the date. Ideally stations should be on or before April 7<sup>th</sup> (Friday before Palm Sunday), but not on Saturdays, Sundays or first Fridays. Stations will normally be at 8.00 p.m.

EWTN TV (Sky #589). Programmes every day include *Holy Mass* at 1:00 p.m., 6:00 p.m. (not Sunday) and 11:00 p.m., *Holy Rosary* at 12:30 p.m. and *Chaplet of Divine Mercy* at 3:00 p.m. Also this week, children's programmes at 3:30 p.m. include *Forgiving Others* on Monday, *When Children Adore* on Tuesday, *Martin the Cobbler* on Wednesday, *The Mysteries of Light* on Thursday, *The Way of the Cross for Kids* on Friday and *Joseph's Reunion* 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. *EWTN Pro-life Weekly* is Sunday at 7:30 a.m. and Monday 7:30 p.m. *The Choices We Face* is Sunday 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. *Lenten Reflections* is today at 3:30 p.m., Monday at 9:30 p.m. and Wednesday at 7:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m. *Thirst for Truth* is today at 4:00 p.m., Thursday at 9:00 a.m. and Saturday at 9:00 p.m. *Catholic View for Women* is Monday at 8:00 a.m., Tuesday at 10:30 p.m. and Wednesday at 2:30 p.m. *Forgotten Heritage: Brown Scapular* is on Monday at 8:30 a.m. and 8:00 p.m. A series: *Women of Grace* is Monday to Friday at 4:30 p.m. *Decision Point* is Monday at 7:00 p.m. and Friday at 7:00 a.m. *Catholics Come Home* is Monday at 8:30 p.m. and Tuesday at 2:30 p.m. A series: *The Four Last Things* is Monday to Friday at 9:00 p.m. and Tuesday at Saturday at 8:00 a.m. *Defending Life* is Monday at 10:30 p.m. *Discerning the Will of God* is Tuesday at 7:00 a.m. *Seven Deadly Sins, Seven Lively Virtues* is Tuesday at 11:00 a.m. and Friday at 5:30 p.m. *Living Right with Dr. Ray* is Tuesday at 9:30 p.m. *Papal Audience* is on Wednesday at 8:50 a.m. *Trustful Surrender to God* is 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. and Saturday at 10:00 a.m. *How to Pray for your Sons & Daughters & Loved Ones* is on Saturday at 3:30 p.m.

We offer our deepest sympathy to Mrs Mary Larkin (Craughwell) and her family on the deaths of her sister-in-law Eileen Tope (nee Larkin) who died in England and her brother-in-law Barney Larkin. Please pray for the happy repose of their souls. May they rest in peace.

We welcome Seán Joseph Daly, baptised last week, into the parish community, and we congratulate his parents Michael and Michelle and big brother and sister Patrick and Emily.

Re-encountering Jesus: All welcome @ Clonfert Diocese's Lenten Adult Faith Development Gathering in Scoil an Chroi Naofa, Society St., Ballinasloe on Sunday March 5th, 2.30 - 5.15 pm. For more info take a brochure from the church porch or see: [www.clonfertdiocese.ie/news](http://www.clonfertdiocese.ie/news)

Thank you for your contributions to the door collection last weekend—€185.50 (L), €235 (K) and to the church refurbishment collection—€71.74 (L).

Pioneer Lenten Challenge! Many people abstain from alcohol and take the Short-Term Pledge for the duration of Lent. Make your Lenten pledge by visiting [www.pioneerassociation.ie](http://www.pioneerassociation.ie) and joining online or by contacting your local Pioneer centre representative. Take this opportunity to help someone you know/love with an alcohol or drug problem by offering up your Lenten sacrifice as a prayer for his or her freedom and well-being. Go for it and make a difference to someone's life!

Young Catholic Adult Conference will take place in the Castlecourt hotel in Westport on 25 March 2017. The event will bring young people from all over Ireland together to celebrate their faith through dynamic talks, group discussion and prayer. Speakers include renowned evangelist Rosemary Swords. The event promises to be a rewarding opportunity to engage with your faith in the company of other young Catholics. The conference fee is €15, and includes lunch and refreshments throughout the day. For further information please call Breda on 087 2747873. All are welcome and we hope you can make it. Find us on [Facebook@catholicyoungadultconference2017](https://www.facebook.com/catholicyoungadultconference2017)

Catholic Grandparents Association hold their 1st Annual Retreat/Conference on 26<sup>th</sup> & 27<sup>th</sup> April in Dominican Retreat Centre, Tallaght Village Dublin 24. THEME - Helping our Children and Grandchildren to know, love and serve God in these highly secularised times. Day only and overnight attendance options available. Inspiring talks, lively discussion - Speakers including Fr. Benny McHale. Contact Connie at 098 24877 or [catholicgrandparents@gmail.com](mailto:catholicgrandparents@gmail.com). See poster & booking form in porch

Doctor on call for emergencies on Sat 4<sup>th</sup> March & Sun 5<sup>th</sup>: Dunlo Medical Centre ☎ 087 6254783; Fri night 10<sup>th</sup> until Sat 11<sup>th</sup> at 12:30 p.m.: Dr. Mary B. Murphy ☎ 086 2533063, 9685714, 9685645; Sat 11<sup>th</sup> from 12.30 p.m. & Sun 12<sup>th</sup>: Dr. Andrew Sargaison ☎ 089 4322267.

Kiltormer GAA Club Lotto: Last week's numbers: 15, 16, 23, 26. No jackpot winner. Lucky dip: P.J. Casey, Patrick Taaffe, Jackie Gilchreest, Mary Muldoon, Paul Glynn. Seller's prize: "Cas". House prize: Corrina Goode. The draw this Saturday for €7,800 is in Pardy's Bar.

talk on mental health/well being for our children-Kiltormer N.S -Mon 6th March @ 8p.m.All welcome.

Clontuskert/Kiltormer Community Alert has now been established on a secure footing, following very generous donations from several local institutions. Signs have been erected; maps have been designed, printed and delivered to every house in the two parishes; safety stickers are being distributed; an extensive phone texting network has been launched. At a meeting of the Clontuskert/Kiltormer Community Alert volunteers on Wednesday last, it was decided that if the operation is to continue successfully, an annual donation of €10 per annum from each household to cover yearly expenses. Therefore, volunteers will call to all Kiltormer and Clontuskert households in the coming weeks, respectfully requesting this very necessary donation.

Galway Night for Syria, Fundraising Social in aid of Syrian Refugees, Thursday 16th March at 8pm in the Clayton Hotel, Galway; Entertainment by Sean Slattery and the Connections; Tickets are 20 euro and are available from the Cathedral Bookshop, Galway

Midland Warmer Homes in conjunction with the Sustainability Energy Authority of Ireland are running a Warmer Homes Scheme. This project will be FREE to individuals who are in receipt of one of the following - Fuel Allowance; or Family Income Supplement (FIS); or Jobseeker's Allowance (for more than 6 months with a child/ren under 7); or One Parent Family Payment; and the person must own their own house and the house was built before 2006. Only homes that have NOT received works can apply for this project. If you are interested please contact us on 090-6488292 for an application form.

Message of Our Lady to the parish of Medjugorje and to the world:  
*February 25, 2017:* "Dear children! Today I am calling you to profoundly live your faith and to implore the Most High to strengthen it, so that winds and storms cannot break it. May the roots of your faith be prayer and hope in eternal life. Already now, little children, work on yourselves in this time of grace, wherein God is giving you the grace – through renunciation and the call to conversion – to be people of clear and persevering faith and hope. Thank you for having responded to my call." © Informativni centar "Mir" Medjugorje [www.medjugorje.hr](http://www.medjugorje.hr)