

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE CATHEDRAL THIS WEEK

Mon. 11am Holy Souls	8pm Bea, John Joe and Hugh & Mary Harte
Tues. 11am Holy Souls	8pm Patrick & Annie O’Sullivan
Wed. 11am Holy Souls	8pm Christy Daniels
Thurs. 11am Holy Souls	8pm Decd. mbrs. of the Fire Brigade
Fri. 11am Holy Souls	8pm Sean Connolly MM
Sat. 11am Joseph Bobby Cunniffe MM	8pm Pa Shaughnessy
Sun. 10am Holy Souls	12noon Benny Hynes and Mary Linnane

<p><u>Ministers of the Eucharist:</u> Sat. 24th Nov. 8pm J. Beatty, G. Dervan Sun. 25th Nov. 10am D. Fahy Sun. 25th Nov. 12noon M. Chambers, M. Murphy</p>	<p><u>Mass Servers</u> Team D Sat. 24th Nov. 8pm Team E Sun. 25th Nov. 10am Team F Sun. 25th Nov. 12noon</p>
<p><u>Ministers of the Word</u> Sat. 24th Nov. 8pm Ted McDonnell Sun. 25th Nov. 12noon Mark Connolly</p>	<p><u>Cathedral Collections:</u> Offertory: €1,675</p>

Feast of Christ the King takes place next Sunday, 25th Nov. The “Forty Hours Adoration” will take place in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel between 7am-10pm on Fri., 23rd and Sat., 24th Nov. Benediction to conclude the Forty Hours after the 8pm Mass on Saturday in the Cathedral. You are invited to take part in the “Forty Hours Adoration” by spending some time in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel. Please encourage others to do the same.

Baptisms: We welcome into God’s family Iarla Brian Regan, Ti-na-Rí, Loughrea.

Wedding Congratulation to Sandra Comer and Donal Kennedy who were married in the Cathedral last weekend.

R.I.P. Please pray for the repose of the soul of Gerard Mahony, Caherwalter, Loughrea, Therese O’ Brien née Hope, Castlebar, sister of Sandra Hope, Loughrea and Sean Leahy, Mount Pleasant, Loughrea, who died recently.

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE CARMELITE ABBEY THIS WEEK

Mon. 8am Donors Intentions	10am Holy Souls
Tues. 8am Margaret Loughnane	10am Holy Souls
Wed. 8am Paddy Mongan Snr & Jnr	10am Holy Souls
Thurs. 8am Mary, Michael & Patrick Burke	10am Holy Souls
Fri. 8am Patrick Monaghan	10am Holy Souls
Sat. 8am Connolly & Leonard families	10am Holy Souls
Sun. 9am Ned, Bridie & Dennis Maloney	11am Holy Souls
	6pm Ann Broderick



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Sunday, 18th November 2018
Thirty Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Remembering Your Loved Ones
 If you wish to have your loved ones remembered on the November Altar List for the Holy Souls, please return the November List.

SEEING YOUR LIFE THROUGH THE LENS OF THE GOSPELS Mark 13:24-32

1. Jesus speaks of the established order falling apart, but the collapse of the old order opened the way for new possibilities. When have you seen something new and hopeful emerge after the collapse of something that you had expected to endure much longer, perhaps even for ever?
2. The parable of the fig tree. Even in winter, it begins to put forth leaves which give a hint of the fruit to come. Where have you found signs of hope in a wintry situation – in your own life, in the life of some group, in the life of the Church?
3. Jesus proposes no clear time-scale for the events being foretold, so the final sentence (v.32) is a call to alertness, to live the present to the full. What difference does it make to you when you are able to live the present moment to the full?

John Byrne OSA (Intercom Magazine)

THE DEEP END: My words will not pass away

This chapter from Mark is part of a farewell speech from Jesus to his followers in the last days of his earthly life. It sounds almost apocalyptic because we are nearing the end of the Church’s liturgical year and so the texts we read take this tone. Jesus is revealing to his disciples something about the new order which is coming. He talks about the ‘end times’ and this can appear frightening at first. However, if we enter into a meditation on this Gospel we might bring to mind something of those moments in our own lives when we felt like our world was ending. Perhaps it was the end of a relationship, the death of a loved one, the end of one stage of your life. Things which seemed so familiar and helped keep us secure suddenly changed. These can be extremely difficult periods of one’s life. It is during those times that someone comes to us offering prophecy of better times to come, of words that ‘will not pass away’. Jesus is preparing the disciples for what is about to happen to him and with assurance that God’s kingdom is far greater than any evil that is about to occur. The passage is often interpreted as referring to the second coming of Christ or his resurrection. Whenever we experience trauma we keep going with the assurance that resurrection is all around us and a new way of being is on the horizon.

Jane Mellett (Intercom Magazine)

Bethany Bereavement Group
087-2109396

Society of St Vincent de Paul:
086 0551134

MUSINGS

The Christian tradition speaks of a moment of judgment in which we become who we are once and for all. In death we are thrust out into God. Some find themselves at home with God. That is where they belong – in heaven. Others are not yet ready for God and they experience the purification that we call purgatory. Others still find that they do not belong with God at all but that have nowhere else to go and so they are stuck – as stuck in death as they were in life. Yes, that much at least no one will want to dispute: You don't have to wait for death to experience hell. Hell is the reality of a great many people's lives here and now: cut off from God, cut off from their true selves, cut off from those around them in the isolation of compulsion and fantasy.

Fr James O'Kane OSA (Intercom Magazine)

St Joseph's Young Priests' Society monthly meeting will take place on Tuesday, 20th November at 8.30pm in the Presbytery.

The Legion of Mary meet each Monday at 8.30pm in the Presbytery. New members most welcome. For further information, contact 091-870327.

All-Night Vigil at Knock Shrine will take place on Fri., 7th – Sat., 8th Dec. The Vigil Ceremonies will commence with Confessions from 10pm in the Chapel of Reconciliation and Vigil at 12 Midnight on Friday 7th in the Basilica with Rosary, Stations of the Cross and Holy Hour with Fr Brendan Walsh SCA. Concelebrated Mass will take place at 4am with His Excellency Archbishop Okolo, Papal Nuncio.

Information on organised coaches travelling to the vigil at www.knockshrine.ie

Advent Day Retreat with Deirdre Ní Chinnéide 'Listening for the Light' day retreat takes place Sat., 24th Nov., 10am-4pm in the Prayer Centre, Knock Shrine.

The retreat invites you to spend time with others through reflection, conversation, music and prayer as we journey with the beauty and challenge of Psalm 139. 'O Lord you have searched me and known me...lead me in ways everlasting.' To book, call (094) 93 75355 or email faithrenewal@knockshrine.ie (fee €30, includes lunch)

Cancer Support Centre East Galway & Midlands centres in Brackernagh, Ballinasloe, would love to invite all to our Christmas Craft Fair Sat., 24th Nov., from 11am-4pm. All are very welcome.

DVD presentation & discussion on John's Gospel on 4 consecutive Thursday evenings at 8pm, starting Thurs., 8th Nov. in the Family Centre, Ballinasloe. Suggested donation for 4 sessions €20. Contact Michéal @ 086-2618152 or John @ 086-8600987 for more details. All welcome.

Aware, Ireland's leading organisation providing support, education and information services for people impacted by depression, bipolar disorder and related mood conditions, is urgently seeking new volunteers across four services – Support Line, Support Mail, Support & Self Care Groups and Life Skills Online. No prior qualifications or experience is required, as comprehensive training as well as ongoing support and education is provided by the organisation.

St Raphael's College, Loughrea are hosting their Christmas Fair on December 8th from 10am – 5pm. If you are interested in displaying, demonstrating or selling at the fair, contact the school on 091-841062 or email tcunniffe@saintraphaels.ie by Monday 3rd December.

Kilnadeema National School are holding a Christmas Fair on Sunday, 25th Nov., from 1pm-4pm. Santa Grotto €8/child, craft stalls, bric-a-brac stall, baked goods and much more. All are welcome.

Hurling Club Lotto: Winning numbers: 11, 14, 16, 23. One match 3 winners.

Next week's jackpot is €9,900.

Loughrea Senior Citizens will meet in the Abbey, Thursday, Nov. 22nd at 8pm. All are welcome especially new members. Contact numbers 086-3062240 or 841725. **Social Bridge** in the Loughrea Hotel & Spa, Mondays at 11am

The Abbey Knitting and Stitching group will hold their annual cake sale in the Abbey on Sunday, 25th November commencing at 11.30am. It will also include some Bric a Brac and hand made Teddys. Proceeds from the sale of Teddys will be donated to 'Hand & Hand' children's charity. A hand crafted Christmas Crib will also be raffled to support the Group. Teas will be available at the Abbey diner.

Host families required July and August for French and Spanish homestay students. Families must have a child aged 12-17 years. Phone Marie @ 087-4154983 for details. **Irish Conversation Hour** every Wednesday at 11am at Loughrea Gaeilge office, Old Galway Road. 'Cúpla focail'. Contact Maurice Sweeney @ 086-2031323

East Galway Adult Learning Centre, L'rea Part-Time Courses in Health and Well Being & Intro. to Gardening. Ph.: Sheila Donnellan @ 091847850. Courses are free.

Hairdressing Taster Course (six weeks) starting Thurs., 22nd Nov. 1.00-3.30pm. Phone Maureen Shea (087)7742074, 091-841387 or email maureen.shea@gretb.ie

Chemistry and Biology grinds available, up to Leaving Cert. Junior Cert Science also. Single or groups. Qualified teacher, 15 years of experience. Call 087-2034099

Reflexology in Lakeshore Medical Centre, Loughrea, a safe and natural therapy for all ages, suitable to use alongside conventional medical care. To make an appt., contact Sandra @ 083-8498311 or sandradunhamtherapy@gmail.com

Homeopathy Clinic with Gráinne Hammond, Homeopath, on the second Friday of every month, at Loughrea Family & Community Resource Centre. Please phone 091-871149 for more information and to make an appointment.

Abbey Arts & Crafts Group have now commenced their weekly craft classes in the Abbey Monastery on Monday evenings 8-10pm. New members are always welcome.

Ultra flex School of Dance weekly classes in Freestyle Acro & Hip Hop from ages 4 years to teens. Every Wednesday & Saturday in Loughrea Youth Theatre Studio. Places limited. Contact Kim @ 087-7799489 www.ultraflexschoolofdance@yahoo.com

Zumba & Dance Classes for all levels and abilities, Thursdays at 6:30pm in the L'rea Youth Theatre. €8 per class or €40 for a 6 week term. Call Merli @ 0831177277

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.

Modern Jive Country & Western Dance Classes with Gerry every Wednesday in the Lough Rea Hotel & Spa, 8.30pm-10.30pm. No partners required. €10 per class.

Yoga in Force Fitness, Loughrea, helps to reduce stress and rebalance our body & mind. For details, call Sandra @ 083-8498311 or sandradunhamtherapy@gmail.com

Temperance Hall Events

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

Karate Classes for beginners and members, Mon. & Wed, 7.30pm-9pm. All are welcome, ladies & gents and children over 8yrs of age. For details, call 087-6133297

Loughrea Activity Assoc. Meeting Monday, 19th Nov. @ 7pm. Bowling Mondays, 1.30-3.30pm, Tuesdays, 11am-1pm.

Autumn Line Dancing Classes every Wednesday, 8pm in the tea room. €5 per class, pay as you go. New beginners welcome. Tel: Sean @ 087-9761692 for details.

Whist 8pm. New members welcome.

Ballroom & Country Dance Classes every Tuesday at 8.30pm. Absolute beginners and improvers welcome. Partners not necessary. Learn to quickstep, foxtrot, waltz, tango, jive, swing, & cha cha cha. €8 per class. Contact Sean Casey @ 087-9761692.

