

The Parish of Leitrim Ballydugan/Kilmeen.

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The Fourth Week of Lent

Date	Time	Church	Intention
Saturday 30th March	6.30pm	St. Andrew	Kathleen Gannon (5th Anniversary)
Sunday 31st March	11.00am	St Jarlath	Vincent Cannon and Rosaleen Cannon
Monday 1st April	7.50am	St. Andrew	Private Intention
Tuesday 2nd April	8.00am	St. Andrew	Private Intention
Wednesday 3rd April	8.00am	St. Andrew	Private Intention
Thursday 4th April	7.50am	St. Andrew	Private Intention
Friday 5th April: Stations of the Cross, St. Jarlath, Ballydugan 7pm			
Saturday 6th April	6.30pm	St. Andrew	Gertie Kenny
Sunday 7th April	11.00am	St Jarlath	Assumpta Haskins (2nd Anniversary) and Maureen Flanagan (4th Anniversary)

Eucharistic Ministers: Saturday 6th April: Imelda Cunniffe.

Sunday 7th April: Gerry Hernon.

Readers: Saturday 6th April: Patricia O'Brien.

Sunday 7th April: Michael Stapleton.

Collections: 23/24th March. €529.89. Thank you for your contributions.

Pray for the sick of the Parish:

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

Pope's Intention for April: For doctors and their humanitarian collaborators in war zones, who risk their lives to save the lives of others.

Congratulations and welcome to the faith community to Cormac Edward Lyons and Tom óg Francis Tierney who were baptised last Sunday in St. Andrew Church.

Summer time begins this weekend. Put your clocks forward one hour.

Sunday 31st is Mother's Day. We wish all mothers a restful and memorable day. May God bless all our mothers.

Trócaire Box: Keep filling your box as every cent counts!

Readers Meeting, Monday 1st April at 7pm in St. Andrew Church.

Parish Pastoral Council Meeting, Tuesday 2nd April at 8.30pm in the Community Centre.

Choir Practice continues at 7.30pm on Monday nights in St. Jarlath Church.

Reflection: Humble Holiness - Humility and holiness go hand in hand - but what is humility? The Psalmist sheds light on this when he prayed: 'Not to us, O Lord, but to your name give glory' (Psalm 115). St. Catherine of Siena echoed this prayer when she described what God had said to her in a vision: 'The humble soul knows that all she is and every gift she has is from me, not from herself, and to me she attributes all.' The humble have a real sense that God is the good Creator and they are creatures, poor beggars before the throne of God, loved by God, called to serve their neighbour, who is created in the image and likeness of God (Genesis 1:26). - Walk with Me, 2019, p.42.

Readings this Sunday: This Sunday is also called Laetare Sunday.

Sinners and outcasts are at ease with Jesus, and his story of the prodigal son tells why. Today's readings are a source of hope and consolation for all who have sinned in any way. Our Lord's eating with sinners is a sign of God breaking through his own laws in order to save those who are in danger of being lost.

Beginning Experience Weekend: 5 -7 April in Esker. Contact Gerry at 086-3855090 or Maureen at 087-6646896.

Benedictine Retreat for Men: Rostrevor, 18 - 40 year olds, 18 -21 April. Contact Fr. Thierry at 028-4139979 or bebdictinemonks@binternet.com.

All-Ireland Rosary Rally. Knock, Saturday 1st June. Celebrant: Bishop Fleming. Homilist: Fr. Frank Fahy.

Knock Icon Painting Workshop: 30th - 1st Oct and 2 -8th October by Theodore Papadophoulous. See www.thoedoreicons.com/knock.

Anam Cara Galway: Parents Evening. Wednesday 3rd April www.anamcara.ie or phone: 085-2888888.

Friends for Life: Talk by Gianna Care at the Loughrea Hotel on Monday 1st April at 6.30pm. Gianna Care help women and families throughout unexpected pregnancies and when the baby is born. All welcome.

Kilnadeema Leitrim GAA Lotto. Draw Date: 23rd March. Jackpot: €3,300. Numbers drawn: 3, 19, 22, 29. No Jackpot Winner. Match 3 winners; Cathal Nevin; Gerry Donohue; Leo Finn; Sabrina Kenny; Peter Sheehan. Next Week's Jackpot €3,400.

The annual general meeting of Ballydugan/Kilmeen community alert group will take place on Wednesday 3rd April at 8pm in Kilcooley National School. All members welcome to attend

Study Hub Loughrea: Easter Revision courses for Junior and Leaving certs students in **Maths, Irish, English, French and biology.** Small classes, excellent notes and comprehensive advice on exam techniques from highly qualified teachers. Book directly on website <http://www.studyhubloughrea.ie> or call Breda **086 3792360.**

Texas Hold'Em' poker event will take place in 'The Beautiful Bird', Lawrencetown on Friday 12th April at 8 p.m. Tickets €20. All proceeds go towards Lawrencetown N.S.

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

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

A thought: What the heart knows today the head will understand tomorrow. - James Stephens.