

Lawrencetown & Kiltormer


St. Mary's Church
Lawrencetown H53 DC80
Fr. Christy O'Byrne P.P.

St Patrick's Church
Kiltormer H53 DK33
☎ (090) 968 5613
086 3449345

Third Sunday of Lent - 4 March 2018

Masses:	K. Saturday:	8:00 p.m.	Eileen Markham
	L. Sunday:	11:30 a.m.	Private intention
	L. Monday:	7:00 p.m.	Mary Clerkin
	K. Tuesday:	7:00 p.m.	Michael Larkin and deceased members of the Farrell family
	L. Wednesday:	9:00 a.m.	For the people of the parish
	K. Thursday:	6:00 p.m.	Patrick and Jim Curley
	L. Friday:	7:00 p.m.	John, Eileen and Michael Walsh
	K. Saturday:	8:00 p.m.	Martin and Peter Frehill
	L. Sunday:	11:30 a.m.	Joseph Connolly

Confessions: Saturday, 12:00 – 12:30 p.m. in Lawrencetown.

 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.

Confirmation for children in both Kiltormer and Lawrencetown schools will be celebrated this year at an 11:00 a.m. Mass in Kiltormer Church on Sunday 18th March. The regular weekend Masses in both churches will be at 8:00 p.m. on Saturday. There will not be Mass in Lawrencetown on Sunday 18th.

Mass servers this week: Kiltormer—Gearóid Markham, Louis Markham, Amanda Brien; Lawrencetown—Katie Cahill, Ruth Kilkenny, Hannah Kilkenny. Next week: Adam's and Luke's groups. Readers next weekend (L)—Brigid Frehill, (K)—Ailish Glynn. Eucharistic minister (K)—Ailish Glynn

Lenten Stations: Lent has already begun and it is time to plan for the 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 March 23rd (Friday before Palm Sunday), but not on Saturdays, Sundays or first Fridays. Stations will normally be at 8:00 p.m. Thanks to the following who has arranged her Station:

Betty Casey Killeevy Friday March 23rd 8:00 p.m.

Next Sunday is the fourth Sunday of Lent. The readings at Mass are II Chronicles 36:14-16.19-23, Ephesians 2:4-10, John 3:14-21.

Join with people all over Ireland in the Lenten Crusade for Life. Why not offer up your prayer and fasting during Lent for the Protection of the Unborn? Perhaps you may like to say the rosary each day, do some form of fasting or have Mass offered for the protection of Life.

Thank you for your contributions to the door collection last weekend—€178.80 (L), €205 (K), to the church refurbishment collection—€84.57 (L), to the Lenten collection—€222 (L) (18 envelopes), €xxx (K) (xx envelopes). Thank you for your support of last weekend's parish collection for WMOF2018. Amounts will be published here next weekend.

The Prayer Intention of Pope Francis for March 2018 is: **Intention for Evangelization: Formation in Spiritual Discernment** – That the Church may appreciate the urgency of formation in spiritual discernment, both on the personal and communitarian levels

There will be a **Pro-Life March** in Dublin on Saturday, 10 March. It begins at Parnell Square at 2.00pm and continues down O'Connell Street, crossing the Liffey and onto Merrion Square. The Life Institute is the main organiser but all Pro-life groups are supporting it. If there is sufficient interest, a bus will be organised to bring people to Dublin. Please contact the Presbytery in Loughrea (091 841 212) or Ballinasloe (964 3916) to book a place. A free bus passing through Lawrencetown at 8:45 a.m. has been organised. Anyone interested please contact 087-2561521 or 087-2040826 or 087-9422356.

The **24 Hours for the Lord** will again take place in Ballinasloe and Loughrea on Friday 9 and Saturday 10 March. As last year, I suggest that we do a 12-hour session in each, Loughrea on Friday and Ballinasloe on Saturday. Priests will be available for confessions in both of these venues. In addition, each session could include a special time of prayer for the Protection of Life.

The annual collection for the support of **Irish Emigrants** takes place on St Patrick Day. This collection helps to support Irish Pastoral Centres in Britain and the U.S. It also helps in the care of Irish prisoners in overseas jails.

EWTVN 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 *Cat Chat - Faithfulness* on Monday, *When Children Adore* on Tuesday, *Martin the Cobbler* on Wednesday, *The Mysteries of Light* on Thursday and *The Way of the Cross for Kids* on Friday. *EWTVN Pro-Life Weekly* is today (Sunday) 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. *Angelus with Pope Francis* is today at 11:00 a.m. *Catholics Come Home* is today at 2:30 p.m., Monday at 10:00 p.m. and Tuesday at 9:00 a.m. *Lenten Reflections* is today at 3:30 p.m., Monday at 8:30 a.m., Tuesday at 10:30 p.m. and Wednesday at 7:00 p.m. *Thirst for Truth* is today at 4:00 p.m., Wednesday 9:00 a.m. and Saturday at 9:00 p.m. *Praying as a Family* is today at 8:00 p.m., Tuesday at 7:00 a.m. and Saturday at 2:30 p.m. *Lent – a Season of Grace* is today at 9:30 p.m., Wednesday at 6:30 a.m. and Thursday at 5:30 p.m. *Catholic View for Women* is Monday at 8:00 a.m. and Wednesday at 2:30 p.m. & 10:30 p.m. A series: *Women of Grace* is Monday to Friday at 4:30 p.m. *Fostering Vocations* is Monday at 2:30 p.m. and Friday at 10:30 p.m. *Web of Faith* is Monday at 5:00 p.m. and Friday at 10:00 a.m. *Household of Faith* is Monday at 7:00 p.m., Tuesday at 2:00 p.m. and Friday at 7:00 a.m. *Forgotten Heritage: St. Peter Julian Eymard* is Monday at 9:30 p.m. *Defending Life* is Monday at 10:30 p.m. *Battle Ready* is Tuesday at 11:30 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. *Father Spitzer's Universe* is on Thursday at 6:00 a.m. and Saturday at 10:00 a.m. *Diamonds from Daniel* is Thursday at 7:00 p.m. *Scripture and Tradition* is Friday at 6:00 a.m. *Called to Communion* is Saturday at 4:00 p.m.

Emmanuel House of Providence pilgrimage to Medjugorje has been arranged for Wednesday September 19th to September 26th. The cost per person sharing is €709 with a discount of €50 if paid for before the end of March. Call Emmanuel House on 057 915 1552 for details or booking.

MOTHERS PRAYERS ANNUAL WEEKEND IN KNOCK. For mothers who wish to come together to pray for their children and grandchildren, bringing them to Jesus who loves them so much and can change things that we cannot change. W/E 9th to 11th March 2018. For information please phone 087 6184110. Email: ireland@gmail.com

Cake Sale in Lawrencetown Community Hall on Sunday 11th March, the sale starts after 11.30am Mass. The hall will be open from 11am for anyone who would like to donate items for the sale. All money collected will go towards this years Parish Party which will be held on Sunday 25th March. Your kind support is always very much appreciated.

Doctor on call for emergencies on Sat 3rd March & Sun 4th: Dunlo Medical Centre ☎ 087 6254783; Fri night 9th March until Sat 10th at 12:30 p.m.: Dunlo Medical Centre ☎ 087 6254783; Sat 10th from 12:30 p.m. & Sun 11th: Dr. David Ross ☎ 087 6623308.

Kiltormer GAA Club Lotto: Last week's numbers: 6, 10, 18, 28. No jackpot winner. Lucky dip: Jimmy Donnellan, Pat Kenny, Alfie Kenny, Margaret Bugler, Michael Stapleton. Seller's prize: Padraig Finnerty. House prize: Diarmuid Claffey. The draw this Saturday for €4,600 is in Pardy's Bar.

Galway County Council would like to give **TWO** free smoke alarms per household to any household with someone aged 65 or over, OR with children aged 5 and under. The alarms are 10-year lithium battery alarms. Installation of the alarms can be organized also if necessary. No application form required, just your name, address (including Eircode) and Phone Number. If you would like to receive your free alarms, please text / call Colette 0876418332 before Wednesday 21st March 2018.

Operation Transformation for the Soul, which caters for the holistic well being of the person, has been developed by Fr Seán Maguire, Kilmore Diocese. For more information, please log into the website www.spiritualtransformation.ie.

Transition Year students at St. Brigid's College Loughrea are hosting a Coffee Morning in aid of Cystic Fibrosis, Galway at the College on Friday, 9th March, 10am – 1pm. Please support.

The Galway branch of Down Syndrome Ireland are holding our annual church gate collection on Saturday 10th and Sunday 11th March 2018 in county Galway area. Our volunteer collectors are local families involved in DSI Galway branch. All monies raised from the collection will support essential services to our members, such as speech and language therapy, through our Voices for Down Syndrome Galway project www.downsyndromegalway.ie

Ballinasloe says NO to opening of Major Waste Facilities fundraising concert. An evening with John Feeley & Eleanor Shanley with Ultan Conlan and Emma O'Reilly, Shearwater Hotel, 8pm Thurs. 8th March. Tickets at Hotel, J & S Photos or 9630400. Booking www.ballinasloetownhall.com