

# Lawrencetown & Kiltormer


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## Fourth Sunday of Easter - 22 April 2018

Masses:	K. Saturday	8:00 p.m.	Ollie Donnelly
	L. Sunday:	11:30 a.m.	Rosaline Kelly
	L. Monday:	7:00 p.m.	
	K. Tuesday:	7:00 p.m.	
	L. Wednesday:	9:00 a.m.	
	K. Thursday:	6:00 p.m.	
	L. Friday:	7:00 p.m.	
	K. Saturday	8:00 p.m.	Patrick and Alice McDonagh
	L. Sunday:	11:30 a.m.	Nancy and Josie Farrell and Kathleen Kelly

Confessions: On request

 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—Alisha Hanlon, Ellen Hanlon. Kiltormer—Joseph Freehill, Aidan Freehill, Caoimhe Kilkenny; Next week: Gearóid's and Katie's groups. Readers next weekend (L)—Marie Dolphin. (K)—Mary Curley. Eucharistic minister (K)—Mary Muldoon.

Next Sunday is the fifth Sunday of Easter. The readings at Mass are Acts 9:26-31, I John 3:18-24, John 15:1-8.

Thank you for your contributions to the door collection last weekend—€286.10 (L), €152 (K), to the church refurbishment collection—€268.64 (L), to the Easter (priests' salaries) collection and to the Mission Appeal in aid of the Mill Hill Missionaries.

I was deeply disappointed that I was not able to celebrate Mass in Lawrencetown on Easter Sunday and that I was not able to celebrate any Mass in the parish from that until last Thursday. I am grateful to Fr. Sean Egan who celebrated the Sunday Masses in Lawrencetown and to Fr. Bernie Costello who looked after the Saturday evening Masses in Kiltormer. When I am absent from the parish all weekday Masses will be cancelled, but I expect to be able to find priests to celebrate weekend Masses. People who book Masses for their loved ones on weekdays when I am away may reschedule them on my return. I have appointments with three different medical specialists in the next week or so and I do not know if it will be necessary for me to go back into hospital.

I hope to delegate some chores, including producing the parish newsletter and counting and lodging the collection money (Lawrencetown) to members of the parish community.

Trócaire: Please hand in your donation to Trócaire immediately. If you are not using a Trócaire box, please put your donation in an envelope and write Trócaire on the outside. If your donation is by cheque, please make it payable to Lawrencetown Church or Kiltormer Church.

TIME FOR A NEW CHALLENGE Are you interested in becoming a Facilitator with ACCORD Catholic Marriage Care Service? Would you like to share your positive married experience with engaged couples preparing for their married life together? Professional training is provided - Certificate in Marriage Education. Please contact ACCORD Ballinasloe Centre: phone 090 9643573 or Email: [ballinasloeaccord@eircom.net](mailto:ballinasloeaccord@eircom.net) for further information.

FOOD: Production, Consumption, Climate at An Gáirdín, Portumna Sat morning 28<sup>th</sup> April 9.30-11.30pm with speakers John Cleary MSc Agriculture, Climate and Food Security; Jim Cronin, Organic Grower and Teacher and Mary Kinsella Chef in Woodfield Cafe. Mary will also prepare lunch using local produce. All welcome. Cost €10 The event is grant aided. Booking [angairdinl@gmail.com](mailto:angairdinl@gmail.com) or phone 0872845443. See [www.angairdin.ie](http://www.angairdin.ie)

Annual pilgrimage of The Apostolate of Eucharist Adoration is being held in Knock on Sunday April 29th. Theme -- " The family of Eucharist Adoration " All welcome to an inspiring day.

EWTN TV (Sky #589). Programmes every day include *Holy Mass* at 1:00 p.m., 6:00 p.m. (5:00 p.m. 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 *Donut Shop* on Monday, *The Sorrowful Mysteries* on Tuesday, *Michael the Visitor* on Wednesday, *Columbus* on Thursday, *The Way of the Cross for Kids* on Friday and *My Time with Jesus* on Saturday at 9:00 a.m. *Matthew's Testimony to Jesus* is today (Sunday) at 7:00 a.m. and Thursday at 7:00 p.m. *EWTN Pro-Life Weekly* is today at 7:30 a.m., Monday at 8:00 p.m. and Wednesday at 5:00 p.m. *Holy Mass and Priestly Ordinations with Pope Francis* is today at 8:30 a.m. *Regina Caeli with Pope Francis* is today at 11:00 a.m. *Catholic View for Women* is on Monday at 8:00 a.m. and Wednesday at 10:30 p.m. *Praying as a Family* is Monday at 10:00 a.m. and Friday at 5:00 p.m. A series: *Women of Grace* is Monday to Friday at 4:30 p.m. *Web of Faith* is Monday at 5:00 p.m. and Friday at 10:00 a.m. *St. Vincent de Paul Society* is Monday at 7:30 p.m. and Wednesday at 10:30 a.m. *Catholics Come Home* is Monday at 10:00 p.m. and Tuesday at 9:00 a.m. *Defending Life* is Monday at 10:30 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. *Battle Ready* is Wednesday at 5:30 p.m. *My Country, My Faith - Young People on the Move* is on Wednesday at 7:00 p.m. *Father Spitzer's Universe* is on Thursday at 6:00 a.m. & 9:30 p.m. and Saturday at 10:00 a.m. *The Choices We Face* is Thursday at 2:00 p.m. *Scripture and Tradition* is Friday at 6:00 a.m. *Handing on the Faith* is Friday at 7:00 p.m.

Doctor on call for emergencies on Sat 21<sup>st</sup> April and Sun 22<sup>nd</sup>. Dr. Mary B. Murphy ☎ 086 2533063, 9685714, 9685645. Further details not available at time of printing.

Kiltormer GAA Club Lotto: Last week's numbers: 2, 20, 30, 32. No jackpot winner. Lucky dip: Frankie Hopkins, Michael Lynch, Paddy Joe Casey, Stacy Broderick, Aoife & Hugh Clarke. Seller's prize: Pdraig Finnerty. House prize: Colm Finnerty. The draw this Saturday for €5,300 is in Mother's.

Care Bears Community Playschool in Lawrencetown is now enrolling for September 2018. Please contact Eileen Dervan (087) 295 3368 or Patricia Moloney (087) 747 8974

Save the Date: Progressive 25 card game in Clonfert Hall on Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> April at 8.30pm. Proceeds in aid of Eyrecourt Twinning Group.

## Reflection for Vocations Sunday

Every single person has a vocation, a calling, a dream held for us by God as to who God would have us be and what God would have us do with our lives. When we speak of "praying for vocations" it is somewhat inaccurate. Vocations are freely given by God. What we are really praying for is God's help to find and follow our own particular call.

At this time in our part of the world, the call to a life of service and ministry in the Church is not very popular, for a variety of reasons. It's not so much that God is not calling, so much as people might not be tuned in too well to listening! Another element is that whilst God does the calling, it is up to us to do the informing and inviting; that is telling people about religious life, diaconate and priesthood – the fulfilment and joy it can bring – and actively inviting/encouraging them to think about it as a possible choice. As well as full time ministry, every community has a need for willing people to serve as readers, ministers of the Eucharist, Mass servers, catechists or members of various committees.

God's Kingdom needs people willing to say yes and give their hands, feet and hearts. Jesus the Good Shepherd is saying, "Whom shall I send?" What are you saying in reply?

Message of Our Lady to the parish of Medjugorje and to the world:

March 25, 2018 "Dear children! I am calling you to be with me in prayer in this time of grace when darkness is fighting against the light. Pray, little children, confess and begin a new life in grace. Decide for God and He will lead you towards holiness; and the cross will be a sign of victory and hope for you. Be proud that you are baptized and grateful in your heart that you are a part of God's plan. Thank you for having responded to my call." © www.medjugorje.hr

## OFFICIAL FAMILY PRAYER for WMOF2018

God, our Father, we are brothers and sisters in Jesus your Son, One family, in the Spirit of your love. Bless us with the joy of love.

Make us patient and kind, gentle and generous, welcoming to those in need. Help us to live your forgiveness and peace.

Protect all families with your loving care, especially those for whom we now pray:

*[We pause and remember family members and others by name].*

Increase our faith, strengthen our hope, keep us safe in your love, Make us always grateful for the gift of life that we share.

This we ask, through Christ our Lord, **Amen**  
*Mary, mother and guide, pray for us.*

*Saint Joseph, father and protector, pray for us*  
*Saints Joachim and Anne, pray for us.*

*Saints Louis and Zélie Martin, pray for us.*