

The Parish of Leitrim Ballydugan/Kilmeen.

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

Fourth week in Ordinary Time

Date	Time	Church	Intention
Saturday 2nd February	6.30pm	St. Andrew	John and Agnes Kenny
Sunday 3rd February	11.00am	St Jarlath	Michael Mannion
Monday 4th February	7.50am	St. Andrew	Private Intention
Tuesday 5th February	8.00am	St. Andrew	Private Intention
Wednesday 6th February	8.00am	St. Andrew	Private Intention
Thursday 7th February	7.50am	St. Andrew	Private Intention

Friday 8th February: No Mass

Saturday 9th February	6.30pm	St. Andrew	Brigid, Thomas and Sean Madden
Sunday 10 February	11.00am	St Jarlath	Caterina and John Duane

Blessing of throats and candles at both Masses this weekend.

Eucharistic Ministers: Saturday 9th February: Imelda Cunniffe.

Sunday 10th February: Mary Callanan.

Readers: Saturday 9th February: Niamh O'Brien.

Sunday 10th February: Izzy Fahy.

Collections 26/27th January €450.15: Thank you for your contributions.

The second collection this weekend is the annual Lourdes Collection.

Please give as generously as you can. Thanks to all who supported the recent

Cystic Fibrosis Church Gate Collection: the total collected is €346.00.

Pray for the sick of the Parish:

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

Pope's Intention for February: For a generous welcome of the victims of human trafficking, of enforced prostitution, and of violence.

Congratulations and welcome to the faith community to Cayden Paul Flynn who was baptised last Sunday in St Andrew Church.

Parish Pastoral Council Meeting: Tuesday 5th February at 8.30pm in the Community Centre.

Pastoral Ministry Co-ordinator: Clonfert Diocese has a vacancy for this position (19.5 hrs) among the responsibilities will be (a) John Paul II Awards, (b) developing lay-led parish liturgy and (c) supporting primary school catechetical

programme. Please send applications by email to clonfertdi@gmail.com or by post to The Office Administrator, Clonfert Diocese, Coorheen, Loughrea, Co. Galway.

H62 TD82 by Friday 15 February 2019.

Remembrance Service for bereaved parents will be held in Portiuncula Hospital Chapel on Monday 4th February at 7.30pm.

Reflection: Christ and the Word. Not only is Christ speaking when we articulate the Scriptures, but his person is rendered truly present as in the holy Eucharist, though in a different way, one appropriate to the form and manner of language. Hence just as he is on the altar as real heavenly manna in the form of ordinary bread and wine, so he is there at the lectern as divine Wisdom in the form of ordinary human speech. As truly present indeed as when he appeared as Lord and Saviour of the world in the form of ordinary human flesh. - Oliver Treanor, Speaking on God's Behalf. (Dublin: Veritas). p.31.

Readings this Weekend: Jesus has come as the prophet to all nations. There is no limit to the mercy and salvation he brings, only the willingness to accept him

The Parish Finance Committee: A meeting of this committee was held on Tuesday 22nd January to peruse the Parish Accounts. It was noted that the Parish Current Account is presently meeting all its needs. However, the Priests Revenue Account is falling short of its target. The Parish debt/loan at the end of last year is €73,707.27. A copy of the Accounts is posted on the noticeboards.

Eucharist Ministers: We need two or three volunteers to become Eucharistic Ministers. Please consider this very important ministry for your church and people. You can contact me at the above number.

Kilnadeema Leitrim Hurling Club lotto: Saturday January 26th.

Numbers drawn: 14, 22, 27, 28. no jackpot winner, one match three winner, Liam Geraghty, Aille. Next Week's Jackpot €4,900

Beginning Experience Weekend: 5-7th April: If you have lost a spouse through death/divorce/separation then contact Gerry at 086-3855090 or Maureen at 087-6646896 to register. Course will be held in Esker.

Retrouvaille: A support for married couples. Next programme, 8 - 10th February. Contact: Tony/Anne 014953536 or Mike/Anne 014500922 or see www.retrouvaille.ie.

Midlands Warmer Homes: Call 090-6488292 or info@midlandwarmerhomes.ie.

Anam Cara Galway: Information evening, Wednesday 6th February at 7.20pm in the Clayton Hotel. See www.anamcara.ie.

Loughrea Family Resource Centre: Places on Rainbow Separation Programmes 2019. 7-8-year olds and 11-12-year olds. Contact Aine @ (091) 871149

An afternoon of Music: Sunday February 3rd at 3pm junior sessions starting in Boula Hall. All juniors and beginners are invited to attend and showcase their developing talents. We are asking competent musicians of all ages to attend to give their support, encouragement and tips to the 'new musicians' as this is how we all learned. Everyone welcome, more info see our Facebook page "South-East Galway Comhaltas"

The Seumas O'Kelly Players present their Spring Comedy, A Wake in the West on Saturday and Sunday February 23rd and 24th in the Temperance Hall, Loughrea

Medjugorje Irish Centre Pilgrimages: April- Oct. €279 per person sharing for 7 nights. Call 01-4434510 or email: reservations@medirishcentre.com

During the laming season, keep your dog indoors or within your sight at all times.

A thought: Remember, growing old is mandatory, growing up is optional. Don't wait to grow old to grow up.