

Lawrencetown & Kiltormer

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Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time - 25 June 2017

Masses:	K. Saturday:	8:00 p.m.	John P. Curley
	L. Sunday:	11:30 a.m.	James Pardy
	L. Monday:	No Mass	
	K. Tuesday:	No Mass	
	L. Wednesday:	No Mass	
	K. Thursday:	6:00 p.m.	Private intention
	L. Friday:	7:00 p.m.	Michael Heffernan
	K. Saturday:	8:00 p.m.	Thomas and Bridget Larkin
	L. Sunday:	11:30 a.m.	Mary Madden (Coolcarta) (month's mind)

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.

We welcome Fr. Michael Finneran and thank him for celebrating our Masses this Saturday evening and Sunday morning.

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.

I will be away in Medjugorje until next Wednesday (June 28th). If you need a priest, call Ballinasloe presbytery (964 3916) or a priest from a neighbouring parish.

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)–Corrina Goode, (K)–Breda Turley. Eucharistic minister (K)–Margaret Lynch.

Next Sunday is the thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time. The readings at Mass are II Kings 4:8-11, 14-16, Romans 6:3-4, 8-11, Matthew 10:37-42.

Thank you for your contributions to the door collection last weekend—€189.56 (L), €116 (K), to the church refurbishment collection—€60.21 (L), to the priests' Summer collection—€1,565 (L) (40 envelopes), €823 (K) (24 envelopes) and the World Meeting of Families collection—€101 (L) (12 envelopes), €192 (K) (17 envelopes).

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: The Blessed Virgin Mary* on Monday, *The Joyful Mysteries* on Tuesday, *It's Great to be Alive* on Wednesday, *The Mysteries of Light* on Thursday, *The Way of the Cross for Kids* on Friday and *The First Saturdays for Kids* at 8:30 a.m. 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. *EWTN Pro-Life Weekly* is today at 7:30 a.m. and Monday at 7:30 p.m. *The Choices We Face* is today at 9:30 a.m. *How to Pray for your Sons & Daughters & Loved Ones* is today at 10:30 a.m. *Angelus 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. *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. Margaret Mary Alacoque* is on Monday at 8:30 a.m. and 8:00 p.m. *The Holy Spirit* 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. *Catholics Come Home* is Monday at 10:00 p.m. and Tuesday at 2:30 p.m. *Praying as a Family* is Tuesday at 7:00 a.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, First Holy Communion* 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. *Mass with Pope Francis for the Feast of Sts Peter and Paul* is Thursday at 8:30 a.m. and 11:00 p.m. *Angelus with Pope Francis* is Thursday at 11:00 a.m. *Called to Communion* is Friday at 10:00 a.m. and Saturday at 4:00 p.m. *First Saturday Devotion* is Saturday at 2:00 p.m.

Cemetery Masses: Mass will be celebrated in Calvary Cemetery, Lawrencetown on Friday July 14th at 7:00 p.m. and in the Kiltormer New Cemetery on Friday July 21st at 8:00 p.m. Please tell people who have left the parish and might like to return for these Masses.

Doctor on call for emergencies on Sat 24th June and Sun 25th: Dr. Mary B. Murphy ☎ 086 2533063, 09685714, 9685645; Fri night 30th June until Sat 1st July at 12:30 p.m.: Dr. Niall McGauran ☎ 087 2616412; Sat 1st from 12:30 p.m. and Sun 2nd: Marina House Medical Centre ☎ 087 2030217.

Kiltormer GAA Club Lotto: Last week's numbers: 3, 11, 16, 29. No jackpot winner. Lucky dip: Johnny & Kitty McKeigue, Mark Cormican, Kathleen Quinn, Tony Glynn, Smith Family. Seller's prize: Padraic Finnerty. House prize: Teresa Glynn. The draw this Saturday for €9,400 is in Pardy's Bar.

PARISH "DAY OUT" TOUR is on Thursday 13th July 2017 starting with Mass at 9am, bus departs after at 9.30am for Glasson Country House Hotel (Brunch), Belvedere House Gardens & Park Mullingar (Guided Tour), Annebrook House Hotel Mullingar (3 Course Dinner), Tullamore (Shopping), Lukers Shannonbridge (Music & Food) & home at 10.30pm. PLACES ARE LIMITED. To secure please pay €40 per person to Jacqueline Nevin 087- 6724842 BEFORE 30th June 2017 OR to Margaret in Pardy's Shop on Monday 26th/ Tuesday 27th June 2017. Tour is suitable for all Over 50 years young - All welcome.

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

Twenty Years Ago Items from the archives of the Lawrencetown Parish Newsletter

June 22nd 1997: "Festival of Children's Choirs in the Shannon Oaks Hotel, Portumna today Sunday starting at 3.00 p.m. Many primary schools will take part, including Laurencetown NS. Other musical treats will include Ruth Heery, the Band of the Western Command and the Joyce family string quartet. Please come and enjoy this afternoon of music and entertainment. Proceeds in aid of Portiuncula Cat Scan appeal."

Vacant Property – Have you a residential property that has been vacant for at least a year and requires repairs to bring it up to standard for renting? If the answer is YES, then you may wish to avail of a new Repair & Leasing Scheme offered by Galway County Council. The Council may assist you by means of an interest free loan to bring the vacant property up to standard for renting, subject to a maximum of €40,000, and thereafter may pay to lease the property for a minimum period of 10 years. Further information is available from the Housing Unit, Galway County Council, Prospect Hill, Galway. Telephone 091 509173/509293, email: rls@galwaycoco.ie or visit www.galway.ie/housing

Who Celebrates?

The entire Body of Christ, animated by the Holy Spirit, celebrates the liturgy. The celebrating assembly is the community of the baptised. Liturgy is not a matter of private prayer, but a public act of worship by the faithful gathered together by the power of the Spirit under the authority of the bishop, their teacher and shepherd. 'Mother Church earnestly desires that all the faithful should be led to that full, conscious and active participation in liturgical celebrations which is demanded by the very nature of the liturgy, and to which the Christian people ... have a right and an obligation by reason of their Baptism' {CCC, no. 1141}. The faithful are called to come to the liturgy consciously prepared to make their thoughts agree with what they say and hear and to co-operate with divine grace.

Within the assembly, the ordained have a unique function of service. 'These servants are chosen and consecrated by the sacrament of Holy Orders, by which the Holy Spirit enables them to act in the person of Christ the head, for the service of all the members of the Church' (CCC, no. 1142). Thus, for example, priests preside at the Eucharist, in which the elements of bread and wine are changed into the Body and Blood of Christ. Priests act in the person of Christ, the Head of the Church, and in the name of the Church when presenting to God the prayers and self-offering of the people and when offering the Eucharistic sacrifice, above all as they proclaim the Eucharistic Prayer. *Irish Catholic Catechism for Adults*, p. 190

Seeing Your Life through the Lens of the Gospels

1. 'Do not fear' is the unifying theme in this passage which is set in the context of a mission sermon by Jesus, preparing his disciples for what lay ahead. He urges them to have courage in speaking his message and living his message, drawing strength from their trust in the Father whose care for us exceeds his care for hundreds of sparrows. How has trust in God been a source of strength in life for you?
2. The body/soul terminology presupposes an anthropology in which the soul represents one's real self and the body is the perishable shell. For Jesus the important thing is to be true to one's real self, even if this does involve some material or physical loss or pain. When you have had that kind of courage, what was it like for you?
3. There is no such thing as secret discipleship. It is in declaring their allegiance to Jesus that his followers will find life. They will be the losers if they hide their discipleship. Does this resonate with your experience?
(by John Byrne osa in Intercom)