

The Parish of Leitrim Ballydugan/Kilmeen.

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

Second Week of Advent: Mass Time

Date	Time	Church	Intention
Saturday 8th December	6.30pm	St. Andrew	Dympna and Paddy Guerin
Sunday 9 December	11.00am	St Jarlath	Laurence and Madeline Forde.
Monday 10th December	7.50am.	St. Andrew	Private Intention
Tuesday 11th December	8.00am	St. Andrew	Private Intention
Wednesday 12th December	8.00am	St. Andrew	Private Intention
Thursday 13th December	7.50am	St. Andrew	Private Intention
Friday 14th December: No Mass			
Saturday 15th December	6.30pm	St. Andrew	Packie and Claire Clarke
Sunday 16th December	11.00am	St Jarlath	Kathleen, John, Mary- Ellen Healy

Eucharistic Ministers: Saturday 15th: December Patricia O Brien.

Sunday 16th December Mary Callanan

Readers: Saturday 15th December: Helen La Branche.

Sunday 16th December: Ryan Keleghan

Collections: 1/2nd December: €396.60. St Vincent De

Paul: €758.07. Thank you for your contributions. The second envelope and collection next weekend is for the priest's salary. Please give as generously as you can.

Pray for the sick of the Parish:

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

Pope's Intention for December: That people, who are involved in the service and transmission of faith, may find, in their dialogue with culture, a language suited to the conditions of the present time

Dates for your Diary:

Sunday 9th December: 6pm, Carol Service, St Jarlath Church followed by refreshments in the Community Centre afterwards. All welcome.

Bambellini Sunday: 15/16th December. Bring your baby Jesus crib figure to Mass this weekend for a blessing.

A thought: Create a welcome in your home.

Reflection: Emmanuel - God-with-us. No one can celebrate a genuine Christmas without being truly poor. The self-sufficient, the proud, those who, because they have everything, look down on others, those who have no need even of God - for them there will be no Christmas. Only the poor, the hungry, those who need someone to come on their behalf, will have that someone. That someone is God, Emmanuel, God-with-us. Without poverty of spirit there can be no abundance of God. St. Oscar Romero.

Readings this weekend: God's promises to us are fulfilled in Jesus Christ. We look forward to the Kingdom when, pure and blameless, we will reach the perfect goodness which Christ produces in us.

Loughrea Lions Club: Annual Concert, Tuesday 18th December at 8pm in the Loughrea Hotel. Tickets €10 and can be purchased from Keary's Auctioneers, Loughrea Hotel or any Lions Club member.

Society of St. Vincent de Paul contact number: 086-0551134

Congratulations and best wishes to Bridget Larkin who celebrates her 104th birthday on Wednesday 12th December.

Warmer Homes Grant Public Information:

see www.midlandswarmerhome.com or phone 090-6488292.

Family Carers Ireland, thank most sincerely the parishioners for their contributions to their recent Church Gate collection. The total raised is €392.11. The proceeds will be used to provide emergency respite and supports/services for family carers in the local area.

Clonfert Diocese Advent Faith Development Gathering, Sunday 9th December, 3 -5pm, Scoil an Chroi Naofa, Society St.

Ballinasloe. Speaker: Fr. Benny McHale. Topic: The Holy Land as the 5th Gospel. All welcome.

The annual Sale of Work will take place on Sunday 16th December from 5:30pm in the Community Centre. All funds raised from the Sale of Work go towards the upkeep of our Community Centre.

Kilnadeema Leitrim Hurling Club lotto: Saturday December 1st.

Numbers drawn: 1, 4, 10, 23. no jackpot winner. One match three winner: Sean Kenny, Newtowndaly. Jackpot next week. €4.100.

The Holy Family Nursing Home, Killimor would like to invite Senior Citizens to their Residents Annual Christmas Party on Sunday 9th December at 2pm.