

The Parish of Leitrim Ballydugan/Kilmeen.

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The Second Week of Lent

Date	Time	Church	Intention
Saturday 16th March	6.30pm	St. Andrew	Ann Dillon
Sunday 17th March	11.00am	St Jarlath	Richard and Frances Evans and Kathleen and Michael Darcy.
Monday 18th March: No Mass			
Tuesday 19th March	8.00am.	St. Andrew	Private Intention
Wednesday 20th March	8.00am	St. Andrew	Private Intention
Thursday 21st March	7.50am	St. Andrew	Private Intention
Friday 22nd March: Stations of the Cross, St. Jarlath, Ballydugan, 7pm			
Saturday 23rd March	6.30pm	St. Andrew	Mary and Michael Lalor
Sunday 24th March	11.00am	St Jarlath	Special Intention and John, Ellen Shiel and Family

Eucharistic Ministers: Saturday 23rd March: Patricia O'Brien.

Sunday 24th March: Maureen Walsh.

Readers: Saturday 23rd March: Frieda Crowe.

Sunday 24th March: Andrew Watkins.

Collections: 9/10th March: €473.17. Lenten Collection: €837.63. Thank you for your contributions. The second collection this weekend is for Emigrants. 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 March: That Christian communities, especially those who are persecuted, feel that they are close to Christ and have their rights respected.

Choir Notice: that due to the Bank Holiday the next practice will be Monday 25th March

Kilcooley NS is now enrolling for next September. Contact or visit the school at any time. Phone: 091-843292.

Forth coming events:

Tuesday 19th March, First Confession for Leitrim NS, 7pm, St. Andrew Church

Wednesday 20th March, First Confession for Kilcooley NS, 7pm, St Jarlath Church.

Sunday 24th March, 12.15pm Baptism, St Andrew Church. 1.15pm Baptism, St Andrew Church.

A thought: Tír gan teanga, tír gan anam. (A country without a language is a country without a soul.)

Emigration: It continues to have a significant effect on our society as thousands of people travel abroad in search of new opportunities, leaving behind loved ones and creating a void in Irish families and parish communities. Over 208,000 Irish Citizens emigrated in the last six years and more than 420,000 people of all nationalities left our shores during that time...As a Church and a people we must continue to reach out to those who are affected by emigration. - Bishop John Kirby, Chair of the Irish Episcopal Council for Emigrants.

Trócaire Box: If you did not receive your Trócaire Box last weekend there are some in the foyers of the churches for pick up. Thank you.

Kilnadeema Leitrim Community Games: There will be a Church Gate collection next weekend in support of Kilnadeema Leitrim Community Games. All monies raised will go directly towards the funding of further development of KL Community Games. Thank you for your ongoing support.

Daffodil Day Friday 22nd March A coffee morning will be held in Leitrim/Ballydugan community centre on Friday March 22nd from 10.30am to 1.30pm in aid of the Irish Cancer Society. All money raised goes directly to the Irish Cancer Society. Everyone welcome to call in for a cuppa.

Kilnadeema Leitrim GAA Lotto. Draw Date: 9th March. Jackpot: €3100. Numbers Drawn: 17, 23, 29, 30. No Jackpot Winners. Lucky Dip Winners: Tom & Mary Kelly, Mary Moran, Patrick Molloy, Frank Walsh, Geraldine King. Next Week's Draw will be held in The Hill, Jackpot €3200.

Ballinasloe Musical Society present the musical Sister Act in the Town Hall, March 19th - 23rd at 8pm nightly.

Silent Retreat: Esker. April 22- 28th. Cost €380. Contact Helen at 086-1678027 or email hellywilliams@gmail.com.

Pilgrimage to the Holy Land. November. 8 nights. To Fatima and Lisbon in June, 9th - 14th. Contact James at 086-0572216 for more details.

Alzheimer's Society of Ireland's fundraiser on the Camino, 14-21 September. If interested contact Jarlath at 01-2073826 for more information.

Carmelite Teresian Friars 2019 Pilgrimage to Lourdes, 7 nights 28th August - 4th September. Contact Ann at 087-2919078 for more details.

John Paul II Award Scheme: Transition Year, 5th and 6th Years are encouraged to participate. Contact your local priest or Ms Marie Burke at 083-8791745 for more details.

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

Crisis in the Catholic Church: The Lay Response by the Lumen Fidei Institute in the Loughrea Hotel & Spa at 7.30pm, Thursday 21st March.

South East Galway Archaeological and Historical Society lecture will be on Thursday 28th March at the Irish Workhouse Centre at 8pm and will be given by Sean Hogan on 'The Politics of Revolution in Tipperary 1913-1923'

Reflexology appointments available at Loughrea Family Resource Centre on Thursday March 21st. Reduced rate of €20 per session. All proceeds go to our Counselling Service. Call us on 091 871 149 for an appointment