

## The Parish of Leitrim/Ballydugan/Kilmeen

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#### The First Week of Lent:

##### Saturday 29th February 6.30. St. Andrew Church:

Eamon Hyland and Celia Hyland

##### Sunday 1st March 11am. St. Jarlath Church:

Sylvester and Christina Clarke and the deceased members of the Clarke and Donnellan families.

Monday 2nd March. St Andrew Church: 7.50am. Private Intention.

Tuesday 3rd March. St Andrew Church: 8.00am. Private Intention.

Wednesday 4th March. St Andrew Church: 8.00am. Private Intention.

Thursday 5th March. St Andrew Church: 8.00am. Private Intention.

Friday 6th March. No Mass

##### Saturday 7th March 6.30. St. Andrew Church:

Ann Dillon. Marie Lyons (Months Mind)

##### Sunday 8th March 11am. St. Jarlath Church:

Bridie and Mick Quinn

#### Stations of the Cross: Friday 6th March, Ballydugan at 7pm. All welcome.

**Readers:** Saturday 7th March: Cathal Lenehan.

Sunday 8th March: Andrew Watkins.

**Eucharistic Ministers:** Saturday 7th March: Patricia O'Brien.

Sunday 8th March: Gerry Herson.

**Collections:** 15/16th Feb: €416.54. 22/23rd Feb: €487.29. Thank you for your contributions. The second envelope and collection this weekend is the Lenten Collection. Please give as generously as you can.

**Trócaire Box:** If you didn't pick up your Trócaire Box last weekend there are still some available this weekend.

*Please pray for parishioners who are ill at this time.*

**Pope's Intention for March:** Catholics in China - We pray that the Church in China may persevere in its faithfulness to the Gospel and grow in unity.

**Eucharistic Ministers needed for both churches. If you wish to participate in this ministry please contact me at the above number or email address as soon as possible.**

**Kilnadeema-Leitrim Community Games** are holding a fundraising table quiz in The Hill bar, Kylebrack on Saturday 29th February at 8,30pm. Tickets €10 are available from Joanne Tiernan 087-9575395 or Kevin Boyle 087-6237533 or on the night. All welcome! All support gratefully appreciated.

**Community Health Club: Social Dancing.** Leitrim/Ballydugan Community Centre. 7pm-8pm every Sunday evening. Admission: €5 per household. All welcome.

**Reflection:** God has entrusted the Church to keep childhood alive, to safeguard our candour and freshness. Joy is the gift of the Church; whatever joy is possible for this sad world to share. What would it profit you even to create life itself, when you have lost all sense of what life really is? - George Bernanos.

**Readings this weekend:** The Church has in mind the catechumens throughout the world who set out today on their great preparation for the Easter Vigil when they will become Christians. The faithful, who are already baptised, are the concern of the Church too. They must be awakened once more to the meaning of being in Christ. The faithful join with the catechumens in the struggle against the powers of darkness, confident that where sin abounded, grace abounds still more.

**Parish Pastoral Council Meeting:** Tuesday 3rd March at 8.30pm in the Community Centre  
**Bealtaine Festival 2020:** Celebrating Creativity as We Age. Family and friends sing songs they love. Phone: 01-8057709 or email: [bealtaine1@ageandopportunity.ie](mailto:bealtaine1@ageandopportunity.ie) for more information in setting up a group.

**Foyer of Charity:** Esker Retreat. 3-19th April. Preached by Fr. Kilian Byrne. Cost €380 full board. Contact Helen @ 086-1678027 or email: [hellywilliams@gmail.com](mailto:hellywilliams@gmail.com)

**Clonfert Lenten Adult Faith Development Gathering:** Sunday March 8th, 2.30 - 5pm. Talk by Bishop Michael Duignan. See [www.creideamh.ie/gathering](http://www.creideamh.ie/gathering).

**West Offaly Training Courses:** Phone: 057-9152003 for more details. Starting in March.

**Beginning Experience Weekend:** 3-5th April in Esker. Contact Maureen at 087-6646896 or Mary at 087-9384446 for more detailed information.

**Pioneer Lenten Pledge.** Take a short term or long-term pledge.

See [www.pioneerassociation.ie](http://www.pioneerassociation.ie) for more information.

**Clonfert Diocesan Pilgrimage** to Hungry under the leadership of Bishop Michael Duignan. 15-21st Sept. 2020. Gyor and Budapest. Cost: €845 per person sharing. Limited places. Contact Isabelle at 091-841560.

**Our Lay of Clonfert Church Restoration Appeal for Financial Support:** If interested in doing so send donations to Parish Office, Eyrecourt, Ballinasloe, Co. Galway H53 KX85 or phone 090-9675113.

**Accord Ballinasloe:** Phone: 090-9643573 or email: [ballinasloeaccord@eircom.net](mailto:ballinasloeaccord@eircom.net).

**ALHomecare:** Do you need a live carer for an elderly person? Call Eileen or Tom at 087-9916791. See also [www.alhomecare.ie](http://www.alhomecare.ie) for more information.

**Cancer Reflexology:** Home calls available. Contact Louise at 087-2347333.

**Emmanuel House of Providence Clonfert:** 7 Weeks of Life in the Spirit Seminars. Mass included. 2.30 - 5pm. Contact Theresa at 0579151552.

**Catechism of the Catholic Church - Day of Reflection** at Knock. Saturday 28th March. Contact Maírin at 087-7950325 or email: [caoifrain@hotmail.com](mailto:caoifrain@hotmail.com).

**A thought:** A person who has not done one half his day's work by ten o'clock, runs a chance of leaving the other half undone. - Emily Bronte.

**Seven Springs Cycling Club** presents The Buns 'n' Bikes Coffee Morning in aid of Cancer Care West. Sunday March 1st in St. Brigid's College Sports Hall at 10.30am. - 1pm. Charity auction at noon. All welcome to support.

**Kilnadeema Leitrim GAA Lotto.** Draw Date: 23rd February. Jackpot: €8,100. Numbers Drawn: 20, 24, 25, 30. No Jackpot Winner. No Match 3 Winners. Lucky Dip Winners: Kevin Walsh; Triona Kennedy; Sarah Broderick; Amy Stankard; Pdraig Hawkins. Next Week's Draw in The Hill Bar, Jackpot €8.200