

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE CATHEDRAL THIS WEEK

Mon. 11am Personal Intention	8pm Mary McKeon
Tues. 11am Fr Sean Oxley	8pm Charlie Ward
Wed. 11am Personal Intention	8pm Paddy Moran
Thurs. 11am People of the Parish	8pm Catherine Randles
Fri. 11am Bridie, Michael & Daniel Keary	8pm Personal Intention
Sat. 11am Personal Intention	8pm Pauline Feeney
Sun. 10am Margaret Glynn	12noon Kathleen, Michael & Miria Rafferty

<p><u>Ministers of the Word</u> Sat. 4th August 8pm Michael Martin Sun. 5th August 12noon John Hayes</p>	<p><u>Ministers of the Eucharist:</u> Sat. 4th August 8pm D. Shaughnessy, J. Beatty, M. Doyle Sun. 5th August 10am A. Gardiner Sun. 5th August 12noon E. McKiernan, A. McTigue, M. Joyce</p>
<p><u>Mass Servers</u> Team B Sat. 4th August 8pm Team C Sun. 5th August 10am Team A Sun. 5th August 12noon</p>	
<p><i>Cathedral Collections: Offertory: €1,196 Restoration: €605</i></p>	

R.I.P. Please pray for the repose of the soul of Jim Sweeney, England, late of Abbey Tce, Loughrea, Mona Kelly, Cottage Hill, Loughrea, Teasie Bass, Limerick, (sister of Pattie O’Sullivan, Athenry Road) and Eva Sweeney (nee Gordon), Main Street, Loughrea and formerly of Tynagh, who died recently.


Baptisms: We welcome into God’s family Benjamin Salerno, Cottage Hill, Loughrea.

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE CARMELITE ABBEY THIS WEEK

Please note 8am Mass Intentions are now in Mount Carmel

Mon. 8am Gerard Geoghan	10am Mary Ann Moran
Tues. 8am Donors Intentions	10am Frank Sheil
Wed. 8am Jim Glynn	10am John, Mary & Jack Savage
Thurs. 8am Mary Ann Moran	10am John & Mabel Niland
Fri. 8am Donors Intentions	10am Bridie & Bernard Burke
Sat. 8am Donors Intentions	10am Michael Greally & Margaret Glynn
Sun. 9am Donors Intentions	11am John & Baby Gibbons
	6pm Joan McLoughlin

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



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Sunday, 29th July 2018
Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Seeing Your Life Through The Lens Of The Gospels John 6:1-15

1. At the heart of this story we are told that Jesus took the loaves, gave thanks and distributed them. In our day this reminds us of the Eucharist, the bread of life, with which Jesus feeds us. Can you recall an experience of Eucharist that was especially significant for you? What was it that made it different? How did it influence your understanding of the Eucharist?
2. Take, give thanks, distribute. The actions of Jesus also suggest an attitude to time, gifts and living. We take what we are given, give thanks, and use what we have. Have you found that having a grateful heart for what you have been given has made it easier for you to share with others?
3. From what seemed meagre and inadequate resources many were fed. When have you found that when you gratefully use what little resources you have the results are beyond your expectations?
4. Jesus chose to involve those around him in feeding the people. Have there been times when you have experienced benefits from calling on those around you to use their gifts to help with a task?

John Byrne OSA (Intercom Magazine)

THE DEEP END • JESUS COMES TO SERVE

In John’s version of the feeding of the five thousand, Jesus performs this great miracle and it is the sign the crowds were waiting for. There is a lot of rich symbolism in this passage referring to Jesus as the Bread of Life, the one who will satisfy people’s hunger, the great teacher. But perhaps the final lines tell us a lot about the type of ‘king’ Jesus really is. The crowds are so enthused by Jesus’ miracles and teaching that they want to ‘take him by force and make him king’. Jesus tries to discourage them from their own ideas of kingship. His kingship involves a different path to the one the crowd are expecting. Jesus is cautious and to escape the attention, perhaps to be alone and pray, he takes himself out of this situation and retreats to the mountain. It could be tempting to give in to the crowd and have them declare you as their king. Jesus’ example of leadership is service in today’s gospel, feeding the people, nourishing the people, meeting their needs. It also shows us how God can work with what we have to offer, no matter how little that sometimes is, he can turn this into much fruit.

A final lesson may be for those in authority of any sort that they know when it is time to leave the people they serve, to reflect on their mission, to recharge and nourish themselves. Only in this way can they listen to the Spirit and experience the inner freedom necessary to lead as servant.

Jane Mellett (Intercom Magazine)

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

God, our Father,

We are brothers and sister 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.

Cemetery Sunday this Sunday, 29th July. Prayer Service in
Garrybreeda Cemetery at 3pm and Mount Pleasant at 5pm.
Limited parking inside gate at Mount Pleasant.

WMOF2018 launches first ever digital animations on Amoris Laetitia and a new six-part TV series, as part of ongoing preparations for the World Meeting of Families and the visit of Pope Francis. Both of these new resources focus on Amoris Laetitia, the document written by Pope Francis on love in the family. 'A Journey through Amoris Laetitia' is available on www.amoris.ie/tv

The Carmelite Abbey – Graveyard. Volunteers are requested to assist with the care of this graveyard and your assistance would be appreciated. Cemetery Sunday will be Sun., 12th August, with outdoor Mass at 6pm. Volunteers will attend the graveyard on Saturday 11th August at 12 noon. Caretaker: Gerry 0879022592

Clonfert Pilgrimage to Lourdes August 28th - Sept 2nd, 2018. 5 nights, hotel, full board, insurance, air fare, coach, €725. Booking with Society Travel [090 964 5350](tel:0909645350)

Lough Derg 2018: The Three Day Pilgrimage is currently open. You may begin on any day until Mon. 13th Aug. Advance booking not necessary. Phone Lorraine on 071-9861518 or email: info@loughderg.org

The Irish Cancer Society needs 15 drivers for our Volunteer Driver Service in Loughrea to drive cancer patients to UCHG. We are looking for drivers with free weekday availability. All volunteer expenses are paid. If you would like to volunteer, please contact Laura @ 01-2310594 / transport@irishcancer.ie for application form.

Step by Step to Feed the Next Child Mary's Meals began feeding 200 children in Malawi in 2002 and is now feeding over 1,257,278 children every day in places of education. Our vision is that every hungry child receives a daily meal. It costs €15.60 to feed a child for a year. To raise funds and awareness of Mary's Meals, we are walking throughout Ireland. Walks are starting on 7th August from Malin, Derry, Armagh, Coalisland, Lurgan, Dublin, Kilkenny and Limerick and are all arriving in Knock on 15th August. Maybe you could get involved. You are invited to visit our website www.sbs4marysmeals.ie or phone Fr Eamonn Kelly on [0879077985](tel:0879077985).

Dyslexia and Literacy Difficulties - One-to-one tuition for children and adults with literacy difficulties. Classes throughout the summer break. Please contact Breda Mahony at 086-1604461 for further details.

Brunch in aid of St. Vincent de Paul Society, Loughrea, Sat. 18th August, Rooftop Garden, Lough Rea Hotel & Spa, 10.30am-1.00pm. Tickets €10. Available from the Hotel, Staunton's, Main St., Loughrea and members of SVP. Raffle and Prizes Galore, sponsored by members.

40k Cycle & 5k Walk/Run Sunday 5th August in aid of Cappataggle Community Association for Recreation and Sports & Sunflowers Chernobyl Appeal for special needs orphans. Registration 11am Dooley's Cappataggle, Cycle leaves for Loughrea at 2pm. Walk also starts at 2pm. Sponsorship cards from Joe Egan 087-1604436; Michael Byrnes 086-8226793; Seamus Garvey 086-8197810; Hannah Campbell 086-8503183;

Galway's Hidden Heritage Lecture Series 2018 – The Battle of Aughrim Visitor Centre will host free lectures discussing a variety of interesting topics relating to East Galway. The Talks take place at 2pm Fri., 3rd & 17th Aug. and Fri. 7th Sept. All are welcome. For info., call 09096-73939 / BattleofAughrim@galwaycoco.ie

Loughrea Family Resource Centre - 1:1 help with smart phone or tablet, Tuesday mornings by appointment. Phone 091-871149 for details. Proceeds to support the Family Resource Centre Counselling Service. 091-871149

Summer Camps at St. Therese Montessori School (only 4km outside Loughrea) for children aged 2yrs 8mths to 12yrs – Monday to Friday, 10am-1pm for July & August. Enquiries to Patricia Kenny @ 086-2485430

Summer Intensive Courses at Study Hub L'rea, 5th & 6th class Irish: 30th July to 3rd Aug., Junior and senior cycle Higher level Irish (Mary Linnane teacher): 6th-10th Aug., Senior cycle Physics and Biology: 13th-17th Aug. Junior and senior cycle Higher level French: 20th-24th of Aug. Places limited, contact 086-3792360 to secure a place.

Sean Nós Dancing Family Resource Centre. Call Bernie @ 086-3731547.

Set-Dancing Classes Family Resource Centre, Thurs. 6.30-8pm for children, 8.30-11pm for adults. Call Bridie @ 087-6202451 before 5pm.

Jive Course with Eamonn Cunniss, in Ringo's next Thursday night at 8.30pm, for 4/5 weeks. Pay as you go, €10.

Yoga Sona le Maria - Children's Yoga Workshop. Tues., July 24th at Loughrea Family & Community Resource Centre. 10-12 year olds, 11am-1pm. 6-9 year olds, 2-3pm. Please contact Maria @ 087-2145434 to book, places are limited.

Yoga: Tues., 10.30am-12pm, Wed., 7-8pm at L'rea Boxing Club. €40 for any 5 classes. Everything provided, all welcome. Call Kate to book @ 085-7504420

Summer Yoga Classes Monday 8pm in L'rea Youth Theatre. Contact, 086-2608039.

Hurling Club Lotto Winning numbers: 6, 8, 20, 28. Two match 3 winners. Next week's jackpot €8,300.

Found: Watch was found in the Abbey. Please contact 091-841209 for details.

Temperance Hall Events

'Back to Fitness with Croi' Exercise Classes Tea Room, Thursdays, 10am-11am. Pre-booking essential. Call Croi @ 091-544310

Loughrea Bingo Summer Madness Bonanza Jackpot is increased to €10,000 in 46 numbers for 10 weeks. Each player gets free entry into a draw for a year's free bingo and many more prizes. Draw takes place 17th August.

Loughrea Bingo every Friday night @ 8.30pm, jackpot €10,000.

Loughrea Activity Assoc. Bowling on Mondays, 1.30-3.30pm, Tuesdays 11am-1pm.

Summer Line Dancing Classes are taking a break for the month of August. Classes resume in the tea room, Wednesday, Sept., 5th at 8pm. Tel: Sean @ 087-9761692.

Starcamp 2018 7th – 11th August (Tues.-Sat.) 9.30am-2.30pm each day. It is open to boys and girls aged between 4 and 12. For more info., 021-4377900