

# Lawrencetown & Kiltormer


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## Third Sunday of Lent - 19 March 2017

Masses:	K. Saturday	8:00 p.m.	Nora Kilkenny
	L. Sunday:	11:30 a.m.	Deceased members of the Gilmore and Folan families
	L. Monday:	7:00 p.m.	Deceased members of the Bennett family
	K. Tuesday:	7:00 p.m.	Nora and Martin Leahy and dec. members of the Leahy fam.
	L. Wednesday:	9:00 a.m.	For the people of the parish
	K. Thursday:	6:00 p.m.	Paddy and Bridie Kenny
	L. Friday:	7:00 p.m.	Christy Kilkenny (month's mind)
	K. Saturday	8:00 p.m.	Alice McDonagh (first anniversary)
	L. Sunday:	11:30 a.m.	Joe and Margaret Kelly

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—Leah Campbell, Sophie Flynn; Lawrencetown—Claire Whyte, Caoimhe Craughwell. Next week: Joseph's and Emily's groups. Readers next weekend (L)—Emily Hanlon, (K)—Caroline Roche. Eucharistic minister (K)—Margaret Lynch.

Next Sunday is the fourth Sunday of Lent. The readings at Mass are I Samuel 16:1.6-7.10-13, Ephesians 5:8-14, John 9:1-41.

EWTN TV (Sky #589). Programmes every day include *Holy Mass* at 12:00 noon, 6:00 p.m. (not Sunday) and 11:00 p.m., *Holy Rosary* at 1:30 p.m. and *Chaplet of Divine Mercy* at 3:00 p.m. Also this week, children's programmes at 3:30 p.m. include *My Little Angels: Creation* on Monday, *The Sorrowful Mysteries* on Tuesday, *Mother Teresa* on Wednesday, *Odyssey: A Journey Back Home* 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. *EWTN Pro-life Weekly* is today at 7:30 a.m. and Monday 7:30 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. *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: Czestochowa* is on Monday at 8:30 a.m. & 8:00 p.m. A series: *Women of Grace* is Monday to Friday at 4:30 p.m. *Catholics Come Home* is Monday at 8:30 p.m. and Tuesday at 2:30 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., Wednesday at 8:30 p.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. *Father Spitzer's Universe* is Thursday at 6:00 a.m. & 5:00 p.m. and Saturday at 10:00 a.m. *Decision Point* is Friday at 7:00 a.m. *Called to Communion* is Friday at 10:00 a.m. and Saturday at 4:00 p.m. *How to Pray for your Sons & Daughters & Loved Ones* is on Saturday at 3:30 p.m.

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.

Pope Francis has personally chosen Dublin to be the host diocese for the World Meeting of Families from 21-26 August 2018. Planning for this great national and international celebration of faith is well underway. Hosting this important event requires an enormous amount of planning and funding. In this regard a second national collection will be held on the weekend of 1 and 2 April 2017. Your support for this collection would be greatly appreciated.

Congratulations to Colm Finnerty on his marriage last Thursday to Annemarie Donohue and to Michael Pardy on his marriage last Friday to Irene Melody. We wish every blessing and many happy, healthy years together to both couples.

We offer our deepest sympathy to Mary Callagy and her family on the death of her aunt, Nora O'Loughlin, and also to Josie Finnerty and Maisie Frehill and Kitty McKeigue and their families on the death of their brother Thomas Finnerty. Please pray for the happy repose of their souls, and also for the soul of Johnny Dolan late of Kiltormer who worked in the Rural Training Centre (Garden) attached to St Brigid's Hospital, Ballinasloe, and who died in Birr. May the rest in peace.

Centenary celebrations of Fatima 2017. Statue of Our Lady of Fatima blessed recently by Pope Francis will be in Emmanuel House on Wednesday 22nd March at 11.30 am followed by Mass celebrated by Bishop John Kirby at 1 pm. We will also host the statue on Thursday 23rd March at 7 pm. It will be in the in Ss. Peter & Paul's Church, Athlone on Tuesday, 21st March arriving at 6 p.m. for public veneration and confessions. Holy Mass commences at 7 p.m. Consecration of the Homes and Families to the Immaculate Heart of Mary and the Sacred Heart of Jesus and enrolment in the brown scapular will take place at the end of Mass for those who wish to do so. All are welcome in both venues.

Thank you for your contributions to the door collection last weekend—€513.17 (L), €221 (K), to the church refurbishment collection—€96.71 (L) and to the Lenten collection—€421 (L) (27 envelopes), €360 (K) (27 envelopes).

Young Catholic Adult Conference will take place in the Castlecourt hotel in Westport on 25 March 2017. See last week's newsletter

Are you interested in becoming a Facilitator with ACCORD the Diocesan Agency for Marriage and the Family? Would you like to share your positive married experience with engaged couples preparing for their married life together? Training will be provided. Closing date for application forms April 20<sup>th</sup>. Contact: 090 9643573 or Web: <http://www.accord.ie/> for further information.

Eucharistic Loreto Vigil to celebrate the Feast of the Annunciation of the Lord in Knock Shrine on Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> March, 9pm-11pm: Adoration, Benediction & the Veneration of Precious Relic from the Holy House of Loreto. Mass at 11pm Fr Freddie Warner, SMA & Fr. Bernard McGuckian, SJ. Organised by the Apostolate of Atonement for Mercy. For more information contact (094) 93 88100 or email: [info@knock-shrine.ie](mailto:info@knock-shrine.ie)

Doctor on call for emergencies on Sat 18<sup>th</sup> March & Sun 19<sup>th</sup>: Marina House Medical Centre ☎ 087 2030217; Fri night 24<sup>th</sup> until Sat 25<sup>th</sup> at 9:30 a.m.: Marina House Medical Centre; Sat 25<sup>th</sup> from 9:30 a.m. and Sun 26<sup>th</sup>: Dunlo Medical Centre ☎ 087 6254783.

Kiltormer GAA Club Lotto: Last week's numbers: 2, 4, 10, 13. No jackpot winner. Lucky dip: Cathy Glennon, Michael Stapleton, Mairead Rafferty, Clodagh/Eimer/Annette Glynn, Liz Dolan. Seller's prize: Fahy's Shop. House prize: Helena Hopkins. The draw this Saturday for €8,000 is in The Hill.

Cake sale after the 11.30 Mass today (Sunday) in Lawrencetown Community Hall. The hall will be open from 11am for anyone who would like to donate produce for the sale. All monies made will go towards this years Parish Party which will be on Sunday the 2nd of April

Eleven month letting of c5acres of agricultural land owned by Lawrencetown Community Development Company Ltd available. Phone Noel McEvoy auctioneer 087 2660811 for details.

Ballinasloe Musical Society presents "Oliver" in the Town Hall, Ballinasloe next Tuesday to Saturday (March 21<sup>st</sup> – 25<sup>th</sup>) at 8:00 p.m. with a matinee on Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> at 2:00 p.m. Jessica Mannion features in all performances.

Tenders are invited for grass cutting at Clonfert Cemetery. Reply to 087-9766727.

The ConTempo Quartet will perform a lunchtime recital of Haydn's String Quartet Op. 76 no. 6 on Tuesday March 21st, at 1pm in the Church Gallery at Ballinasloe Library. ConTempo will also be joined on this occasion by world-renowned Ballinasloe native classical guitarist John Feeley for a special performance of Boccherini's 'Fandango' for guitar quintet. Admission is free and all are welcome.

Table Quiz fundraiser for Ardscoil Mhuire Parents Association on Friday 31<sup>st</sup> March @ 8:30pm in An Tain Bar, Ballinasloe. Table of 4 €40. Quiz Master, Pat O'Sullivan. Lots of spot prizes on the night. Please support.

Seminar entitled "Caring for Our Common Home" Saturday April 1<sup>st</sup> 10.30am – 4.30pm at An Gáirdín. Nellie McLoughlin and Paul Kingsnorth will facilitate the day. See [www.angairdin.ie](http://www.angairdin.ie) for details. The seminar is grant aided. Lunch is €10. Booking 0872845443 or [angairdin1@gmail.com](mailto:angairdin1@gmail.com)

Portumna Community School are hosting a Fashion Show, on March 23rd, in association with Muirne Goode, (Ladies Day Boutique). Cheese and wine reception at 7.30 pm with show beginning at 8 pm. Tickets are €15 per adult and €12 per student / senior citizen. Tickets are available at from the school, Ladies Day Boutique, All Occasions Boutique and Palmerson's Store on the bridge road.