

**MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE CATHEDRAL THIS WEEK**

<b>Mon. 11am</b> Willie & Mary Quinn	<b>8pm</b> Decd. mbrs. of McGrath family and Joe Egan
<b>Tues. 11am</b> Paddy Shalvey	<b>8pm</b> Daisy Tully
<b>Wed. 11am</b> Bridget & Thomas Shiel	<b>8pm</b> Jim Flaherty
<b>Thurs. 11am</b> People of the Parish	<b>8pm</b> Slattery family
<b>Fri. 11am</b> Christy McCormack	<b>8pm</b> Bridie Whelan MM
<b>Sat. 11am</b> Dympna Sylver MM	<b>8pm</b> John Reilly
<b>Sun. 10am</b> Michael Deely	<b>12 noon</b> Sarah Kelly

<p><b><u>Ministers of the Word</u></b>  <b>14<sup>th</sup> Feb. 11am Ash Wednesday</b> Mary Nix  <b>Sat. 17<sup>th</sup> Feb. 8pm</b> Jane Doheny/Aisling Quinn  <b>Sun. 18<sup>th</sup> Feb. 12 noon</b> John Hayes</p>	<p><b><u>Ministers of the Eucharist:</u></b>  <b>Sat. 17<sup>th</sup> Feb. 8pm</b>                  M. Doyle, M. Joyce, M. Murphy  <b>Sun. 18<sup>th</sup> Feb. 10am</b> M. Healy  <b>Sun. 18<sup>th</sup> Feb. 12 noon</b>                  M. Connolly, E. McKiernan and A. Gardiner</p>
<p><b><u>Mass Servers</u></b></p> <p><b>Team C</b> Sat. 17<sup>th</sup> Feb. 8pm  <b>Team D</b> Sun. 18<sup>th</sup> Feb. 10am  <b>Team E</b> Sun. 18<sup>th</sup> Feb. 12 noon</p>	
<p><b><i>Cathedral Collection: Offertory: €1,220</i></b></p>	

**R.I.P.** Please pray for the repose of the soul of Mary (Maureen) Hehir, Dolphin St., Loughrea, Mary Madden, Coscorrigh, Loughrea, Jim Sweeney, late of Abbey Terrace, Loughrea, who died in England, Sean Kelly, Moore St., Loughrea and Mark Madden, West Bridge, Loughrea, who died recently.

**Baptisms:** Please welcome into God’s family Montanna Darcy, Tullahill, Loughrea.

The **Second Basket Collection** next weekend is the Diocesan Lenten Collection. Please support, as this money is used to meet the administrative costs of the Diocese.

**MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE CARMELITE ABBEY THIS WEEK**

<b>Mon. 8am</b> Fr Jimmy McCaffrey	<b>10am</b> Jim Lenahan
<b>Tues. 8am</b> Deceased mbrs. of the Carmelite Order	<b>10am</b> Mary & Thomas Mullins
<b>Wed. 8am</b> Robert & Rosaleen Donoghue	<b>10am</b> Michael Deeley
<b>Thurs. 8am</b> Frank & Bridget Martyn	<b>10am</b> Tommy, Kathleen & Maura Kelly
<b>Fri. 8am</b> Christy Niland	<b>10am</b> James Merrick & all decd. family
<b>Sat. 8am</b> Gerry & Rose-Lynn Connelly	<b>10am</b> William Conlon
<b>Sun. 9am</b> Nora & Patrick Wood	<b>11am</b> Patricia Finnerty
	<b>6pm</b> Anna Glynn



**LOUGHREA CATHEDRAL & CARMELITE ABBEY**

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**The Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time – 11<sup>th</sup> February 2018**

Our Lady of Lourdes - World Day of the sick

**Ash Wednesday** marks the beginning of the season of Lent. Ashes will be distributed after 11am and 8pm Masses on Wednesday. Ash Wednesday is a day of **fast** and **abstinence**. Fasting means that the amount of food that we eat is considerably reduced. Abstinence means that we give up a particular kind of food or drink or form of amusement. Those over 18 are bound by the law of fasting until the beginning of their sixtieth year whole and all over fourteen years are bound by the law of abstinence.

**Stations of the Cross** during Lent will take place in the Cathedral on Wednesdays and Fridays after 8pm Mass.

**Trocaire Boxes** are available at the back of the Cathedral and will also be distributed through the schools.

**Worldwide Day of Prayer for Survivors and Victims of sexual abuse will be marked in Clonfert Diocese on Friday 16<sup>th</sup> February in St Brendan’s Cathedral Loughrea with a Holy Hour at 6pm lead by Bishop Kirby to pray for Survivors and Victims of sexual abuse**

**Towards Peace**

Towards Peace is a service offering spiritual support to people who have experienced abuse, be it physical, emotional, sexual and /or spiritual abuse, which was perpetrated by Church personnel, individually or institutionally. Funded by the Irish Catholic Bishops’ Conference and the Association of Missionary and Religious in Ireland (formally CORI and IMU), the vision of Towards Peace is to provide a safe supportive space for people and their families, whose spiritual life has been damaged by abuse. It is also a response to the continually growing understanding of the spiritual impact of the trauma of abuse. Through spiritual accompaniment with a trained spiritual director Towards Peace endeavours to accompany people as they seek their own experience of spiritual peace one step at a time. There is no predetermined roadmap on this journey. Each person travels at their own particular pace. The service is free of charge.

For further information please contact the Towards Peace office:

Phone: 00353 (0)1 5053028 Email: [towardspeace@iecon.ie](mailto:towardspeace@iecon.ie)

Website: [www.towardspeace.ie](http://www.towardspeace.ie)

Postal Address: Columba Centre, St. Patrick’s College, Maynooth, Co Kildare.

**St Padre Pio** Mass and Devotions, 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of the month, 8-9pm  
**Prayer Meeting** with the Carmelite nuns takes place next Wednesday, 14<sup>th</sup> February, at 7.45pm in Mt. Carmel Chapel. Spring has come and all of nature is waking up and celebrating new life, reminding us to thank God for His precious gift of Human Life to us all.

**The World Meeting of Families 2018** will attract thousands of Irish and International pilgrims. Organising it will only be possible with the help of volunteers. To sign up call 01-5676800, email [volunteer@worldmeeting2018.ie](mailto:volunteer@worldmeeting2018.ie)

**Registration for WMOF2018 Events** Individual pilgrims and families can now register for the main three-day WMOF2018 Congress, August 22<sup>nd</sup>-24<sup>th</sup>, guaranteeing your ticket(s) for the Festival of Families on Sat. 25<sup>th</sup> Aug. and for the Closing Mass, Sun. 26<sup>th</sup> Aug. Register at [www.worldmeeting2018.ie](http://www.worldmeeting2018.ie)

**Latin Mass** in the Old Rite (Tridentine), takes place in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel, Knock, on Sunday, February 11<sup>th</sup> at 5.30pm

**Foyer of Charity Silent Retreat:** Theme: "If you but knew the gift of God.." Preached by Fr. Kilian Byrne. Venue: Feb. 26th to March 4th, St. Mary's Hostel, Knock, Co. Mayo. Cost: €425 full board. Contact: Helen: 086-1678027, email: [hellywilliams@gmail.com](mailto:hellywilliams@gmail.com) or [www.foyerofcharity.ie](http://www.foyerofcharity.ie)

**Knock Shrine:** Knock Counselling Service are running a 2-day Anger Management programme on Sat 14th & Sun 15th April. Contact Peter Devers at 09493 75032 or log onto [www.knockshrine.ie](http://www.knockshrine.ie)

**Centering Prayer Weekend Retreat** at Esker Retreat Centre, 23rd-25th Feb. Facilitated by Contemplative Outreach Ireland. To register, phone Maeve or Patricia at 091-844007, Mon-Fri 9am-5pm or Sat 10am-3pm

**Lenten Crusade** of prayer, penance and fasting to protect Ireland from abortion. Please pledge your support. For details, contact Patrick Buckley @ 087-2578250 or [patrickgbuckley44@gmail.com](mailto:patrickgbuckley44@gmail.com)

**Holy Land Pilgrimage 2018** organised by Fr Benny McHale, Athenry, from June 26th-July 6th. Please contact Fr Benny at 091-844227 to book your place.

**Lourdes Clonfert Diocesan Pilgrimage** 28<sup>th</sup> Aug.-2<sup>nd</sup> Sept. 5 nights, hotel, full board, insurance, air fare, coach, €725. Book with Society Travel @ 0909645350

**Heartsaver CPR & AED** upcoming training courses for family carers. If interested contact HSE Carers Dept, @ 091-879466 before Fri., 23<sup>rd</sup> Feb.

**The Irish Cancer Society** operates a free transport service for patients attending hospital for chemotherapy treatment. Patients wishing to avail of this free service should contact their healthcare professional, visit [irishcancer.ie](http://irishcancer.ie) or contact the Irish Cancer Society at 01-2310522. Volunteer expenses are paid.

**ACCORD** are committed to providing a professional counselling service for individuals and couples who are experiencing difficulties in their marriage and relationships. This confidential service is available and affordable. Contact 090 9643573 for appointment or E-mail [ballinasloeaccord@eircom.net](mailto:ballinasloeaccord@eircom.net)

**Pro-Life Rally** Sat. 10<sup>th</sup> March in Dublin. Bus leaving Tynagh/Loughrea area. If interested in booking a seat, contact Jackie 087-9422356/Eamon 087-2561521

**Loughrea Family Resource Centre** Cuidu Breastfeeding support group will meet Mon. 12th Feb. at 10.30-12noon, and the second Monday of the month thereafter. Please contact 091-871149 for more details. Also, Monday Women's Circle meets every Mon. 11am-1pm at the Family Resource Centre, promoting mental health and social connection through arts & crafts, All Welcome.

**Social Bridge** in the Loughrea Hotel & Spa, Mon. @ 11am

**Atlantic Hearing Services** holds a hearing clinic in Brogan's Pharmacy, Loughrea, by appointment. Home visits also available. Tel: 087-9622244  
**Clerical** position with Loughrea Parish Council CLG., Community Employment Scheme. Applicants must meet the eligibility criteria for CE Schemes. Please submit CV to the Parish Office, Barrack St., L'rea. Closing date 23<sup>rd</sup> Feb., 2018.  
**Loughrea Rugby Club** Re-runs on the Runway - A wacky night of fashion and entertainment in the Loughrea Hotel and Spa, Thurs. 22<sup>nd</sup> Feb. at 8pm. Tickets €20 and are available from Tom O'Brien's shop, Moylan's Bar or ring Geraldine at 087-4109639. Loughrea Rugby club thank you for your support.

**Mid Term Intensive Study** at Study Hub Loughrea, Mon. 12th Feb. to Sat. 17<sup>th</sup>, 10am-3.30pm, cost €8 per day. Contact Breda for details @ 0863792360

**Yoga** Mondays: Children aged 5-8, 3.15-4pm, 9-12 year olds 4.15-5pm. €30 for four weeks. Tues. classes 10.30-12pm. €40 for four weeks.

Wed. Yoga for everyone, 7-8pm at Loughrea Boxing Club. €40 for any five classes. Call Kate to book @ 085-7504420

**Set-Dancing Classes** Family Resource Centre, Thurs. 6.30-8pm Children, 8.30-11pm Adults. Children advance class Fri. 6-7.30pm. All welcome. Call Bridie @ 087-6202451 after 5pm.

**Sean Nós Dancing** Family Resource Centre. Call Bernie @ 086-3731547  
**Yoga Classes** in Loughrea Youth Theatre, Monday and Thursday @ 8pm. Call Julia @ 086-2608039 for details.

**Power Soccer** moving to St Brigid's College from February 24<sup>th</sup>. Contact 091-865350, 086-1956424 or [info@powersoccer.ie](mailto:info@powersoccer.ie) for more details.

**Hurling Club Lotto** Winning numbers: 2, 13, 25, 29. One match 3 winner. Next week's jackpot is €5,900.

### Temperance Hall Events

**The Seumas O'Kelly Players** present Big Maggie by John B. Keane on Thurs. March 1<sup>st</sup>, Sat. March 3<sup>rd</sup> and Sun. March 4<sup>th</sup> at 8 pm. Tickets €10 in advance from T.L. O'Brien's, Main Street, Loughrea, €12 on the door. For further information, please contact 083 8633796.

**Loughrea Youth Project** coffee morning, Friday, Feb. 16<sup>th</sup> 11am-1.30pm. For details, contact Rachel @ 087-7814882 or on Facebook @ Loughreayouthproject

**Loughrea Rugby Club** Bingo every Friday night @ 8pm. Jackpot €10,000 plus huge cash prizes. Comp tea, coffee. Great night out for all the family.

**Loughrea Activity Assoc:** Meeting Monday @ 7pm.

Bowling: Mon. 1.30-3.30pm, Tuesday, 11am-1pm

**Line Dancing Classes 2018** Tea Room (side entrance) on Wednesdays. Beginners class at 7pm, main class at 8pm. Everyone welcome. Contact Sean Casey @ 087-9761692.

**Karate Classes:** Beginners & members-Mon. & Wed. 7.30-9pm. Ladies, gents and children over 8 years of age are welcome.

**Dance Aerobic Classes:** Tuesdays, 7.30pm. 0879379563. Pay as you go!

**Fraughen School Of Irish Dancing** Mon. & Fri., juniors 5-6pm, seniors 6-7pm. Adult class Tues. 7.30pm. Class in St Ita's school Wed. 3-4pm.

**Whist** every Thurs. in the Supper Room @ 8pm. New members welcome.

**Parent and Toddler** Every Wed. 10am-12pm. €3 per family. All welcome.



