

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE CATHEDRAL THIS WEEK

Mon. 11am William Kelly & family	8pm Merci Cunnane
Tues. 11am Vincent Fahy	8pm Confirmation Preparation Mass
Wed. 11am Private Intention	8pm Christina Monaghan
Thurs. 11am People of the Parish	8pm Carty family, The Hill
Fri. 11am Nancy Donovan	8pm Charlie Keane
Sat. 11am Holy Souls	8pm Michael Furey
Sun. 10am Breeda Sweeney	12 noon Jim Staunton

<u>Ministers of the Word</u> Sat. 13th May 8pm Mary Nix Sun. 14th May 12 noon Tommy Flynn	<u>Ministers of the Eucharist:</u> Sat. 13th May 8pm D. Fahy, P O'Sullivan, D. Quinn Sun. 14th May 10am M O'Brien Sun. 14th May 12 noon M. Murphy, A. McTigue
<u>Mass Servers</u> Team C Sat. 13th May 8pm Team B Sun. 14th May 10am Team A Sun. 14th May 12noon	
Cathedral Collections: €1,055 Offertory: €435 Second Basket Collection this weekend is for the Clonfert Priests' Retirement Fund	

Baptisms: We welcome into God's family Oliwier Domino, Banogue, L'rea, Davi Lemes Miranda, Carraig Mór, L'rea and Rosalia Kaminska, Baunoge, L'rea.


R.I.P Please pray for the repose of the soul of John Randles, late of Kilgarvan, Co. Kerry, brother of Pat Randles, Athenry Road, Loughrea.

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE CARMELITE ABBEY THIS WEEK

Please note 8am Mass Intentions are now in Mount Carmel

Mon. 8am James & Mary Jo Farrell	10am Michael Silke
Tues. 8am Dan Lyons	10am Eugene Mullaney
Wed. 8am Mary Ferguson - Intention	10am Pat & Mary O'Donnell
Thurs. 8am Dr Martin, Deirdre & Elizabeth Dyar	10am Thomas Casey
Fri. 8am Rita, Jack & Christy Shaughnessy	10am Joe Grace
Sat. 8am Jim, Annie & Maureen Quinn	10am Private Intention
Sun. 9am Molly Greally	11am Gerry Allison
	6pm Tommy Lally

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



LOUGHREA CATHEDRAL & CARMELITE ABBEY
The Presbytery 091 – 841212 The Abbey 091 – 841209
Website – loughreacathedral.ie clonfertdiocese.ie
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Fourth Sunday of Easter Sunday 7th May 2017
World Day of Prayer For Vocations

SEEING YOUR LIFE THROUGH THE LENS OF THE GOSPELS John 10:1-10

1. In the Middle East, it was the task of the shepherd to find water and pasture and to ensure safety. In your life who have been the people who nourished you and gave you security? For whom have you done this?

2. Important to the shepherd's ability to give security to the sheep is the fact that he was known and familiar to them. They recognised his voice. Does this resonate in any way with your experience?

3. We are familiar with the image of Jesus as the shepherd. The image of Jesus as the door (or gate) is not so familiar but is one that merits attention. Jesus presents himself as the door through which we pass and find life. What are the doors through which you have passed and found life: a situation, a place, a book, an experience, a person? For whom have you been a door to a richer life?

John Byrne OSA (Intercom Magazine)

MUSINGS - Touched and Transformed

Those who are drawn by God's voice and determined to follow Jesus soon discover within themselves an irrepressible desire to bring the Good News to their brothers and sisters through proclamation and the service of charity. All Christians are called to be missionaries of the Gospel! As disciples, we do not receive the gift of God's love for our personal consolation, nor are we called to promote ourselves, or a business concern. We are simply men and women touched and transformed by the joy of God's love, who cannot keep this experience just to ourselves. For 'the Gospel joy which enlivens the community of disciples is a missionary joy (Evangelii Gaudium, 21).'

Pope Francis – Message for Vocations Sunday 2017
 The first big moment of vocation is baptism. The anointing of chrism at baptism might be called the anointing for vocation.
 The baptismal vocation is for witness, love and service. This is expressed in ways in which people live out their baptism in married life, single life – and within the single life, maybe religious life or priesthood.
 In a place of silence, let the words 'Come, follow me' echo in your mind and heart. Lord, be with me as I offer myself in partnership with you to work in your world.
 Donal Neary SJ Messenger Publications (Intercom Magazine)

Confirmation Preparation Mass in the Cathedral on Tuesday May 9th at 8pm for the boys and girls from sixth class in St. Brendan's and St. Ita's Primary Schools.

WMOF 2018: (World Meeting of Families 2018): Volunteers required!! Every parish will be involved in organising and participating in events at local and national level in preparation for WMOF2018. We want to make this a special event in our Diocese and use it as an opportunity to foster leadership of lay people in each parish. Training will be provided. No matter how small or limited your time please think about getting involved. We need your help. For more info., contact your Priest or Diocesan Co-Ordinator @ 083-8791745.
St. Joseph's Young Priests' Society monthly meeting Tues. 9th May at 8.30pm in the Presbytery.

St. Padre Pio Mass and Devotions, second Tuesday of the month, 8-9pm
May Prayer Meeting in Mt. Carmel Chapel, Wed. May 10th at 7.45pm. This year is Centenary of Fatima Apparitions so we hope to honour Mary, our Heavenly Mother, our sister and our friend always

Nation Wide Public Rosary for Ireland celebrating the Centenary of the first apparition of Our Lady at Fatima on 13th May 1917. Loughrea Venue Sat. 13th May, on Main St. (opposite Hope's Bakery) at 12noon. Please join us to pray for our Nation. For more details, contact 085-1591714

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

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.

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

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.

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

Free Bealtaine Festival Musical Event at St Brendan's Community Nursing Unit, Loughrea. Hosted by Loughrea Family & Community Resource Centre, Music by Evoke, Refreshments served. All welcome.

Learning for Life Series-Information Day on free courses available locally. Drop in to L'rea Hotel & Spa, Thurs. 18th May, 10am-1pm. Anything from Cookery, Commerce, Craft, Construction to Computer skills. Tel:844335/email:fgarman@grd.ie

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 is appreciated.

Loughrea Anglers Association will commence a youth angling initiative programme in May and will run for a series of weeks each Thursday evening. The programme will consist of Fly dressing, fly casting, safety and general angling skills. The programme will be conducted by newly appointed youth officer and qualified Professional Game Angling instructor Robert Reilly with the assistance of Loughrea Anglers Association committee members. Registration will take place in the Temperance Hall on Thursday May 11th at 7.30pm
Ladies Get into Golf lessons beginning soon. Information evening at the Club on Tues. 9th May at 7 p.m. Declan Cunningham Golf Pro will be present. If interested, please come along and bring a friend. You will be very welcome.
BAFFLE'S Bealtaine Festival Night, Loughrea Library Fri. May 19th @ 7.30pm. Theme: Our Library. For more info., see Facebook page or call 085-7239561
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.
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: 4, 5, 7, 10. 6 match 3 winners. Next week's jackpot €11,900.

Temperance Hall Events

Loughrea Rugby Club Bingo every Friday night @ 8.30pm.

Loughrea Activity Assoc. Meeting Monday at 7pm.

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

Vinyasa 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.

