

Lawrencetown & Kiltormer


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Sixth Sunday of Easter - 21 May 2017

Masses:	K. Saturday:	8:00 p.m.	Brid Lynch
	L. Sunday:	11:30 a.m.	Rafeek Khan (month's mind)
	L. Monday:	7:00 p.m.	
	K. Tuesday:	7:00 p.m.	Karen O'Connor and Mary Brady
	L. Wednesday:	9:00 a.m.	For the people of the parish
	K. Thursday:	6:00 p.m.	Tommie Glynn
	L. Friday:	7:00 p.m.	
	K. Saturday:	8:00 p.m.	Michael and Kitty O'Brien
	L. Sunday:	11:30 a.m.	Frank, Josie and Tommy Hynes

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: Lawrencetown—Emily Hanlon, Alisha Hanlon; Kiltormer—Joseph Freehill, Andrew Hynes, Rebecca Hynes. Next week: Gearóid's and Jessica's groups. Readers next weekend (L)-Jessica Mannion, (K)-Caroline Rocke. Eucharistic minister (K)-Ailish Glynn.

Clonfert diocesan pilgrimage to Knock will be on Sunday May 28th. The Sacrament of the Sick is at 2.30 p.m. and Mass at 3.00 p.m. followed by the Rosary Procession. As many people as possible should go on pilgrimage to the shrine of Our Lady on this special day for the diocese.

Thank you for your contributions to the door collection last weekend—€286.82 (L), €233 (K), to the church refurbishment collection—€67.21 (L), to the Easter (priests' salaries) collection—€2,062 (L) (56 envelopes), €1,376 (K) (45 envelopes). Clonfert Priests' Retirement Fund Collection is now due.

Next Sunday is the feast of the Ascension of the Lord. The readings at Mass are Acts 1:1-11, Ephesians 1:17-23, Matthew 28:16-20.

Please hand in your Trócaire Lenten contribution immediately. If you did not get a Trócaire Box, please take one from the church porch. If you wish to make your donation by cheque, please make the cheque payable to Laurencetown Church or Kiltormer church.

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 *My Time with Jesus: Baptism* on Monday, *When Children Adore* on Tuesday, *The Glorious Mysteries* on Wednesday, *Columbus* on Thursday, *The Way of the Cross for Kids* on Friday and *Daniel* 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. *Prophecy in Song* is today at 7:00 a.m. and Monday at 9:30 p.m. *EWTN Pro-Life Weekly* is today at 7:30 a.m. and Monday at 7:30 p.m. *How to Pray for your Sons & Daughters & Loved Ones* is today at 10:30 a.m. *Regina Caeli with Pope Francis* is today at 11:00 a.m. *Defending Life* is today at 3:30 p.m. and Monday at 10:30 p.m. *The Infant Jesus of Prague* is today at 4:00 p.m., Thursday at 9:00 a.m. and Saturday at 9:00 p.m. *Praying as a Family* is today at 8:00 p.m. and Tuesday at 7:00 a.m. *Catholic View for Women* is on Monday at 8:00 a.m. and Wednesday at 2:30 p.m. & 10:30 p.m. *Forgotten Heritage: St. Francis of Assisi* is on Monday at 8:30 a.m. and 8:00 p.m. *The Jesus Question* is Monday at 10:00 a.m. and Friday at 10:00 p.m. *The Mystery and Meaning of Marriage* is Monday at 11:00 a.m. and Tuesday at 10:30 p.m. A series: *Women of Grace* is Monday to Friday at 4:30 p.m. A series: *Coming to Christ* is Monday to Friday at 9:00 p.m. and Tuesday to Saturday at 8:00 a.m. *Catholics Come Home* is Monday at 10:00 p.m. and Tuesday at 2:30 p.m. *Living Right with Dr. Ray* is on Tuesday at 9:30 p.m. *Papal Audience* is on Wednesday at 8:50 a.m. *My Country, My Faith, Sr. Briege McKenna* is Wednesday at 7:00 p.m. and Saturday at 10:30 p.m. *Father Spitzer's Universe* is on Thursday at 6:00 a.m. & 5:00 p.m. and Saturday at 10:00 a.m. *The Choices We Face* is Thursday at 2:00 p.m. *Called to Communion* is Friday at 10:00 a.m. and Saturday at 4:00 p.m.

We offer our deepest sympathy to Sandra Markham and her family on the death of her mother Ina Murphy. She will be reposing in St. Joseph's Funeral Home, Borrisokane, today (Sunday) from 4:00 to 7:00 p.m. Funeral Mass Monday at 11am in Saint Peters and Paul's Church, Borrisokane. Burial in Clane, Co. Kildare. Please pray for the happy repose of her soul. May she rest in peace.

Lawrencetown Altar Society. Volunteers required, for June or February or any month. If you are willing to give an hour or so each week during one of these months for cleaning the church, please contact me

WMOF 2018: (World Meeting of Families 2018): Volunteers required!! Every parish will be involved in organising and participating in events at local and national level in preparation for WMOF2018. We want to make this a special event in our Diocese and use it as an opportunity to foster leadership of lay people in each parish. Training will be provided. No matter how small or limited your time please think about getting involved. We need your help. For more information contact your Priest or Diocesan Co-Ordinator @ 0838791745.

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 June 2nd 2017. Contact: 090 9643573 or Web: <http://www.accord.ie/> for further information.

Kiltormer GAA Club Lotto: Last week's numbers: 7, 16, 18, 29. No jackpot winner. Lucky dip: John Darcy, Ray Duane, Bríd Parry, Helena Hopkins, Sharon Kelly. Seller's prize: Rose Muldoon. House prize: Donie Campbell. The draw this Saturday for €8,900 is in Mother's Bar.

If shopping in Tesco in Ballinasloe, please donate the blue tokens to Kiltormer school.

Doctor on call for emergencies on Sat 20th May and Sun 21st: Marina House Medical Centre ☎ 087 2030217; Fri night 26th until Sat 27th at 9:30 a.m.: Marina House Medical Centre ☎ 087 2030217; Sat 27th from 9:30 a.m. until 12:30 p.m.: Dr. Niall McGauran ☎ 087 2616412; Sat 27th from 12:30 p.m. and Sun 28th: Dunlo Medical Centre ☎ 087 6254783.

The Irish Society for Autism will hold a Church Gate collection n Lawrencetown this weekend.

All Ireland Rosary Rally. Knock Shrine Co Mayo. Sat 3rd June 2017. Main Celebrant : Bishop Brendan Kelly D.D. Homilist : Fr Thady Doyle June 3rd 2017 is also the 25th anniversary of the death of servant of God Fr Patrick Peyton The Rosary Priest

Twenty-five Years Ago *Items from the archives of the Lawrencetown Parish Newsletter*
May 17th 1992: "There will be a meeting in the Bridge House, Tullamore at 8.00 p.m. next Tuesday (May 19) to explain the implications of the Maastricht treaty. Speakers will include a former president of the district court and a solicitor. On Monday night at 9.15 p.m. there will be a similar meeting in Lusmagh. I believe it is important to get a clear grasp of all the implications of Maastricht."

May 24th 1992: "I am sorry about the wrong information that I had on last week's newsletter about the meeting on Maastricht in the Bridge House, Tullamore. The meeting is tomorrow (Monday) evening at 8.00 p.m. Next Thursday night at 8.30 p.m. there will be a similar meeting in the Marian Hall, Birr. I believe it is important to get a clear grasp of all the implications of Maastricht. Did you know, for instance, the Europe will decide how Ireland must spend the money they get from the Structural Fund. Spain objected to this and they have a protocol which says they can decide how to spend their share of the Fund."

The Spirit Within

'Trying to do the Lord's work in your own strength is the most confusing, exhausting, and tedious of all work. But when you are filled with the Holy Spirit, then the ministry of Jesus just flows out of you.'

— Corrie ten Boom

Imagine how the disciples must have reacted to the way Jesus was talking. In John's Gospel, as Jesus arrives in Jerusalem and his death approaches, he starts to talk about leaving the disciples. They will no longer be able to see him. He predicts that Judas will betray him and Peter will deny him. The disciples are in turmoil. 'Where are you going?' they ask; 'Why can't I follow you?'; 'How can we know the way?'

On top of this, Jesus has started to give them instructions for after he is gone. The disciples still do not understand where, or why, Jesus is going, so you can sense their panic and fear at the task that lies ahead, the work they will have to do without their teacher and friend to help them. They will be like lost sheep, without a shepherd, to borrow one of Jesus' own metaphors.

So the promise they hear from Jesus that he will send his Spirit must be very welcome. 'I will not leave you orphans,' says Jesus, to a group who must have been afraid of just that. What's more, they already know this Spirit, because he is in them. That same Spirit is in us. We are not alone in our struggles.
(from The Deep End by Triona Doherty in Intercom)