

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE CATHEDRAL THIS WEEK

Mon. 11am Decd. mbrs. of Porter family	8pm No Evening Mass
Tues. 11am Gerard Doyle	8pm Power family deceased
Wed. 11am Bridie McDermott	8pm Jimmy Conway
Thurs. 11am People of the Parish	8pm Graham Hutson
Fri. 11am John & Mary Cullinan	8pm Mark Madden MM
Sat. 11am Sean (Seanie) Kelly MM	8pm Carmel O'Rourke
Sun. 10am Amir Talebzadeh and Omid Talabzadeh	12 noon Mary Kate, John and Teresa McHugh

No 8pm Mass in the Cathedral on Monday, 19th March 2018

<p><u>Ministers of the Word</u> Sat. 24th Mar. 8pm N. - Mary Nix O. - Ann Flynn</p> <p>Sun. 25th Mar. 12noon N. -Tommy Flynn Palm Sunday O. - Mattie Quinn</p>	<p><u>Ministers of the Eucharist:</u> Sat. 24th Mar. 8pm A. McTigue, M. O'Brien, P. O'Sullivan</p> <p>Sun. 25th Mar. 10am D. Shaughnessy</p> <p>Sun. 25th Mar. 12 noon D. Quinn, J. Fitzgerald, M. Chambers</p>
<p><u>Mass Servers</u> Team D Sat. 24th Mar. 8pm Team E Sun. 25th Mar. 10am Team F Sun. 25th Mar. 12noon</p>	
<p><i>Cathedral Collection: Offertory: €1,189 Restoration: €590</i></p>	


Baptisms: We welcome into God's family Cara Ann Starr, Cosmona, Loughrea.

R.I.P. Please pray for the repose of the soul of Mary Ellen Connolly (mother of Mark Connolly, retired Garda) Milltown, Tuam, who died recently.

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE CARMELITE ABBEY THIS WEEK

Mon. 8am Donors Intentions	10am Nora & Patrick Coleman
Tues. 8am Anthony & Elizabeth Connaughton	10am Grace family deceased
Wed. 8am Fr Bernard	10am Joe Lawless
Thurs. 8am Donors Intentions	10am Joe, Nora & deceased members of Cleary family
Fri. 8am Donors Intentions	10am Michael, Bridget & Liam Myers
Sat. 8am Eithna Gardiner Sylver	10am Larry Smith
Sun. 9am Martin Flynn	11am Ann Broderick & Sr Philippa
	6pm Pauline Lester, Eileen Breene, Patrick & Katie Carty

<p>Bethany Bereavement Group 087-2109396</p>	<p>Society of St Vincent de Paul 086-0551134</p>
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LOUGHREA CATHEDRAL & CARMELITE ABBEY

The Presbytery 091 – 841212 The Abbey 091 – 841209

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The Fifth Sunday of Lent – 18th March 2018

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

Remember to use your Trocaire Boxes. With the support of people in Ireland, Trocaire will deliver humanitarian aid to over two million people in crisis.

“to lend your neighbour a helping hand is to keep the commandments.” Ecclesiasticus / Sirach 29:1. This St. Patrick's weekend we celebrate the huge change brought about in the developing world which is made possible by the generosity of people in Ireland. Trócaire reached 2.6 million people last year with support – parents trying to feed their children, communities struck by disaster, refugees fleeing conflict, men and women whose rights were being trampled. This support can only be provided by the ongoing solidarity shown by people here at home. www.trocaire.org

**OFFICIAL FAMILY PRAYER FOR
WORLD MEETING OF FAMILIES 2018**

God, our Father,
 We are brothers and sisters in Jesus your Son,
 One family, in the Spirit of your love. Bless us with the joy of love.
 Make us patient and kind, gentle and generous,
 welcoming to those in need.
 Help us to live your forgiveness and peace.
 Protect all families with your loving care,
 especially those for whom we now pray: *[We pause and remember
 family members and others by name].*
 Increase our faith, Strengthen our hope, Keep us safe in your love,
 Make us always grateful for the gift of life that we share.
 This we ask, through Christ our Lord, Amen

<p><u>World Meeting of Families</u> Ireland, For more info., www.worldmeeting2018.ie</p>
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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

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

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

Nationwide Public Rosary at our Mass rocks and Monastic ruins for Life & Faith, Sunday, March 18th at 2.30pm. For more details about a venue near you, contact 087-2786552 or email coastalrosaryireland@gmail.com

The 44th Eucharistic Loreto Vigil at Knock Shrine Sat. 24th -Sun. 25th March. The Vigil begins at 8.30pm with Eucharistic Adoration, Benediction & Veneration of the Precious Relic from the Holy House of Loreto. Mass at 11.30pm in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel with celebrant Fr Brendan Walsh, SAC.

'Quiet Days for Busy People' Day Retreat Sat. 24th March, 11am-3pm in the Prayer Guidance Centre, Knock. Fee €30 incl. lunch. To book, call 0949375355 or email faithrenewal@knockshrine.ie <<mailto:faithrenewal@knockshrine.ie>>

Féileacáin (stillbirth and neonatal death association of Ireland) are holding their Spring Remembrance Service in The Church of the Holy Family, Mervue, Galway, Sun., 25th March at 4pm. All are welcome. For further info., call 085 2496464.

Foyer of Charity Silent Retreat - April 2nd-8th, in Esker Retreat Centre. Cost incl. full board €380. For details, call 086-1678027/ hellywilliams@gmail.com

Radio Maria Ireland is an Irish-run Catholic talk-radio station. Listen via free app "Radio Maria Ireland", streaming on www.radiomaria.ie or via phone. Get live radio feed by calling +353 01-4373277. Please join our growing faith family.

Barnados – a professional service has been established for people who have been affected in any way by the events of St Mary's Mother & Baby Home in Tuam. Service is free and confidential. Helpline no. 091-399991

Daffodil Day Coffee Morning - takes place Thursday, 22nd March, Loughrea Library, from 11am-1pm. Pyjama Fun Run with Loughrea AC, Tuesday, 20th March, starting from the Temperance Hall @ 7pm. All in aid of Daffodil Day.

Charity Race Night: Family Carers Ireland will hold a fundraising Race Night followed by Karaoke in The Auld Triangle, L'rea, Fri., 23rd Mar., @ 8pm. MC for the night will be Galway Bay FM's Ollie Turner. All funds raised will be used to support those caring for a loved one at home. For more details, call 091 880418.

Understanding Climate Change with John Cleary in Loughrea Library, Thurs., 22nd March, 7pm. John offers a very enlightening presentation. For further info., call [0876890321](tel:0876890321). See www.angairdin.ie

Earth Hour: 24th March, 8.30pm-9.30pm. Each year Earth Hour is a time when we are invited to switch off all lights for one hour. Earth Hour is now celebrated in over 180 countries. Millions of people take part each year. It is a gesture of our care for creation and is the world's largest demonstration of support for action on Climate Change. www.earthhour.org

Atlantic Hearing Services holds a hearing clinic in Brogan's Pharmacy, Loughrea, by appointment. Home visits also available. Tel: 087-9622244

Social Bridge in the Loughrea Hotel & Spa, Mondays @ 11am

ACCORD Ballinasloe are committed to providing a professional and confidential counselling service for individuals and couples who are experiencing difficulties in their marriage and relationships. Contact 090-9643573 for appointment or email ballinasloeaccord@eircom.net

Study Hub Loughrea Easter Intensive Courses in Irish, Maths, French, Biology and Chemistry for Junior and Leaving Certs. Easter Open Study also available for all students. Week 1: 26th-30th March, 3-8pm. Week 2: 2nd-6th April, 11am-4pm. Pay as you go €8. Contact Breda @ 086-3792360

Loughrea Family & Community Resource Centre – 6 Week Free Creative Writing course starts Thurs., April 19th, 10.30am-12.30pm. Early booking recommended as numbers will be limited to 10 participants. Ph. 091-871149. Web Design, Digital Imaging/Photos, Touch Typing courses starting soon. Please call 091-871149 to register your interest.

GRETB Loughrea are planning to run an introductory community training course in family history and genealogy in the coming weeks. If interested, please contact John Melville at [091841387](tel:091841387) or email john.melville@gretb.ie

St. Brendan's Education Centre, Abbey St., Loughrea, have availability on Communications QQI Level 5 module, held on Thursdays, 6.30pm-9.30pm. If interested please call 091-841387 or email freda.murphy@gretb.ie

Easter Fairy Cake Camp in the Cosy Teapot, L'rea, 24th March to 7th April. Decorating cup cakes/cookies, dress up, fun & games. Call in to book your place.

Shamrocks Camoige Club Registration evening in Leitrim Community Centre, Fri., 23rd March, 6-7pm for new members, U 6's and U 8's. All welcome.

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

Hurling Club Lotto Winning numbers: 3, 6, 17, 19. Four match 3 winners. Next week's jackpot is €6,400.

Temperance Hall Events

Ceili: As part of St Patrick's weekend celebration, there will be a Ceili on Sunday, 18th March, from 8pm -11pm with Glenside ceili band. Admission €10.

Drama Workshop for over 55's commencing Thursday, 15th March, from 11.30am-12.30pm. €8 per week. For more details, contact 091-375381

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: No meeting Monday.

Bowling: Monday 1.30-3.30pm, Tuesday, 11am-1pm

Line Dancing Classes Tea Room (side entrance) on Wednesdays. Beginners class 7pm, main class 8pm. All 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.

