

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE CATHEDRAL THIS WEEK

Mon. 11am Nora Loughnane	8pm No Evening Mass
Tues. 11am William & Margaret Dowler	8pm Fr. John Scully
Wed. 11am Power family	8pm Peter Clarke
Thurs. 11am People of the Parish	8pm Paddy & Johanna Connaughton
Fri. 11am Bertha Heavey Costello	8pm Personal Intention
Sat. 11am Padraic Keane MM	8pm Sean O'Regan
Sun. 10am James & Ellen Tuohy	12 noon John & Molly Conneel

No 8pm Mass in the Cathedral on Monday 1st May 2017

<p><u>Ministers of the Word</u> Sat. 6th May 8pm Frances Blake Sun. 7th May 12 noon Mattie Quinn</p>	<p><u>Ministers of the Eucharist:</u> Sat. 6th May 8pm D. Shaughnessy, A. Gardiner Sun. 7th May 10am M. Joyce Sun. 7th May 12 noon E. McKiernan, A. McTigue, F. Martin</p>
<p><u>Mass Servers</u> Team F Sat. 6th May 8pm Team D Sun. 7th May 10am Team E Sun. 7th May 12noon</p>	<p><i>Cathedral Collections:</i> Offertory: €1,105</p>


R.I.P Please pray for the repose of the soul of Mary Browne, late of Kells, Co. Meath, mother of Raymond Browne, Kincullia, Loughrea, and Mary McDonald nee Griffin, Acrebeg, Masonbrook, Loughrea, who died recently.

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE CARMELITE ABBEY THIS WEEK

Please note 8am Mass Intentions are now in Mount Carmel

Mon. 8am Nancy Leahy	10am Tom & Ann Flanagan
Tues. 8am Malachy Keavney & decd. family	10am James & Nora Callinan
Wed. 8am Pat Darcy	10am Sean Keenan, James O'Leary and John & May Collins
Thurs. 8am Andrew Moran	10am Mamie, Katie, Dollie and Ursula McGuinness
Fri. 8am Joe & Ellen Whyte	10am Nancy Leahy
Sat. 8am Daly & O'Donnell families decd.	10am Patrick, Christina & Michael Kelly
Sun. 9am Charlie Keane	11am Andrew Moran 6pm Margaret Gaffey

<p>Bethany Bereavement Group 087-2109396</p>	<p>Society of St. Vincent de Paul 086 - 0551134</p>
<p><u>World Meeting of Families Ireland. For more info., www.worldmeeting2018.ie</u></p>	



LOUGHREA CATHEDRAL & CARMELITE ABBEY
The Presbytery 091 – 841212 The Abbey 091 – 841209
Website – loughreacathedral.ie clonfertdiocese.ie
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Third Sunday of Easter Sunday 30th April 2017

SEEING YOUR LIFE THROUGH THE LENS OF THE GOSPELS Luke 24:13-35

1. Jesus joined the despondent disciples and listened to them. 'We had hoped ...' When you have been upset or disappointed, who has joined you along the road? To whom have you been able to pour out your heart? Who was a 'Jesus person' to you, listening to you in respectful silence? To whom have you been a Jesus person?

2. Jesus then helps them to see things in another light by opening the scriptures to them. When did you have the experience of finding your heart 'burning within you' with new hope for the future? Who/what helped you to change after a setback?

3. The disciples invite Jesus to join them at table – there follows a recognition of who he is. We meet many people on the road of life. Usually we meet and pass on. Occasionally we meet someone whom we invite into our homes, into our hearts, in a deeper way, in a way we had not done before. With whom has this happened for you? Where in these relationships have you experienced the presence of God or of Jesus?

4. After Jesus had gone the disciples went to bring the good news to others. When have you met others who told you what happened to them along their road? What effect did this sharing have on you? When have you done this with others? When was such a conversation 'good news' for you or others?

John Byrne OSA (Intercom Magazine)

MUSINGS

Pounding hearts, wounded hearts and burning hearts ... the image of the human heart permeates the beautiful Easter Gospel of the two disciples on the road to Emmaus. It is a very human story, full of pathos; stylized in pattern, and suggesting a Eucharistic celebration. The disciples come with their questions and doubts; the Scriptures are recited; words of clarification and instruction are exchanged on the road; and finally, the moment of recognition comes in the context of a meal.

The stranger on the road to Emmaus takes the skepticism and curiosity of the disciples and weaves them into the fabric of the Scripture. Jesus challenges them to reinterpret the events of the past days in light of the Scriptures.

At table in Emmaus, the disciples' hearts began to gradually burn within them as they came to understand with their minds the truth about the suffering Messiah. The 'Good News' descended from their head to their heart, and they experienced that strange and wonderful feeling of their hearts gradually on fire. The analogy of the 'burning hearts' is the only way for them to adequately describe their recognition of the Lord.

I remember a beautiful phrase of the great French Catholic author of the last century, François Mauriac: 'If you are friends with Christ many others will warm themselves at your fire ... On the day when you no longer burn with love, many will die of the cold.' Father Thomas Rosica, CSB CEO (Intercom Magazine)

Our Lady of Clonfert Masses and Devotions for May 2017. Evening Mass Monday to Saturday at 8pm. Also Mass each Friday at 12noon.

Further details, call 0909-675113 or email stbrenseyrecourt@eircom.net.

Carmelite/Teresian Friars Pilgrimages to Lourdes, 30th Aug.- 6th Sept. 2017. For more details, contact Ann @ 087-2919078

'The 1st Darkness into Light Walk in Loughrea' in aid of Pieta House, on May 6th @ 4.15am starting at Fire Station. Register online at dil.pieta.ie. Local pop up registration event in SuperValu, 28th & 29th April, 12-4pm. For further details, call [0879292656](tel:0879292656)

Day Retreats at Knock Shrine 6th May, 'Resting in the Arms of God' 10am-4pm. Fee €30 lunch included. To book, call 094-9375355 or email faithrenewal@knockshrine.ie

Pilgrimage Season at Knock Shrine Fr Richard Gibbons and staff are delighted to announce the opening of the official pilgrimage season at Knock from Sunday 30th April. Masses and Ceremonies will take place daily in addition to a wide range of services at the Shrine.

Knock Counselling Centre will host 6 evening Anger Management Programme, starting Tues. 2nd May @ 6.30pm. Contact 094-9375032, 086-7737715 or www.knockshrine.ie

Lough Derg Pilgrimage 2017:- Season opens for One Day Retreats on Mon. 1st May. Retreats continue on May 6, 7, 9, 13, 14, 16, 20, 21, 22, 27, 28 & 29. Booking essential @ 071-9861518 or email info@loughderg.org.

The Apostolate of Eucharistic Adoration, National Annual Pilgrimage to Knock will be held Sun. Apr. 30th. Starts 11am, Confessions;3pm, Holy Mass;4pm, Eucharistic Procession. Everyone most welcome.

Esker Retreat Centre A Day retreat Sun. May 7th, also in Esker Myers-Briggs, May 19th-21st. Call 09184459 or www.redemptoristsesker.ie for more details.

Loughrea Family Carers- Annual Fundraiser Tea Dance in the Arch Bar, L'rea, Sun. Apr. 30th, 5-8pm. Music by the Two Johnny's. Please support.

ACCORD:Catholic Marriage Care Service CLG is seeking a Centre Services Support Person for Accord Ballinasloe Centre for 8.5 hours p/w. Flexibility in both hours and work responsibilities will be required. Further details, contact Mary @ 090-9643916 stmichaelsballinasloe@eircom.net

Family Carers Ireland are currently recruiting for Home Care Workers. If you hold a QQI Level 5 Award in Healthcare Support or equivalent and have undertaken Patient Moving & Handling Training we would like to hear from you. Call 091-880418 or email a copy of your CV to admingalway@familycarers.ie

The Windstealers, East Galway Youth Theatre present Jane Madden's satiric broadside on small town corruption, in Loughrea Library on May 5th at 8.30pm. Tickets €5 and can be purchased on the door.

BAFFLE'S Bealtaine Festival Night, Loughrea Library Fri. May 19th @ 7.30pm. Theme: Our Library. For more info., see next weeks Connacht Tribune or baffle poetry society Facebook page or call 085-7239561

St. Brendan's Boys' N.S. Clothes Collection on Wed. May 10th. Bags may be dropped to the school Mon. 8th or Tue. 9th May. Your support would be greatly appreciated.

RNLI MAYDAY COLLECTION: outside SuperValu and Aldi Mon. 1st May. Please support. If you can volunteer to help please call Clodagh-[0863067179](tel:0863067179).

Faithcast is the new weekly podcast from catholicnews.ie, the news source for the Irish Catholic Bishops' Conference. Presented by Brenda Drumm, Faithcast is a mixture of interviews and news snippets from the Catholic Church in Ireland. It is published every Monday and is available on catholicnews.ie.

Vacant Property – Have you a residential property that has been vacant for at least a year and requires repairs to bring it up to standard for renting? If the answer is YES, then you may wish to avail of a new Repair & Leasing Scheme offered by Galway County Council. Further info. available from the Housing Unit, Ph:091-509003, email:housing@galwaycoco.ie, visit:

www.galway.ie/housing

Invitation to Stroke Support Group Launch & Information Evening at the Shearwater Hotel, B'sloe, Tues. 2nd May, 7.30pm-9pm. All welcome.

RSVP Martina- Email: mgreene@irishheart.ie or text:087-6057696

Clonfert Diocese's Post-Primary Schools Public Speaking Competition takes place Thurs. May 4th, 7.45-9.15pm in Scoil an Chroi Naofa, Ballinasloe. No charge. All are welcome. (Supporting Young People Find A Language For Their Faith & Fundraising Toward Youth Participation in Lourdes pilgrimage)

Loughrea Comhaltas trad session in the Abbey 1st and 3rd Sat. of the month, all musicians and abilities welcome. For details, call 0871337326.

Hurling Club Lotto Winning numbers: 12, 27, 28, 31. No winner. Next week's jackpot €11,800.

Temperance Hall Events

Loughrea Rugby Club Bingo every Friday night @ 8.30pm.

Loughrea Activity Assoc. No Meeting Bank Holiday Monday. Bowling: Mondays 1.30-3.30pm, Tuesdays 11am-1pm.

Squash Club Tuesday at 8pm. Phone Leo at 087-2238829

Get Fit, Lose Weight, Meet People L'rea Athletic Club caters for all abilities, male & female adults. Meeting Tuesdays & Thursdays 7pm. For details, contact Joan:085-1457083, Joseph:087-8394698 or loughreaathleticclub.com

Dance Aerobics Suits all fitness levels, Tuesday @ 7.30pm. Drop in class, pay as you go. Tel: 087-9379563.

Karate Classes Members Mon. & Wed. 7-9.30pm. Tel: 087-6133297

Vinaya Yoga (Flow Yoga) Continuation Wed. 6.00-7.30pm, Beginners 7.30-8.30pm. Contact Liz Kirby: 087 6314581 for booking.

Whist Every Thurs. at 8pm in the Supper Room. New members welcome.

Irish Dancing Classes Mon. & Fri. at 5pm. For school going children age 4 and upwards. Call Mary Fraughen Barrett @ 091-841438/087-9597560.

Dancing for Children Thurs. Junior dancers 6-7pm, Senior dancers 7-8pm. Adult set dancing 8.30pm-10.30pm. Call Bridie @ 087-6202451

Sean Nos Dancing every Mon. Call Bernie: 086-3731547.

Over 60's 'Healthy Spine' Wed. 11.15am. Chartered Physiotherapist tuition, men and women. €10 pay as you go class. Phone: 086-3329493

Ultra-Flex School of Dance- Classes Saturdays, 1.30-5.30pm. For more details, contact Aoife: 085-7396602.

Yoga Classes Monday mornings. Contact Julia at 086-2608039

Line Dancing Class Wed. 8.30-9.30pm. Extra class 6.30-7.30pm. Tel: Sean Casey @ 087-9761692 for more details.

