

# Lawrencetown & Kiltormer

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## Feast of the Epiphany of the Lord - 6 January 2019

<b>Masses:</b>	K. Saturday	8:00 p.m.	Patsy Hanlon (first anniversary)
	L. Sunday:	11:30 a.m.	Martin and Mary Kate Callanan
	K. Monday:	7:00 p.m.	
	L. Tuesday:	7:00 p.m.	Margaret, John and James Hynes
	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. Saturday	8:00 p.m.	Marcella Campbell
	L. Sunday:	11:30 a.m.	Mick and Agnes and Leo Donnelly

**Confessions:** On request

I hope that you and your loved ones had a happy, peaceful and holy Christmas and I wish you a happy, holy, healthy and successful new year.

 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—Caoimhe Craughwell, Sarah Craughwell, Patrick Daly; Kiltormer—Adam Roche, Louis Markham, Isaac Markham. Next week: Darragh's and Caoimhe K's groups. Readers next weekend (L)—Ruth Kilkenny, (K)—Fran Jennings. Eucharistic minister (K)—Mary Muldoon.

Next Sunday is the feast of the Baptism of the Lord. The readings at Mass are Isaiah 40:1-5.9-11, Titus 2:11-14; 3:4-7, Luke 3:15-16.21-22.

Thank you for your contributions to the door collection last weekend—€337.50 (L), €178 (K), to the church refurbishment collection—€68.04 (L) and to the Christmas (priests' salaries) collection—€2,380 (L) (53 envelopes), €1,591 (K) (44 envelopes).

The Prayer Intention of Pope Francis for January 2019 is: **Intention for Evangelization: Young People and the Example of Mary** – That young people, especially in Latin America, follow the example of Mary and respond to the call of the Lord to communicate the joy of the Gospel to the world.

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., *The Angelus* at 12:00 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 Third Beatitude* on Monday, *The Sorrowful Mysteries* on Tuesday, *The Donut Man* on Wednesday, *We are Catholic* on Thursday, *The Way of the Cross for Kids* on Friday and *Elisha* on Saturday at 9:30 a.m. EWTN Pro-life Weekly is today (Sunday) at 7:30 a.m., Monday at 8:00 p.m. and Wednesday at 5:00 p.m. *Holy Mass with Pope Francis* is today at 9:00 a.m. & 11:00 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. and Tuesday at 7:00 p.m. *Sunday Best with Fr Groeschel* is today at 8:00 p.m. *The Society of St. Vincent de Paul* is Monday at 11:00 a.m. and Friday at 7:00 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. *Total Consecration to Jesus through Mary* is Monday at 7:30 p.m. and Saturday at 2:30 p.m. *Forgotten Heritage: Pope St. Pius X* is Monday at 9:30 p.m. *Catholics Come Home* is Monday at 10:00 p.m. and Tuesday at 9:30 a.m. *Defending Life* is Monday at 10:30 p.m. *Praying as a Family* is Tuesday at 2:30 p.m. A series: *Pro-Life is Pro-Love* is Tuesday to Friday at 9:00 p.m. and Wednesday to Saturday at 8:00 a.m. *Living Right with Dr. Ray* is on Tuesday at 9:30 p.m. *Papal Audience* is on Wednesday at 8:30 a.m. *Battle Ready* is Wednesday at 8:00 p.m. and Friday at 7:00 a.m. *Catholic View for Women* is on Wednesday at 10:30 p.m. *Father Spitzer's Universe* is 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. *The Acts of God* is Friday at 9:30 a.m. *Stations of the Cross* is Friday 2:30 p.m. *St Luke's Gospel* is Saturday at 10:30 p.m.

We welcome Ava Elizabeth Brien, baptised last Sunday, into the parish community, and we congratulate her parents Thomas and Averil and proud grandparents Finbar and Ailish.

Congratulations to Patrick Greaney on his recent marriage to Sarah Cronin, and also to Jacqueline Curley on her recent marriage to Peter Crossen. We wish both couples every blessing and many happy, healthy years together.

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 14<sup>th</sup>. 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.

There will be a Church Gate Collection next weekend in aid of the Galway Pro-Life Campaign. Please be generous. The Pro Life Campaign promotes and defends human life at all stages, from conception to natural death. It also campaigns for resources to support and assist pregnant women and those in need of healing after abortion.

Retrouvaille – A Lifeline for Married Couples: Do you want to improve the communication with your spouse? Do you feel lost, alone or bored in your marriage? Are you hurt, frustrated or angry with your spouse? Does talking about it only make it worse? The Retrouvaille programme can help marriages at all stages. Next programme starts 8th – 10th February 2019. For information contact Tony & Anne (01) 495 3536, Mike & Anne (01) 450 0922, text or call 086 413 5440, or email [info@retrouvaille.ie](mailto:info@retrouvaille.ie) or visit [www.retrouvaille.ie](http://www.retrouvaille.ie)

Doctor on call for emergencies on Sat 5<sup>th</sup> Jan and Sun 6<sup>th</sup>: Marina House Medical Centre ☎ 087 2030217 (6623308); Further details not available at time of printing.

Kiltormer GAA Club Lotto: Last week's numbers: 4, 23, 25, 32. The jackpot was not won. Lucky dip: Darragh Durkan, Sean Madden, James, Killian & Shea Curran, Noel McManus, Elizabeth Campbell. Seller's prize: Damian Curley. House prize: Daragh Glynn. The draw this Saturday for €5,300 is in Party's.

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.

Boxes of collection envelopes for 2019 have been distributed to every house in the parish. Thanks very much to those who distributed them in the station areas. If there has been any mistake or if you have not received a box or need an extra box, please take one from the church porch and put a piece of paper with your name and address (station area) in the envelope the first time you use it, or contact me. Thanks to all who have been using their envelopes for the Sunday and other collections. If you attend Mass in another parish of the diocese or in a neighbouring diocese, please use your envelope, as all envelopes, except holy days, are returned to the parish named on them. If you still have envelopes from last year (or any previous year), please hand them in or destroy them.

The following classes are due to begin at West Offaly Training over the next few weeks: Working with Autism, Understanding Dementia, Mindfulness, Train the Trainer, Hairdressing, Make-Up, Spring Gardening, Abrasive Wheel, Manual Handling, HR training, After School Coding are just a sample of what will be on offer. We also continue to offer Computer classes from very basic to Advanced level. For further information or to secure a place call Carmel on [057 9152003](tel:0579152003) or email [info@westoffalytraining.com](mailto:info@westoffalytraining.com)

### Announcement of Easter

Know, dear brothers and sisters, that as we have rejoiced at the Nativity of our Lord Jesus Christ, so by leave of God's mercy we announce to you also the joy of his Resurrection, who is our Saviour.

On the sixth day of March will fall **Ash Wednesday**, and the beginning of the fast of the most sacred Lenten season. On the twenty-first day of April you will celebrate with joy **Easter Day**, the Paschal feast of our Lord Jesus Christ. On the second day of June will be the **Ascension** of our Lord Jesus Christ. On the ninth day of June, the feast of **Pentecost**. On the twenty-third day of June, the feast of the **Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ**. On the first day of December, the **First Sunday of the Advent** of our Lord Jesus Christ, to whom is honour and glory for ever and ever. Amen.

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

*December 25, 2018:* "Dear children! I am carrying to you my Son Jesus who is the King of Peace. He gives you peace and may it not be only for you but, little children, carry it to others in joy and humility. I am with you and am praying for you in this time of grace which God desires to give you. My presence is a sign of love here while I am with you to protect you and lead you towards eternity. Thank you for having responded to my call."

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