

Lawrencetown & Kiltormer


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Twenty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time - 27 August 2017

Masses:	K. Saturday:	8:00 p.m.	Seamus, Marty, Gabrielle and Margaret Lowry
	L. Sunday:	11:30 a.m.	Ann Coughlan
	L. Monday:	7:00 p.m.	Annie Donnelly (Dooras)
	K. Tuesday:	7:00 p.m.	Deceased members of the Muldoon 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.	Deceased members of the Kenny family (Kylemore)
	K. Friday:	8:00 p.m.	Maisie and Christy Glynn
	K. Saturday:	8:00 p.m.	John & Maureen and Paddy & Maureen Colohan
	L. Sunday:	11:30 a.m.	Alice Staunton

Confessions: Saturday, 12:00 – 12:30 p.m. in Lawrencetown; 12:45 – 1:15 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—Amy Roche, Adam Roche, Amanda Brien, Darragh Egan; Lawrencetown—Mark Kilkenny, Ruth Kilkenny, Hannah Kilkenny, Darragh Quinn-Moloney. Next week: Leah's and Claire's groups. Readers next weekend (L)—Rachel Whyte, (K)—Adam Roche. Eucharistic minister (K)—Frances Curley.

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

Thank you for your contributions to the door collection last weekend—€328.80 (L), €297 (K) and to the church refurbishment collection—€51.09 (L).

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 *The Joyful Mysteries* on Monday, *When Children Adore: Mass* on Tuesday, *John Paul II: Be Not Afraid* 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. 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. and Thursday at 2:00 p.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. *Fatima – Our Lady's Messages* is today at 2:30 p.m. and Wednesday at 8:00 p.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. Columbanus* is on Monday at 8:30 a.m. and 8:00 p.m. *Decision Point* 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. *Household of Faith* is Monday at 7:00 p.m., Tuesday at 2:00 p.m. and Friday at 7:00 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 OSC* 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. *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.

We offer our deepest sympathy to Ruth McDonagh (nee Heery) and her family on the death of her father-in-law Seán McDonagh and also to Gerry Kelly (Oghilmore) and his family on the death of his brother Paddy Kelly (New York) and also to Nora Heffernan and Josephine Hoban and their families on the death of their grandson Jason Hoban. Please pray for the happy repose of their souls. May they rest in peace. Jason Hoban will be reposing at 23 Cloughbrack, Eyrecourt today (Sunday), 2:00 to 8:00 pm. His Funeral Mass is in Eyrecourt Church on Monday at 11:30 a.m. Burial in Kiltormer.

WMOF2018. Mr Martin Kennedy, National Coordinator for the World Meeting of Families 2018, will hold an open information meeting in Gullanes Hotel, Ballinasloe on 13th Sept at 8p.m. for those in our diocese who wish to be actively involved in the event. He will outline how we can prepare for this historic event and sustain its legacy at parish and at national level. Information about formation / training / time commitment and relevant skills will be shared. His talk and presentation will be followed by small groups' discussion and a Q & A session. Bishop Kirby will open the meeting. People who wish to volunteer nationally can do so online: www.worldmeeting2018.ie/volunteerig.

Grandparents National Annual Pilgrimage Sept. 10th, Knock Shrine 2.30p.m. Everybody welcome to honour & thank Grandparents alive & dead for all they have done for us down through the ages. Chief Celebrant Archbishop Eamon Martin - Ballina School Choir - Dana sings 'Our Lady of Knock'

The "LoveBoth Project" is committed to building a more welcoming society for expectant mothers and their unborn babies. Right now, our primary goal is protecting Ireland's 8th Amendment, which safeguards the lives of both mother and baby in pregnancy. Each human being, regardless of age, dependency, gender, disability or circumstance, possesses a profound, inherent, equal and irreplaceable value and dignity. If you like to find out more information or help us in any way (financially or through volunteering), please visit www.loveboth.ie or write to info@loveboth.ie.

Next Sunday is the twenty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time. The readings at Mass are Jeremiah 20:7-9, Romans 12:1-2, Matthew 16:21-27.

Both Lawrencetown (Phone 090-9685609) and Kiltormer (Phone 090-9627109) National Schools reopen for all pupils on Thursday 31st August, Lawrencetown at 9:20 a.m. and Kiltormer at 9:05 a.m. The school communities would like to especially welcome those beginning Junior Infants.

Doctor on call for emergencies on Sat 26th Aug and Sun 27th: Dr. Mary B. Murphy ☎ 086 2533063, 9685714, 9685645; Fri night 1st Sept until Sat 2nd at 12:30 p.m.: Dr. Mary B. Murphy ☎ 086 2533063 etc.; Sat 2nd from 12:30 p.m. and Sun 3rd: Marina House Medical Centre ☎ 087 2030217.

Kiltormer GAA Club Lotto: Last week's numbers: 4, 16, 26, 32. No jackpot winner. Lucky dip: Jimmy Fahy, Christine Gately, Brian Muldoon, Pat Guinan, Nell Price. Seller's prize: Rose Muldoon. House prize: Seamus Lyons. The draw this Saturday for €10,300 is in The Beautiful Bird.

Karate Classes recommence on Friday the 1st September in Kiltormer Sports Complex – Class Time 6.30pm – 8pm. Classes are suitable for beginners and advanced students of all levels of fitness. Beginners are welcome to start any Friday evening and classes are open to adults and children over 6 years. Classes have both male & female Instructors who teach both traditional and sport Karate. For further information contact 087 3082323

NURTURING NATURE : Saturday September 23rd 10am – 4pm at An Gáirdín, Portumna. This will be a day of exploring nature in our everyday lives and how we can reconnect with the wonders of the natural world in our own lives and communities. It is grant aided. Cost €20 for lunch and refreshments. Booking: angairdin1@gmail.com Phone 0909741689 before 16th Sept.

Aughrim Macra na Feirme are holding a 5/10K Run/Walk on the 27th August in aid of CRY(Cardiac Risk in the Young) Registration will take place in St. Catherine's Hall, Aughrim from 12 noon, with race starting at 1pm please support. 10K = €15, 5K = €10, Children = €5

Who do you say I am?

Peter gets it right in today's Gospel and Jesus calls him 'blessed'. That is, he is a person who brings a great gift and who brings that gift to others. Already in the community that Matthew is writing for, the community of Jesus' followers are gathering as 'church'. Peter is seen as Jesus' successor and future leader for that community.

Jesus is a very different Messiah to the one the Jews expected. It is understandable that he would order the disciples to keep quiet. The people of his time wanted a leader who would lead them in a military revolt against the Romans, who would be a great king. Jesus' mission involves a very different focus, reaching out to the outcast, those on the margins, a radical love. His actions will speak for who he is. It is for each of us to make up our own minds as to who Jesus is. Peter is quite clear and sincere in his declaration, however, as we will see later, Peter did not understand fully what the journey of Jesus would entail. Peter commits himself but it is a reminder that we must always leave room for growth in the understanding of our commitments.

'The joy of Jesus bursts out ... and he speaks his dream of an impregnable community of faith held together by the power of God rather than by external organisation, a community of commitment and freedom.'

W. YEOMANS

A question to focus on today might be: 'Who do YOU say that Jesus is?' What is Jesus for you, today, in your life at this precise moment?
(from The Deep End by Jane Mellet in Intercom)