

The Parish of Leitrim Ballydugan/Kilmeen.

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(The parish newsletter is available on-line @ www.clonfertdioocese.ie)

Fifth Week of Easter: Mass Times

Date	Time	Church	Intention
Saturday 13th May	6.30pm.	St. Andrew	Pat Moran (6th Anniversary)
Sunday 14th May	11.00am.	St. Jarlath	Michael and Mai Callanan
Monday 15th May	8.00am.	St. Andrew	Private Intention.
Tuesday 16th May	8.00am.	St. Andrew	Private Intention.
Wednesday 17th May	8.00am.	St. Andrew	Private Intention.
Thursday 18th May	8.00am	St. Andrew	Private Intention.
Friday 19th May: No Mass			
Saturday 20th May	6.30pm.	St. Andrew	Catherine and Andy Flynn
Sunday 21st May	11.00am.	St. Jarlath	Tony Molloy (22nd Anniversary)

Eucharistic Ministers:

Saturday 20th May: Patricia O'Brien. Sunday 21st May: Mary Horan.

Readers:

Saturday 20th May: Aisling Casserly. Sunday 21st May: Shane Fahy.

Collections 6/7th May €544.30. Clonfert Priests Retirement Fund: €478.54.

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 May: That Christians in Africa, in imitation of the Merciful Jesus, may give prophetic witness to reconciliation, justice and peace.

Blessing of Graves with a Rosary Prayer for all our deceased relatives, friends and neighbours: Monday 15th May: **Leitrim New Cemetery**. Tuesday 16th May: **Kilcooley Cemetery**. All services are at 8.30pm and please come prepared for the weather conditions on the day.

Baptism, Sunday 21st, May at 12 noon, St Jarlath Church.

Congratulations to all our pupils from both schools who celebrated their First Holy Communion. Thanks to their teachers and parents for all their encouragement and work in preparation for this sacrament.

World Meeting of Families 2018: Volunteers needed to foster leadership in our Diocese. Training provided. Contact Marie Burke at 083-8791745.

Pray a decade of the rosary a day for the month of May.

Clonfert Knock Pilgrimage: Sunday 28th May, 2,30pm with blessing of the sick. All welcome.

Learning for Life: Free Event. Loughrea Hotel, Thursday 18th from 10 - 1pm. Cookery, Commerce, Crafts etc. Contact: 091-844335.

Reflection: Doors. The bolted door of my house, the place of my intimate life, my dreams, hopes, sufferings and moments of happiness, is locked against others. And it is not simply a matter of the physical house; it is also the whole area of my life, of my heart. All the time there are fewer who can cross that threshold. The security of reinforced doors protects the insecurity of a life which is becoming more fragile and less open to the riches of the life and the love of others. The image of an open door has always been a symbol of light, friendship, happiness, liberty and trust. How we need to recover them. The closed door does us harm, reduces and separates us. - Pope Francis.

Readings for this weekend: No one can come to the Father except through Christ. The Church must work so that all peoples may come to the Father. Working together in love, all God's people can build up the kingdom in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ, our high priest.

Free Bealtaine Musical Festival event at St Brendan's Community Nursing Unit, Loughrea. Thursday 18th May. 1.30-3pm. Hosted by Loughrea Family & Community Resource Centre, Music by Evoke, Refreshments served, All welcome

St Raphael's College Parents' Association will hold its annual Church Gate Collection this weekend, May 13th/14th at Leitrim & Ballydugan Churches. All funds raised will be used to support vital initiatives within the school such as the book rental scheme. Your support would be much appreciated. Thank you.

Intensive study camp for Junior and Leaving Certs in Study Hub Loughrea from Monday 29th of May to Tuesday 6th of June. Times 10am -5pm. Cost €60. Contact Breda Coughlan 086 3792360 places limited.

Kilnadeema-Leitrim hurling club Lotto Results: Numbers Drawn: 8, 9, 13, 31 No Jackpot winner. Two match three winners: Pat Egan, Mountbellew and Pdraig Hawkins, Kilnadeema. Next weeks Jackpot €6,400. Congratulations to the winners of recent ticket draw. Sellers prize: Mike Walsh. Coldplay tickets: Eve Boyle The Fureys & 2 night stay at The Gleneagles: Margaret Headd

Ramblers United U7 & U8 training every Sunday in Leitrim Pitch, 12pm. €2 cover charge, no annual membership.

Local History Training. The South East Galway Archaeological and Historical Society, in partnership with the Irish Workhouse Centre, are offering a free six-week training course on local history. The course will be given over six Saturdays in the Workhouse Centre, starting at 11:30am. on June 3rd.

Fit for Fun. The Irish Workhouse Centre are managing this year's Fit for Fun Festival from June 9th-11th. It promises to be a fantastic weekend with lots to interest all ages - from Lego and activity workshops and an exploration dome for children, to a charity cycle and heritage events for adults.

For more, phone 0909 759200, or visit <http://irishworkhousecentre.ie/events>

A thought: Don't save anything for a special occasion. Life is a special occasion.

Catholic Doctors' Conference: A one-day conference on "Ethical Issues in Contemporary Medical Practice 2017" with national and international speakers at Emmaus Retreat Centre, Swords, Co. Dublin, on Saturday 20th May 2017, 9am to 5pm. Cost €100, including lunch. Further information and on-line registration at www.icdln.ie Irish Catholic Doctors' Learning Network.

