

Lawrencetown & Kiltormer

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Feast of the Holy Family - 30 December 2018

Masses:	K. Saturday	8:00 p.m.	Eddie Kilkenny
	L. Sunday:	11:30 a.m.	Jack Markham
	K. Monday:	7:00 p.m.	
	L. Tuesday:	7:00 p.m.	Private intention
	L. Wednesday:	9:00 a.m.	For the people of the parish
	K. Thursday:	6:00 p.m.	
	L. Friday:	7:00 p.m.	
	K. Friday:	8:00 p.m.	John Fahy
	K. Saturday	8:00 p.m.	Patsy Hanlon (first anniversary)
	L. Sunday:	11:30 a.m.	Martin and Mary Kate Callanan

Confessions: On request

I hope that you and your loved ones had a happy, peaceful and holy Christmas and I pray that 2019 will be a blessed year for you in every way. I extend a warm welcome to all who have come home to the parish for Christmas and I remember especially those who had to emigrate from our country and could not come home for Christmas. I wish a safe journey to all who are returning home after their holiday.

 An Induction Loop System has been provided in Lawrencetown church to assist Hearing Aid Users. Please switch your Hearing Aid to the 'T' position.

Next Friday is the first Friday of January. First Friday Holy Communion calls will begin as usual at 9:30 a.m.

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, Micheál Hanlon, Lily Poland; Kiltormer—Sophie Flynn, Amanda Brien. Next week: Adam's and Caoimhe C's groups. Readers next weekend (L)—Rachel Whyte, (K)—Kyle Campbell. Eucharistic minister (K)—Pauline Hanley-Lynch. Altar Ladies for Jan (K)—Mary Curley and Hanoria Curley. Door collector—Kay Tierney.

Next Sunday is the feast of the Epiphany of the Lord. The readings at Mass are Isaiah 60:1-6, Ephesians 3:2-3.5-6, Matthew 2:1-12.

Thank you for your contributions to the door collection—€209.50 (L), €342 (K) last weekend and €228.00 (L), €282 (K) on Christmas Day, to the church refurbishment collection—€69.86 (L) and to the Christmas (priests' salaries) collection—€2,075 (L) (50 envelopes), €1,271 (K) (35 envelopes).

EWTN TV (Sky #588). Programmes every day include *Holy Mass* at 1:00 p.m., 6:00 p.m. (not Sunday), and 11:00 p.m. (not Sunday or Monday), *The Angelus* at 12:00 p.m., *Holy Rosary* at 12:30 p.m. and *Chaplet of Divine Mercy* at 3:00 p.m. (not Tuesday) Also this week, children's programmes at 3:30 p.m. include *The Joyful Mysteries* on Monday, *Michael the Visitor* on Tuesday, *The Donut Man* on Wednesday, *We are Catholic* on Thursday, *The Way of the Cross for Kids* on Friday and *Moses* on Saturday at 9:30 a.m. *The Choices We Face* is today (Sunday) at 9:30 a.m. and Thursday at 2:00 p.m. *Angelus with Pope Francis* is today at 11:00 a.m. *Matthew's Testimony to Jesus* is today at 2:30 p.m. *Sunday Best with Fr Groeschel* is today at 8:00 p.m. *Mary of Nazareth (2 parts)* is today and Monday at 9:30 p.m. *Catholic View for Women* is on Monday at 8:00 a.m. and Wednesday at 10:30 p.m. *Forgotten Heritage: St. Margaret Mary Alacoque* is Mon at 8:30 a.m. *Praying as a Family* is Monday at 10:00 a.m. *The Society of St. Vincent de Paul* is Monday at 11:00 a.m. and Friday at 7:00 p.m. *Total Consecration to Jesus through Mary* is Monday at 7:30 p.m. and Saturday at 2:30 p.m. *Pure in Heart* is Monday at 9:0 p.m. and Tuesday at 8:00 a.m. *Holy Mass with Pope Francis* is Tuesday at 9:00 a.m. and 11:00 p.m. A series: *Women of Grace* is Tuesday to Friday at 4:30 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 8:00 p.m. and Friday at 7:00 a.m. *Father Spitzer's Universe* is Thursday at 6:00 a.m. & 9:30 p.m. and Saturday at 10:00 a.m. *Scripture and Tradition* is Friday at 6:00 a.m. *The Acts of God* is Friday at 9:30 a.m. *Web of Faith* is Friday at 10:00 a.m. *Stations of the Cross* is Friday 2:30 p.m. *Marian Procession from the Holy Land* is Saturday at 12:00 noon. *First Saturday Devotion* is Saturday at 2:00 p.m. *St Luke's Gospel* is Saturday at 10:30 p.m.

We offer our deepest sympathy to Pascal Claffey and his family on the death of his father Stephen Claffey and also to Annette Spain and her family on the death of her brother Liam Duffy. Please pray for the happy repose of their souls, and also for the soul of Carmel Davy, formerly from Roohan, who was buried in Calvary Cemetery yesterday. May they rest in peace.

Parish workers for January: Sincere thanks to all who help in the parish in so many ways.

Altar Society:		Rita Kenny & Nancy Horan
Door Collectors:	Sunday:	Martin Naughton & Michael Daly
Eucharistic Ministers:	Sunday:	Marie Dolphin

A course for new and existing Eucharistic Ministers will take place in St. Cuan's College, Castleblakney, on four consecutive Monday evenings 8 - 9.30 pm, beginning January 14th. Course open to practicing Catholics who are willing to join their own Church's rota and /or willing to bring Holy Communion to persons who are housebound / living in Nursing homes. If interested please contact me.

Doctor on call for emergencies on Sat 29th Dec. until Sun 30th at 9:30 a.m.: Dr. Annette Jennings ☎ 087 2030217; Sun 30th from 9:30 a.m. until Mon 31st at 9:30 a.m.: Dr. Peter O'Beirn ☎ 087 6254783; Mon 31st from 1:00 p.m. until Tues 1st Jan. at 9:30 a.m.: Dr. Mary B. Murphy ☎ 086 2533063; Tues 1st from 9:30 a.m. until Wed 2nd at 9:00 a.m.: Dr. Finnegan ☎ 087 2030217; Fri night 4th Jan until Sat 5th at 12:30 p.m.: Dr. David Ross ☎ 087 6623308; Sat 5th from 12:30 p.m. and Sun 6th: Marina House Medical Centre ☎ 087 2030217 (6623308).

Kiltormer GAA Club Lotto: Last week's numbers: 3, 14, 24, 25. The jackpot was not won. Lucky dip: Michael Dolan, Mullagh GAA Club, Frances Curley, Stacey & Bríd, Mick Bohan. Seller's prize: Doreen Glynn. House prize: Theo Hanley. The draw this Saturday for €5,200 is in Mother's Bar.

Lawrencetown Community Development Group are hosting a Texas Hold'Em Poker Night on 29th Dec at 8pm in The Beautiful Bird in aid of the school car park project. Entry fee: €20. Raffle on the night.

Lawrencetown's "LET'S GET ACTIVE" 2019 Launch is on Friday 11th January at 7pm in the Hall with Cathy Hopkins' Energetic Hip Hop kids class opening the event. Activities include an adult's cycle-athon, kids skip-athon & lots of info on the 8-week LGA event. Any queries contact 087-7646530 or find us on Facebook. All are welcome - there's something for all ages.

Irish Heart Foundation's Mobile Health Unit is in Lawrencetown from 11-3pm on Saturday 12th January. Two fully qualified nurses will be on site to give heart health info & blood pressure checks. This simple, quick & non-invasive test could prove life-saving. One-to-one advice offered by nurses is vital. FREE services. All welcome.

Thanks for your co-operation: As the year ends I would like to say a big "THANK YOU" to a number of groups and individuals in the parish. Special thanks to all who visited me in my illness during the year and who supported me with your Mass bouquets and prayers and with your kindness and generosity and offers of help in so many different ways. Thanks to the members of the Pastoral Councils at both ends of the parish and to those who distributed boxes of envelopes, etc. Thanks to all who read at our Masses and to the co-ordinators of the readers. Thanks to the Eucharistic Ministers, the door collectors and the Mass servers. Thanks to the parents of Mass servers and others who attend in the sacristy with the servers. Thanks the Church Choirs and with their accompanists and soloists. Thanks to the Altar Societies and those who erected the cribs and decorated the churches for Christmas and other special occasions. Thanks to those who look after our parish finance departments. Thanks to the person who co-ordinates information for the newsletter and prepares the altar for the Masses. Thanks to those who arrange the flowers. Thanks to those who clean the Mass vestments, servers' outfits and altar linens. Thanks to those who open and close the churches. Thanks to the teachers and staff in the two Schools, to the Boards of Management, the Parents' Associations and the school maintenance people. Thanks to those who organised various activities for our senior citizens and for all age groups in the local community. Thanks to the TUS and FÁS workers who do so much valuable work in and around the churches and in the parish. I give permission to the Lawrencetown FÁS group to continue to use the garden and outbuildings of the Parochial House in 2019 for their training. I thank all, including people from outside the parish, who attend Mass here and all who contribute to the door collection and the church refurbishment collection on Sundays and holy days, to the priests' salaries collections and to the various other collections throughout the year. Thanks to those who attend adoration on Mondays and Thursdays. Thanks to the person who posts our newsletter on the www.lawrencetown.com website every week. I wish to thank those who in any other way may have helped during the year to keep our parish running smoothly. And finally, I want to thank God for his constant love and care for us individually and for our parish. May God continue to bless us all.

There will be a Rosary Rally in Eyre Square, Galway, next Tuesday at 12 noon. They will join spiritually with the "All Ireland Rosary Rally for Faith and Life" which is being held outside Dáil Éireann.