

# The Parish of Leitrim Ballydugan/Kilmeen.

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## Sixth Week of Easter: Mass Times

Date	Time	Church	Intention
Saturday 5th May	6.30pm.	St. Andrew	Tommy Moran
Sunday 6th May	11.00am.	St. Jarlath	Tony Molloy (23rd Anniversary)
<b>Monday 7th May: No Mass</b>			
Tuesday 8th May	8.00am.	St. Andrew	Private Intention
Wednesday 9th May	8.00am.	St Andrew	Private Intention
Thursday 10th May	8.00am.	St. Andrew	Private Intention
<b>Friday 11th May: No Mass</b>			
Saturday 12th May	6.30pm.	St. Andrew	Catherine and Andy Flynn and Mike Kenny (Months Mind).
Sunday 13th May	11.00am.	St. Jarlath	Mary Teresa, Laurence and Francis Healy

### Eucharistic Ministers:

Saturday 12th May: Catriona Kenny. Sunday 13th May: Patricia Treacy.

### Readers:

Saturday 12th May: Maria Kennedy. Sunday 13th May: Daniel Fahy.

**Collections:** 28/29th April: €518.53. The second envelope and collection this weekend is for the Priests Retirement Collection. Please give as generously as you can. **Trócaire 2018: €5,509.00.** Thank you for your very generous support of this annual collection. It is greatly appreciated.

### Pray for the sick of the Parish:

Remember in your prayers any parishioner that may not be in good health.

**The Pope's Intention for May:** That the faithful may fulfil their specific mission, by responding with creativity to the challenges that face the world today.

**Our sympathy to Jimmy Spaight** (Newtowndaly) and family on the recent death of his mother, Breege (Clonlara). May she rest in peace.

### Dates for your diary:

Tuesday 8th May, Blessing of Graves, Leitrim Old Cemetery, 8.30pm

Wednesday 9th May, Blessing of Graves at Ballydugan Cemetery, 8.30pm

Saturday 12th May, First Holy Communion, Kilcooley NS, 11am, Ballydugan.

Sunday 20th May, Clonfert Pilgrimage to Knock, 2.30pm

Sunday 27th May, Mass to celebrate the role of Grandparents in our faith life, Community Centre, 4pm

**Reflection:** We cannot improve on God's plan for our happiness. God loves us better than we love ourselves, and he has a better knowledge of our needs and of our heart than we have ourselves, and he has the will and the power to satisfy all the longings of our heart, if we only trust him. - Eugene Boylan Oco.

Reading this Weekend: Through Baptism and Confirmation we have been given the Holy Spirit, that same Spirit who gave Christ the victory over the world. This Advocate is our support in the difficulties of life. The Spirit of truth convinces us of the meaning and value of the Christian way.

**Papal Mass, Phoenix Park, Sunday 26th August:** Book your seat on our Parish Bus this weekend or following days. Seats limited. First come basis. €15 on booking. There will be some walking involved in this event so come prepared. Bring packed lunch. Book with Eleanor Flynn, Mary Callanan or myself.

**All-Ireland Rosary Rally:** Knock, Saturday 2nd June. Celebrant: Bishop Kevin Doran. Homilist: Fr John Walsh OP. 2pm. All welcome.

**Loughrea Carers' Support Group** annual fund-raiser tea dance in the Arch Bar on *this Sunday evening 6th May from 5 to 8pm*. Tea, sandwiches and hot food served. Spot prizes. Music by Two Johnny's. Tickets €5.

**Burren Outdoor Retreat:** Friday - Saturday 18-19th May. Interested contact Mary at 087-9701130 or Noirin at 087-9459151.

**Referendum on the Eight:** see [www.chooselife2018.ie](http://www.chooselife2018.ie)

**Lough Derg 2018:** Season has opened for one day retreats in May. Phone: 071-9861518.

**Loughrea Darkness into Light: Saturday 12th, 4.15am in aid of Pieta House.**

**On Mary:** Mary's virtues are not popular in the world around us. They seem the very enemies of the success and satisfaction the world preaches. But to those who follow her example Mary becomes the Mother of the resurrection life Jesus has won for us by his death on the cross. For that resurrection life is not something that awaits us after death if it has not begun for us already here and now in our daily lives. - Fr James O'Kane.

**Monday Women's Circle @ Loughrea Family & Community Resource Centre,** every Monday morning 11am - 1pm. Arts, Crafts, Social Connection, Tea & Coffee-free to all.

**Kilnadeema Leitrim Hurling Club Lotto results** for Saturday April 28th, Numbers drawn: 4, 10, 14, 19, No jackpot winner, eight match three winners, Miko Burke, Eamon Connors, Louise Reynolds, John and Mary Horan, Shane Broderick, James Donnellan, William Shannon, Bridie Whelan. Jackpot next week €3,700

**Shamrock's camogie 50/50 winner April 29th Kayn Boyle.**

**Higher Level Leaving Cert Irish Intensive 1 Day Course** covering Paper 1 and Paper 2. Teacher Mary Linnane who is a State Examiner, will go through exam techniques and how to get maximum points!! Venue: Study Hub Loughrea. Date: Sunday 13th May. Time 9am to 2.30pm. Contact Breda 086 3792360 booking essential.

**11th Annual Clare Burren Marathon Challenge:** May 26th. See [www.clareburrenmarathonchallenge.com/](http://www.clareburrenmarathonchallenge.com/) or phone 087-7779714.

**A thought:** There is magic power in gentle words.