

The Parish of Leitrim Ballydugan/Kilmeen.
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 (The parish newsletter is available on-line @ www.clonfertdiocese.ie)

Third Week in Ordinary Time: Mass Times

Date	Time	Church	Intention
Saturday 21st January	6.30pm.	St. Andrew	James, Tom, and Nan Shiel
Sunday 22nd January	11.00am.	St. Jarlath	Thomas and Brigid Shiel
Monday 23rd January	8.00am.	St. Andrew	Private Intention
Tuesday 24th January	8.00am.	St. Andrew	Private Intention
Wednesday 25th January	8.00am.	St. Andrew	Private Intention
Thursday 26th January	8.00am.	St Andrew	Private Intention
Friday 27th January: No Mass			
Saturday 28th January	6.30pm.	St. Andrew	Joseph (26th Anniversary) and Catherine Healy (28th Anniversary)
Sunday 29th January	11.00am.	St. Jarlath	Private Intention

Eucharistic Ministers: Saturday 28th January: Cathy Boyle.

Sunday 29th January: Mary Horan.

Readers: Sunday 28th January: Niamh O'Brien.

Sunday 29th January: Michael Stapleton.

Collections: 14/15 January €651.55. The second basket collection this weekend is for CURA. Please give as generously as you can. Thank you for your contributions. All second envelope and second basket contributions for 2016 are listed on posters on the noticeboards.

Confession is available before or after 6.30pm Mass on Saturday or by appointment.

Pray for the sick of the Parish: Remember in your prayers any parishioner that may not be in good health.

Pope's Intention for January: That all Christians may be faithful to the Lord's teaching by striving with prayer and fraternal charity to restore ecclesial communion and by collaborating to meet the challenges facing humanity.

Our sympathy to the Coleman Family on the death of their sister, Mary, who was laid to rest in Kilteskil Cemetery on Tuesday. May she rest in peace. We extend our sympathy also to Sean Kennedy and Hilary Molloy on the death of their sister, Marian McCarthy (Cork), who died during the week. May she rest in peace.

Forth coming event: Sunday 29th January, Baptism, 12 noon, St Jarlath Church.

Medjugorje: May 24th - 31st. €619. Contact: Michael Mulryan 0876737888.

Reflection: Never a possession. For the land is described as an 'inheritance'; the community is understood to exist not just in space, but also in time. One lives in the neighbourhood, not just of those who now live 'next door' but of the dead who have bequeathed the land to the living, and of the unborn to whom the living will in turn bequeath it. But we can have no direct behavioural connection to those who are not yet alive. The only neighbourly thing we can do for them is to preserve their inheritance: we must take care, among other things, of the land, which is never a possession, but an inheritance to the living, as it will be to the unborn. - Wendell Berry, 'The Gift of Good Land', A New Creation, ed. Roger S. Gottlieb (New York: Crossroad) p.320.

Readings for this weekend: The semi-continuous reading of St Matthew's Gospel on each Sunday begins today with the calling of the first disciples. The prophecy of Isaiah is fulfilled: the people that lived in darkness have seen a great light. The Scriptures are fulfilled in the person and work of Jesus who begins his preaching with the message: repent, for the kingdom of heaven is close at hand.

A thought: It is not the load that breaks you down, it's the way you carry it. Lena Home.

Pastoral Ministry Support Co-ordinator for Clonfert: Clonfert Diocese wishes to employ a suitable person to undertake a new role of pastoral Co-ordinator for the diocese. Please see noticeboards for more information. Applications on or before 1st February 2017.

Remembrance Service: Portiuncula University Hospital, Monday 6th Feb, 7.30pm in Hospital Chapel. This is a service for parents who have experienced bereavement through the death of a child or who have lost a baby through miscarriage, stillbirth or neonatal death.

Kilnadeema-Leitrim hurling club Lotto Results:

Numbers Drawn: 10,14,18,20. No Jackpot winner. One match three winner:

Frank Lynch, Loughrea. Next Jackpot €4,800

Shamrock's camogie medal presentation for u10s, u14s & u16s in Loughrea Hotel on Sunday 22nd January at 4pm.

Shamrock's camogie 50/50 January 15th winner Michael Curley.

TAD Club Social, Saturday 4th Feb. in the Meadow Court Hotel. Tickets form Maloney's Shop, Harney's and Holohan's and the Club Officers.

RHS Home Care: Non-commercial home care provider. Recruiting Healthcare assistants. Fetac/QQ1 Level 5 required. email: jobs@rshhomecare.ie

The Seumas O'Kelly Players will run a night of original plays written by local authors in Loughrea library on the 27th of January at 7.30. Tickets, €5, will be on the door. For any info call or text Daniel at 085-2810895

The Kilconieron Camogie Club Bingo fundraiser that was postponed in November is now on the 28th of January in the Meadow Court Hotel at 8.30pm sharp. €500 jackpot to be won. Your support is much appreciated.

There are a number of places left on the 4 week Jobs Club course at Loughrea Family Resource Centre. If you would like help with CV preparation etc., you can book your place by contacting us on 091 871149. Please support Loughrea FRC by donating your unwanted clothes, textiles, shoes (in pairs), handbags etc. (In clean condition) to our Clothes Banks in Supervalu and Station Road Car Parks.