

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE CATHEDRAL THIS WEEK

Mon. 11am Michael Joe & Margaret King	8pm Judy Bennet & Caitlín Power
Tues. 11am Gerard & Mary Raftery	8pm Martin, Catherine, Vincent and Patrick Connelly
Wed. 11am Peter Joseph O'Loughlin	8pm Brendan Coy
Thurs. 11am People of the Parish	8pm Nellie Treacy
Fri. 11am Thomas Heavey	8pm John Murphy & Eamonn Murphy
Sat. 11am Personal Intention	8pm Gerard & Mary Josephine Mullins
Sun. 10am Seamus Broderick	12noon Tommie & Maureen Mannion

<p><u>Ministers of the Word</u> Sat. 8th September 8pm Michael Martin Sun. 9th September 12noon Ann Flynn</p>	<p><u>Mass Servers</u> Team A Sat. 8th Sept. 8pm Team B Sun. 9th Sept. 10am Team C Sun. 9th Sept. 12noon</p>
<p><u>Ministers of the Eucharist:</u> Sat. 8th September 8pm M. Doyle, M. Joyce, M. Murphy Sun. 9th September 10am M. Healy Sun. 9th September 12noon M. Connolly, E. McKiernan, A. Gardiner</p>	<p><u>Cathedral Collections:</u> Offertory: €1,100 Restoration: €485</p>

Baptisms: We welcome into God's family Evie Leen, Carraig Linn, Loughrea and Chloe Reilly, St Laurence's Fields, Loughrea.


R.I.P Please pray for the repose of the soul of Christopher Donohue, Hillcrest, Tullahill, Loughrea and Margaret Stapleton (née Dunne), Aille, Loughrea, who died recently.

Mass bookings in the Cathedral for 2019 will be taken from 10.00am on Wednesday, 5th September 2018

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE CARMELITE ABBEY THIS WEEK

Mon. 8am Donors Intentions	10am John, Catherine & Nellie Madden
Tues. 8am Genevieve Maloney	10am Rita Donlon
Wed. 8am Donors Intentions	10am James & Eileen Lee and Sr John Lee
Thurs. 8am Donors Intentions	10am Thomas & Delia Fahy
Fri. 8am Bernedette Moylan Holland	10am Thomas Heavey
Sat. 8am Donors Intentions	10am Michael Kelly
Sun. 9am Martin Leahy	11am Gerry & Peggy Dolan
	6pm Kathleen Kelly McDonagh

<p>Society of St Vincent de Paul: 086 0551134</p>	<p>Bethany Bereavement Group 087-2109396</p>
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Sunday, 2nd September 2018
Twenty Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

Seeing Your Life Through The Lens Of The Gospels
Mark 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23

1. Certain sections of the Jewish people put great store on the importance of rules and conventions as a measure of the goodness of a person. Jesus challenges this view. Where have you seen goodness in unconventional people? What brought it home to you that being a good person meant more than getting appearances right?
2. Even fidelity in religious practice is not enough. 'This people honours me with their lips, but their heart is far from me'. How have you experienced the importance of carrying your faith beyond attendance at Mass on Sundays? When have you seen that in others? What brought this home to you?
3. What Jesus seeks are followers whose faith is whole-hearted and warm, people whose religion is not primarily in dutiful observance but in their enthusiasm for life and their care for one another. It is good to be with them. Give thanks for the people you know who are like that.
4. 'It is from within, from the human heart, that evil intentions come.' It is also from within that good intentions come. We have choices. When have you been faced with the choice between good and evil? When did you realise the importance of accepting responsibility for your own life and choices? How has this helped your growth as a person? *John Byrne OSA (Intercom Magazine)*

THE DEEP END: 'Every Generous Action is a gift from God'

The second reading today reminds us that as Christians we are called to put our faith into practice; every generous action is a gift from God. St James speaks of the word that is planted within each of us and through that word we are sent out to work together for a more just world. From 1 September until the Feast of St Francis on 4 October Christian churches are encouraged to celebrate the Season of Creation. This is an annual celebration of prayer and action inviting us to think more deeply about what is happening at present to the Earth and the environmental destruction which threatens our world. The theme this year is 'Walking Together'. As pilgrims, let us walk together to awaken again to the wonder of the Earth, our common home, and the web of life which it shelters. In the gospel Jesus tells the Pharisees that it is what comes out of a person that defiles a person, emphasising how through our actions we show what is in our heart. Let us encourage one another during this Season of Creation by praying with and for creation; encouraging small actions in our homes and parishes to try to live more sustainable lives. *Jane Mellett (Intercom Magazine)*

MUSINGS

'... we begin to see how love requires truth. Only to the extent that love is grounded in truth can it endure over time, can it transcend the passing moment and be sufficiently solid to sustain a shared journey. If love is not tied to truth, it falls prey to fickle emotions and cannot stand the test of time.

'... If love needs truth, truth also needs love. Love and truth are inseparable. Without love, truth becomes cold, impersonal and oppressive for people's day-to-day lives. The truth we seek, the truth that gives meaning to our journey through life, enlightens us whenever we are touched by love. One who loves realises that love is an experience of truth, that it opens our eyes to see reality in a new way...'

Pope Francis, Lumen Fidei 27 (Intercom Magazine)

To Celebrate the Centenary of The Stigmata of St Padre Pio on 20th September 1918, Fr Angelus O'Neill OFM CAP will celebrate Mass in St Brigid's Church, Portumna, on Thursday, 20th September at 8pm followed by individual blessing with St Pio's glove on the forehead of all.

Eucharistic Healing Service with Eddie Stones of Emmanuel House, Friday, 28th Sept., St. Colman's Church, Gort, @ 7pm. Please bring family & friends. All welcome.

Foyer of Charity Silent Retreat takes place at Esker Retreat Centre, Athenry, from 17th - 23rd September. Cost: €380 full board. Contact Helen @ 086-1678027, email: hellywilliams@gmail.com or www.foyerofcharity.ie

Annual National Grandparents Pilgrimage, Sept., 9th, Knock Shrine, 2.30pm. Everybody welcome to honour & thank Grandparents alive & dead for all they have done for us down through the ages.

Knock Shrine: Knock Counselling Centre is running a 6-evening Anger Management Programme starting Thursday, 13th September. Contact Peter Devers at 09493-75032 for details.

Spirit Radio Station is a faith based family friendly station and is available on Medium Wave 549 kHz, on FM from Galway 91.7 MHz, Ennis 90.9 MHz and Athlone 90.6 MHz. The Station has a Pro Life ethos.

Anam Cara Galway the organisation that supports bereaved parents, is holding a Bereavement Information Evening on Wed., 5th Sept. at 7:30pm in the Clayton Hotel, Ballybrit, Galway. This is a free event and open to all bereaved parents. As Anam Cara will need to confirm numbers for teas, coffees, etc, please RSVP to info@anamcara.ie before Tues., 4th Sept. or call the Information Line 085-2888-888.

The Irish Cancer Society's national conference is being held in the Clayton Hotel, Galway on September 15th from 10am – 4pm. The aim of the conference is to provide information and support to cancer survivors, those who care for them, health care professional and staff/volunteers from cancer support services. For more information, call Breda on 01-2310533, email bcuddihy@irishcancer.ie or go to www.cancer.ie to register. The conference is free of charge, registration is essential.

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

Family Carers Ireland: Nominations are being sought for the CarePlus Pharmacy Carer of the Year and Young Carer of the Year 2018. If there is a Family Carer who you feel should be recognised and rewarded please fill in the nomination form online at www.familycarers.ie by 14th September or call Family Carers Ireland, Barrack Street, Loughrea on (091) 880418

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 Friday, 7th September. All are welcome. For more details, call 09096-73939 / BattleofAughrim@galwaycoco.ie

Loughrea Parish Council CLG Community Employment Scheme has a vacancy for General Operative. Applicants must meet the eligibility criteria for Community Employment Schemes. Please contact the Parish Office, 091841212 for more details.

Chemistry and Biology Grinds available, up to Leaving Cert Hons. Level. Junior Cert Science also. Qualified teacher with 14 years of experience. Call: 0872034099.

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

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

Jive Course with Eamonn Cunniss in Ringo's, O'Dea's Hotel, Loughrea, Thursday at 8.30pm. Pay as you go, €10.

Yoga Sona le Maria - Children's Yoga Workshop, Tuesdays in 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 Loughrea Boxing Club. €40 for any 5 classes. Everything provided, all welcome. Call Kate to book @ 085-7504420

Summer Yoga Classes starting Monday, 3rd September in Loughrea Youth Theatre. Contact Julia at 086-2608039 for more details.

Concertina Lessons in Loughrea. Contact Muireann @ 087-1484617

Found house keys on Fri., 24th Sept., near Hope's Bakery. Phone 841212 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 every Friday night @ 8.30pm, jackpot €10,000.

Karate Classes for beginners and members, starting Mon. 3rd and Wed. 5th Sept., 7.30pm-9pm. All are welcome, ladies & gents and children over 8yrs of age. For more details, contact 087-6133297

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

Summer Line Dancing Classes resume on Wednesday, Sept., 5th at 8pm in the tea room. All are welcome. Tel: Sean @ 087-9761692 for details.

Whist resumes on Thursday, 13th September at 8pm. New members welcome.

St. Ita's N.S. will re-open Monday, 3rd September at 9.10a.m. and St. Brendan's Boys N.S. will re-open at 9.20am. Both schools will close at 12noon on Monday.

Sincere thanks for the anonymous donation made towards the cost of producing the Newsletter.