

Our Faithful Departed.....
 Nuala Slevin, nee Craughwell), Daars, Sallins and Manchester., sister of Sheila O'Brien, Prosperous
may she rest in peace, Amen.

Masses for the Week

Clane

Saturday 18th Mar 6.30pm Georgina Blake McGarr, Mary Losty, Lil & Tommy Dunne
 Liam Merriman & Deceased Family Members,
 Eileen Hassett (Birthday Remembrance), Mary Harmon

Sunday 19th Mar 9.30am John O'Reilly & Deceased Family Members
 11.30am Mary Jo McCormack, Patrick Larkin, Noel Twomey,
 Florence Roche

Monday 20th Mar 10.00am Mary Anne & John Glennon

Tuesday 21st Mar 10.00am Ellen, William Senior & William Jnr Ash, William Murphy

Wed 22nd Mar 10.00am

Thursday 23rd Mar 10.00am

Friday 24th Mar 10.00am Paddy Bergin

Saturday 25th Mar 10.00am Service of the Word and Holy Communion
 12 noon Memorial Mass for John O'Boyle
 6.30pm Daniella Carugo Shortt & Parents Luigi & Teresa Carugo
 Pat Walsh (First Anniversary), Georgina McGarr,
 Noel Fortune

Sunday 26th Mar 9.30am People of the Parish
 11.30am Josephine Donovan, Kathleen Fallon, Peg Egan

Rathcoffey

Sunday 19th Mar 10.30am Brendan & Betty Weld, Tom Reilly, Eithne Herbert,
 Michael & Mary Behan

Sunday 26th Mar 10.30am Timothy & Matilda O'Connor, Cora Brady
 Joseph & Elizabeth Shepard

	Saturday 25th 6.30pm	Sunday 26th 9.30am	Sunday 26th 11.30am	Sunday 26th 10.30am
	Clane	Clane	Clane	Rathcoffey
Ministers of the Eucharist	Rachel Malone Damian McCaffrey Cathal O'Brien Noirin O'Hagan Jeanette O'Rourke	Katherine Martin Paddy Moore Margaret McDonald Hilary McDonnell Mary O'Dea	Bernadette Plunkett Rose Sullivan Anna Wolfe Bernadette Allen Kathleen Browne	Beibhinn Cleary Alvagh Cronin
Ministers of the Word	Brian O'Brien Clare Byrne	Anthony Marron Christopher Morrin	Pat Costello Noel De La Pena	Anne Egan
Servers	1	8	9	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 25th			Anna Connolly, Sheila Briody	

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Third Sunday of Lent

19th March 2017

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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
 OPENING HOURS**

Monday to Friday 9.30am – 1.30pm
 Saturday 10.30am – 1pm

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Be perfect, therefore, as your heavenly Father is perfect.”
GK Chesterton said, “The Bible tells us to love our neighbours, and also to love our enemies, probably because they are generally the same people.”
Our highest calling is to love; our greatest temptation, to fall short of love. The Holy Spirit leads us to examine our conscience so that God’s light can shine into the shadows and dark spots of our lives. We are often tempted to criticise and point out the faults and weaknesses of those we live with and with whom we share our lives. Lent is a time to examine our conscience: our thoughts, our words, our attitudes, as well as our behaviour and actions towards others. The Spirit leads us to repentance, then to conversion, and finally to contrition, that we might walk humbly with the loving God.

PARISH LOTTO DRAW
Tuesday 14th March 2017 2017

3, 5, 23, 27

No winner of this weeks Jackpot

3 x €50 prize winners

Carmel O'Hara, Catherine O'Shea,
Dan O'Connell

Promoters Draw – 2 x €50 prize winners

Sean O'Hara, Mags Brilly

€25 prize winner

Darragh O'Brien

Next week's Jackpot:

€ 5,400

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

**Minimum €275 worth
of prizes every week.**

Special thanks to all who made last weekend's Confirmation Ceremonies special for our 115 young people in the Parish. Our choirs, sacristans, Faith Friends, teachers, and parish team have made it a very special time for these young people.

24 hours for the Lord is taking place in three parishes across the diocese between Friday 24th and Saturday 25th March
Portlaoise: 10am Friday to 10am Saturday
Carbury: 5pm Friday to 5pm Saturday
Tullow: 6pm Friday to 6pm Saturday

Meeting of Returned Overseas Volunteers & Lay Missionaries

Have you ever volunteered overseas in any kind of profession or have worked as a lay missionary in Africa, Asia or South America?

Would you like to meet up with like-minded people? Join us for our next meeting which takes place on Thurs March 23rd at 7.30pm at the Church of the Irish Martyrs, Ballycane, Naas. For more info email Jim at jim.farrell@amri.ie or phone/text 083 8422468.

Thought for the Week

Always speak

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.

PRAYER SERVICE OF HEALING (with veneration of a relic of St. Peregrine, Patron Saint of Cancer Sufferers) Thursday 23rd March at 7.30pm Church of the Most Holy Rosary, Abbeyleix.

Spring & Summer Events at Knock Shrine

Quiet Days for Busy People
Saturday 11th March; 29th April. 10am—4pm
Leading God's People in Prayer
6th March & 13th March 8pm—10pm
Adult Catechism Studies
Thursday evenings 7.15pm
Workshop for Choirs
Thursday 9th March 7.30pm
Enrichment Days for Parish Ministry
Saturday 25th March:
Workshop for Ministers of the Word
Saturday 1st April:
Workshop for Ministers of the Eucharist
Celebrating Family: Preparing for World Meeting of Families: Saturday 8th April 11am
Resting in the Arms of God with Deirdre Ní Chinnéide; Saturday 6th May 10am—4pm

The best and most beautiful things in the world cannot be seen or even touched. They must be felt with the heart.
Helen Keller

“Making your neighbour a loan is an act of mercy, to lend him a helping hand is to keep the commandments.” Ecclesiasticus, 29:1. This St. Patrick's weekend, we celebrate the solidarity Irish people have shown with the world's poor over many decades. Trócaire is proud to be a conduit for the compassion of people here at home which last year saw over 2.4 million people in 25 countries receiving support. For more information on the Lenten campaign visit www.trocaire.org/lent

Items for the Parish Newsletter must be in to the Parish Office by 12 noon on Wednesday
Email claneparish@eircom.net

Parish Defibrillator
The Parish provides a defibrillator in both Clane & Rathcoffey church sacristies. We are presently conducting training courses for parishioners to use those defibrillators in time of emergencies.

Our Annual Parish Financial Statement will be available at all Masses in the Parish this weekend.

We appreciate parishioners' ongoing support during the year.

CHRISM MASS 2017

You are warmly invited to join with Bishop Denis and the priests of the diocese in the Cathedral, Carlow at 7:30 p.m. on Monday, April 10 to celebrate the Chrism Mass - the largest diocesan celebration held during the year!

Please support the Second National Collection for the World Meeting of Families 2018 which will be taken up on 1/2 April 2017

Kildare Christmas Pilgrimage to the Holy land 20th – 28th December 2017 for 8 nights. Ex Dublin. Taking in Bethlehem, Jerusalem (Mount of Olives, Garden of Gethsemane, Last Supper Room and Calvary), Mount Tabor, Cana, Nazareth, Jericho, Dead Sea and Sea of Galilee. Contact James Treacy 061-921470 or 0860572216

Monday 20th March is the Feast of St Joseph, Husband of Our Lady and Foster Father to Jesus. The faith, acceptance and obedience with which he lived out the will of God are an example to all of us. St Joseph, pray for us.

Clane Parish Shop

Saturday 25th March
Darragh O'Brien
Clane Altar Society
Breda Connolly, Eileen Duffy Mamie & Frances

Many thanks to those who contributed, and those who collected and counted

Basket € 2779.27
Envelopes € 1218.62

THE MEANING OF FAMILY LIFE

How can family today find a deeper meaning in the noise of everyday life? Date: Tuesday 21st March
Time: 7:30pm in the Parish centre, Clane
Join us for a free, relaxed talk and discussion on the challenges of modern day family life.
An informal gathering of our community for our community. Please contact Terri Coonan on 086 3226915/045 861036 or e mail coonan.terri@gmail.com

The Migraine Association of Ireland Free Public Information Seminar will take place in the Maldron Hotel, Portlaoise on Thursday, March 30th 2017 from 7 pm until 9 pm.

Dr. Muhammad Tariq, Consultant Paediatrician & Childhood Headache Expert from the Midlands Regional Hospital will describe the causes, triggers and different types of headache that can occur in childhood and the best possible treatments available to provide relief and prevent regular attacks.

Jane Melling, Clinical Nurse Specialist, Migraine Clinic, Dublin Neurological Institute, Mater Hospital will discuss the treatment options for adult migraine sufferers and the services and treatments provided in the nationwide Migraine Clinics

Light refreshments will be served and there is no charge to attend.

To book tickets for this event, please call 1850 200 378 (ROI) or email info@migraine.ie

Love always protects, always trusts, always hopes, always perseveres. Love never fails.
1 Corinthians 13:8

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