Our Faithful Departed......

Vincent Carr, Betaghstown, Clane Del Weld, Ballinagappa, Clane

.....may they rest in peace, Amen.

Masses for the Week

<u>Clane</u>

Saturday 17th Mar 6.30pm Mary Losty Sunday 18th Mar 9.30am People of the Parish Paddy Larkin, Christy Byrne, Christine Campbell 11.30am Monday 19th Mar 10.00am Tuesday 20th Mar William Murphy 10.00am Wed 21st Mar 10.00am Thursday 22nd Mar 10.00am Friday 23rd Mar 10.00am Saturday 24th Mar Service of the Word and Holy Communion 10.00am 6.30pm Anne McDonald (Months Mind Mass), Pat O'Connell, Patrick & Elizabeth Gorman, John Curran (Months Mind Mass), Noel Fortune, Christy & Mary Moody, Paddy Bergin, Georgina McGarr, Liam Merriman & Deceased Family members Sunday 25th Mar Helen Lally 9.30am Kathleen Fallon, Josephine Donovan 11.30am

<u>Rathcoffey</u>

Sunday 18th Mar	10.30am	Tom, Julia, Michael & Tommie Tyrell, Eileen Dillon,	
		Michael & Mary Behan, Eithna Herbert	
Sunday 25th Mar	10.30am	John & Philomena McNally, Bridget Cullen, Cora Brady,	
		Brendan & Betty Weld, Matilda & Timothy O'Connor,	
		Joseph & Elizabeth Sheppard	

	Saturday 24th 6.30pm	Sunday 25th 9.30am	Sunday 25th 11.30am	Sunday 25th 10.30am
	Clane	Clane	Clane	Rathcoffey
Ministers of the Eucharist Ministers	Aine White Anne Behan Caroline Behan Elizabeth Behan Padraig Carbury Noeleen Conboy	Matthew Cribbin Cait Cullen Eleanor Cunney Stephen Doyle Rose Ennis Pat O'Connor	Margaret Maguire Joe Malone Maureen Marron Colette O'Byrne Sean O'Hara Claire McManus Crainie	Anne Marie Mitchell Anne Giffney Niall Fagan
of the Word	Mary Dolan Diarmuid Coonan	Kate O'Donoghue John Power	Brid Murphy Stephanie Muldoon	Declan Forde Marie Meehan
Servers	2	3	4	1
Basket Collectors (March)	John Duffy Joe Horan Michael Wallace	John Sullivan Darragh O'Brien Charlie Flynn	Sean O'Hara Philip Comerford Frank O'Keeffe	
Service of the Word and Holy Communion Sat 24th			Sean O'Hara, Michael Wallace	

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Weekend Mass Times

Clane Saturday 6.30pm Sunday 9.30am 11.30am

Rathcoffey Sunday

10.30am

Parish Shop and Office The Parish Centre Main Street Clane <u>OPENING HOURS</u> Monday to Friday 9.30am – 1.30pm Saturday 10.30am – 1pm Phone: 045-861393 Email: claneparish@eircom.net www.claneparish.com WebCam/Live Streaming www.claneparish.com In the month of February, we welcomed into the parish Family:

Rebecca Doolan Dawson Conal Hugh MacCauley Anna Nduta Ndungu Thomas John Dunne Kate Anna Battersby Isabelle Rose Holligan James Conor Kelly William Paul O'Leary Sophie Leah Behan Hollie Marie Nolan

In the month of March, we welcomed into the parish family

Emma Viktoria Petranin Helen Marie Deevy Tuesday 13th March 2018 7, 12, 14, 30 No winner of this weeks Jackpot <u>3 x €50 prize winners</u> Joanne Boylan, Ava Glennon, Eileen Grav

PARISH LOTTO DRAW

Promoters Draw – 2 x €50 prize winners Lourdes Fund, Anne Noonan

> <u>€25 prize winner</u> Donal O'Brien Next week's Jackpot:

> > € 3,600

Weekly Lotto tickets are available from your local Promoter or the Parish Shop.

Minimum €275 worth of prizes every week.

Many thanks to all who helped make our Confirmation Ceremonies so special last weekend.

Cherish the Gift of Life. **Church Teaching** Why is cherishing life so important? The Catholic Church's teaching on the dignity and value of every human person is very special. Every human life is precious and beautiful. Some people feel the right to life of the unborn should be a matter of personal choice for the mother. Others maintain, while they are opposed to abortion as a general principal, there are some children to whom the right to life does not apply because they have been diagnosed with a serious medical condition or because they have been conceived as a result of rape. The Church's belief, based on reason as well as faith, is that there is no such thing as a human life without value.

Clane & Rathcoffey Parish Lotto We would like to remind all those who wish to renew their Annual Subscription or return ticket stubs can do so at the Parish Shop during the week or in the Parish Centre each Tuesday between 7.30pm and 8.45pm.

Holy Week and Easter 2018 Special sheets outlining the Holy Week and Easter Ceremonies are available to take home from both churches.

A Message from Bishop Denis I want to take this opportunity to invite you to come to Carlow for this year's celebration of the Chrism Mass on Monday, March 26 at 7:30 p.m. in the Cathedral. During this Mass the Holy Oils that will be used across the diocese in baptisms, confirmations, ordinations and anointing of the sick will be blessed and the priests of the diocese will renew their vows of ordination. This is a wonderful annual celebration. I look forward to meeting and saying hello to as many of you as possible after Mass over a cuppa next door in Carlow College. So put the date in your calendar because your presence will make all the difference! +Bishop Denis

All powerful God You are present in the whole universe and in the smallest of your creatures. You embrace with your tenderness all that exists. Pour out upon us the power of your love, that we may protect life and beauty. Fill us with peace, that we may live as brothers and sisters, harming no-one. Amen.

Brothers and sisters, I encourage you to be missionaries for the cause of life. Remember those words of Pope Francis: "To serve human life is to serve God". Speak to your families, your children and grandchildren, friends and colleagues about cherishing the precious gift of life at all times from conception to natural death. Speak the truth about life, and speak it with love. *Archbishop Eamon Martin*

Thought for the Week We are only home when the slowest is home! Items for the Parish Newsletter must be in to the Parish Office by 12 noon on Wednesday Email claneparish@eircom.net

Clane Musical And Dramatic Society Table Quiz in Manzors at 8pm on Friday 23rd March. All welcome!

Clane Library invites you t participate in Healthy Ireland—learn t meditate with Chris McMahon on Wednesday 21st March 7pm—8pm. Event is free but booking is required. 045 892 716

Mary Negri and family thank all those who supported her in her recent loss of her husband Danilo. Mass will be offered for your intentions.

Mary Smyth and family thank all those who supported her in her recent loss of her husband Gerry. Mass will be offered for your intentions.

Celbridge Mill Community Centre Community Choir practise is now on Wednesday Mornings – 11am-1pm .Ideal for people living with dementia and their carers Over 66 and on a pension? You can join the Mill Works Gym for 1 year for just €50.

St Vincent de Paul Shop Sallins customer event on Thursday 22nd March starting at ten o clock with brand new clothes new household items and bric a brac loads of bargains to be had

JOBSEEKERS: Your Local Employment Service offers a free service to job seekers who are unemployed and in receipt of a social welfare payment, one parent family payment, early school leavers, people finishing a CE scheme, people returning to the workforce and dependent spouses. Training courses and employment initiatives are available. One to one Adult Career Guidance, interview skills and CV preparation. Offices based in Naas 045895555, Newbridge 045435666 Leixlip 016245414, Athy 0598632685 and Teach Dara, Kildare 045521950. Call any of the offices and they will be delighted to talk to you.

EMPLOYERS: Advertise your vacancy free of charge by calling Teresa on 045895555

Clane Parish Shop Saturday 25th March Mamie & Frances Clane Altar Society Catherine Burcheal, Brid Harney, Liz Cahalane

Many thanks to those who contributed, and those who collected and counted Basket € 2,976.00 Envelopes € 1,364.52

Rathcoffey History Group-Dessie Boland will present videos on the subject of Memories of Rathcoffey. This meeting will be held in Farrington's in Rathcoffey on Thursday 22 March @ 8.30 pm. Light Refreshments will be served served. All welcome. Further information from Mairead Byrne - 0872239410.

Hope Cottage Family Support Centre for Kildare & West Wicklow Supporting Families and concerned persons affected by a loved one's substance abuse. 8 week Social Information and Self Care Programme Hope Cottage, Kill, Co Kildare Starting Monday 9th April 2018 Open to anyone over 18 years of age Further information/Booking Niamh or Noreen 045 877 991 or noreen@countykildarelp.ie

"...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. <u>www.trocaire.org</u>

Leixlip Further Education Centre is holding an Open Day on Thursday, 22nd March 2018 from 1.00pm to 3.00pm in Leixlip FETC Centre, First Floor, Riverforest Shopping Centre. PLC courses available for over 18s. Increase your employment prospects with free education courses for eligible social welfare applicants. A variety of courses available.

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