

## MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE CATHEDRAL THIS WEEK

<b>Mon. 11am</b> The Hession family & Catherine Kiely	<b>8pm</b> Mary Glynn
<b>Tues. 11am</b> Ita Daniels	<b>8pm</b> Michael McCormack
<b>Wed. 11am</b> Teresa & James McDonald	<b>8pm</b> Kieran Reilly
<b>Thurs. 11am</b> People of the Parish	<b>8pm</b> Anne & Patrick Leonard
<b>Fri. 11am</b> David Gerard Nolan	<b>8pm</b> Maureen Healy MM
<b>Sat. 11am</b> Martha Callanan	<b>8pm</b> Mary Agnes Moran
<b>Sun. 10am</b> Sean Kelly	<b>12noon</b> Joe & Nora Madden

<p><b><u>Ministers of the Eucharist:</u></b>  <b>Sat. 2<sup>nd</sup> Mar. 8pm</b> M. Joyce, M. Doyle.  <b>Sun. 3<sup>rd</sup> Mar. 10am</b> A. Gardiner  <b>Sun. 3<sup>rd</sup> Mar. 12noon</b> D. Shaughnessy, E. McKiernan</p>	<p><b><u>Mass Servers</u></b>  <b>Team B</b> Sat. 2<sup>nd</sup> Mar. 8pm  <b>Team C</b> Sun. 3<sup>rd</sup> Mar. 10am  <b>Team A</b> Sun. 3<sup>rd</sup> Mar. 12noon</p>
<p><b><u>Ministers of the Word</u></b>  <b>Sat. 2<sup>nd</sup> Mar. 8pm</b> Michael Martin  <b>Sun. 3<sup>rd</sup> Mar 12 noon</b> Mattie Quinn</p>	<p><b><u>Cathedral Collections:</u></b>  <b>Offertory:</b> €1,085  <b>Restoration:</b> €552</p>

**Baptism:** We welcome into God's family Jason Mahony, Danesfort Court, Loughrea.  
**Wedding Congratulations** to Adrian Gordon and Ciara Shields, who were married in the Cathedral last weekend.  
**R.I.P.** Please pray for the soul of Paddy Creavan, Cregal Art Galway, father of Veronica Newell, Loughrea, and Carmel Bowyer, nee Healy, Liverpool, late of Athenry Road, Loughrea who died recently.

## MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE CARMELITE ABBEY THIS WEEK

<b>Mon. 8am</b> Tommy & Mary Burke	<b>10am</b> Thomas Geoghegan
<b>Tues. 8am</b> Tommy Slevin	<b>10am</b> Mass for Vocations
<b>Wed. 8am</b> Nora Scully	<b>10am</b> Martin, Maureen & Bridget Newell
<b>Thurs. 8am</b> Mark Mcanro	<b>10am</b> Ann Dervan
<b>Fri. 8am</b> Michael & Mary Gerahty	<b>10am</b> Martin, Mary Ann, and son Martin Donoghue
<b>Sat. 8am</b> Patrick, Christina & Michael Kelly	<b>10am</b> Aggie Moran
<b>Sun. 9am</b> Michael & Mary Ann Broderick	<b>11am</b> Michael, Tommy and Catherine Loughnane
	<b>6pm</b> Tommy, Mary McDonagh and Patrick Keane

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**Sunday, 24th February 2019**  
**Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**The Second Basket Collection this weekend is the Annual Mission Appeal by the Congregation of the Little Sisters of the Assumption.** They would greatly appreciate any support you can give to their missionary work, among some of the poorest people of today's world, particularly in Latin America.

## **Seeing your Life through the Lens of the Gospel Luke 6:27-38**

1. Our natural tendency when attacked is to protect ourselves; when we are attacked, we attack back. We respond to an angry word with another, or to a blow by hitting back. Here, Jesus suggests that at times there may be another way to act. What has been your experience of retaliation? Has it been life-giving? Have you experience of another way of acting?
2. When we do good to another, it can sometimes be in return for what we have received. At other times it can be done in the hope of getting something back. Or we may do it simply for the sake of doing good without any strings attached. Jesus suggests that this is when we are at our best. Recall your experience of these different ways of giving and celebrate the occasions when you gave without expectation of return.
3. Jesus proposes the generosity of God as a model for our generosity, and says that the generous will be rewarded. Perhaps you have experienced rewards, even in this life, from generous behaviour.

*John Byrne (Intercom Magazine)*

**Bethany Bereavement Group**  
**087-2109396**

**Society of St. Vincent de Paul**  
**086 – 0551134**

**John Paul II Award Scheme**, If there are any Transition, 5th or 6th Year students interested in this scheme, please contact your local priest or Ms Marie Burke at [083-8791745](tel:083-8791745) for details.

**The Legion of Mary** meet each Monday at 8.30pm in the Presbytery. New members most welcome. For further information, contact [091-870327](tel:091-870327).

**Holy Hour of Prayer** for Vocations to the Religious Life and Priesthood at the Carmelite Abbey, Friday, March 1st from 7-8pm.

**Towards Peace** is a service offering spiritual support to those who have experienced abuse perpetrated by Church personnel, individually or institutionally. If you have been abused and would like a space to reflect on the impact of the trauma of abuse on your own relationship with God and spirituality, *Towards Peace* is here for you [www.towardspeace.ie](http://www.towardspeace.ie) Tel: [01-5053028](tel:01-5053028) or [086 7710533](tel:086-7710533). Up to twelve sessions are available, there is no fee.

**Feileacain** (Stillbirth and Neonatal Death Association of Ireland) will host a Service of Remembrance on Sunday, March 3<sup>rd</sup> at 3pm in The Church of the Holy Family, Mervue, Galway, for all babies who died around the time of birth. Anyone affected by the death of a baby is welcome to attend and remember their baby in the company of other families and the staff who cared for them. Refreshments will be served following the service.

**Special Loughrea Pilgrimage** to Fatima and Lisbon, Feast Day of Saint Anthony 9<sup>th</sup>/14<sup>th</sup> June and special Loughrea Medjugorje Pilgrimage for Youth Festival August, both ex Dublin. Payments by instalments acceptable. Contact James @ [086-0572216](tel:086-0572216)

**Holy Land Pilgrimage 2019** Fr Benny McHale (Athenry) has organised a pilgrimage to the Holy Land from Monday, 24<sup>th</sup> June to Thursday, 4th July 2019. As occupancy fills up very quickly, it is advisable to contact him as soon as possible at [091- 844227](tel:091-844227)

**Centering Prayer Weekend Retreat**, Esker Retreat Centre, 8th - 10th March. Give yourself the gift of a weekend of quiet time-out in community that will enable you to better receive the gift of Christ's presence and action in your life. Join us for contemplative prayer, silence, stillness, and reflection at Esker Retreat Centre.

**Beginning Experience** 5th-7th April, Esker Retreat Centre, Athenry, for those who have lost a spouse through death, divorce or separation. For more details, contact Gerry @ [086-3855090](tel:086-3855090) or Maureen @ [087-6646896](tel:087-6646896).

**Anam Cara Galway**, the organisation that supports bereaved parents, is holding a Parent Evening, Wed., 6th March at 7:20pm in the Clayton Hotel, Ballybrit. This event is free and open to all bereaved parents.

**Cancer Care West Support Centre** are holding a prostate support and information series on 6<sup>th</sup> March at 7pm. To book a place, call Rachael Dalton on [091-893318](tel:091-893318) or Cancer Care West on [091-540040](tel:091-540040)

**ACCORD** Ballinasloe provide professional counselling service for individuals and couples who are experiencing difficulties in their marriage and relationships. Contact [090-9643573](tel:090-9643573) for appointment or email [ballinasloeaccord@eircom.net](mailto:ballinasloeaccord@eircom.net)

**The East Galway Family History Society** are pleased to announce two evening heritage events (7.30pm) in March at the Woodford Heritage Centre, Friday 1st March, Declan Kelly, MA and Friday 15th March, Monica Hynes, MA. Please note these events are free and supported by Galway County Council.

**Irish Conversation Hour** every Wed. at 11am at Loughrea Gaeilge office, Old Galway Road. 'Cúpla focail'. Contact Maurice Sweeney @ [086-2031323](tel:086-2031323).

**Abbey Arts & Crafts Group** weekly craft classes in the Abbey Monastery, Monday evenings 8-10pm. New members are always welcome.

**Social Bridge** in the Loughrea Hotel & Spa, Mondays at 11am.

**English & Irish Grinds/Home Tuition** available for secondary school students from 1st Year to Leaving Certificate. Ph: [085-7622367](tel:085-7622367) for further details.

**Business Studies Grinds** for Junior and Leaving Cert Students. One-to-one basis, available evenings and weekends. Call Ashling @ [083-4774675](tel:083-4774675).

**Loughrea Community Preschool**, Barrack Street, now enrolling for September 2019. Free ECCE places available. Contact 087-7660687 for more details.

**Loughrea Tennis Club** are running Junior Coaching at the club Wed. and Thurs. evenings (in 5 week blocks) ages 5-16years. To book a place, contact [086-8514356](tel:086-8514356). Adult Coaching lessons Sunday evenings, 7.30-8.30pm. To book, contact [086-8216207](tel:086-8216207). Open to members and non-members. All coaching provided by fully qualified Tennis Ireland Coaches.

**BAFFLE Poetry Group** are holding their Annual General Meeting Tues., 12<sup>th</sup> March at 7.30pm in Harney's Bar, Barrack St., L'rea. Everybody is welcome.

**Loughrea Family Resource Centre** Places available on its Rainbows Separation Programme. Level 1 - age 7 & 8 yrs, Level 3 ages 11 & 12 years. If you are interested in having your child participate, please contact Aine at [091-871149](tel:091-871149). Thank you

**Sean Nós Dancing** Family Resource Centre. Call Bernie @ [086-3731547](tel:086-3731547).

**Set-Dancing Classes** Family Resource Centre, Thurs. 6.30pm-8pm for children, 8.30pm-11pm for adults. Call Bridie @ [087-6202451](tel:087-6202451) before 5pm.

**Yoga Classes** starting in Loughrea Youth Theatre on Monday & Thursday nights @ 8pm. Call Julia: [086-2608039](tel:086-2608039).

**Vinyasa Yoga Classes** with Liz Kirby, every Wednesday evening at Loughrea Family Resource Centre, please call [087-6314581](tel:087-6314581) for details & to book a place.

**Yoga at Loughrea Boxing Club** Gentle yoga practice for everyone. €40 for ANY five classes. Tues: 10.30am-12noon. Wed: 7-8pm. Everyone welcome and everything provided for you. Call Kate on [085-7504420](tel:085-7504420).

**Hurling Club Lotto:** Winning numbers: 3, 4, 12, 14. One match 3 winner. Next week's jackpot €11,200.

## Temperance Hall Events

**The Seumas O'Kelly Players** present their Spring Comedy, A Wake in the West by Michael J. Ginnelly, Sunday, Feb. 24th and again Saturday and Sunday March 9th and 10th at 8pm. Tickets are €10 in advance from T.L. O'Brien's, Main St., L'rea. €12 on the door. For further information, please contact [083-8633796](tel:083-8633796)

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

**Loughrea Activity Assoc.** Meeting Monday at 7pm. New members welcome. Bowling Mon, 1.30-3.30pm, Tuesdays, 11am-1pm.

**Karate Classes** for beginners and members, Monday and Wednesday, 7.30pm-9pm. All are welcome, ladies & gents and children over 8yrs of age. For details, call [087-6133297](tel:087-6133297).

**Line Dancing Classes** Line dancing classes in the tea room every Wednesday at 8pm. All are welcome, fee €5. Contact Sean @ [087-9761692](tel:087-9761692).

**Whist** on Thursdays at 8pm. New members welcome.

**Social & Ballroom Dance Classes** every Tuesday at 8.30pm, in the main hall. Learn to jive, waltz, quick step, foxtrot. All are welcome. Fee €8 Contact Sean @ [087-9761692](tel:087-9761692) for details.

