

Our Faithful Departed.....

Peggy Carew, Ballinagappa, Clane

Mary Galvin, Dublin, sister of Fergal Lee, College Road

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

Masses for the Week

Clane		
Saturday 19th May	6.30pm	Ina Murphy (First Anniversary) & deceased members of the Murphy family, Reuben & Kathleen Thomas, Sean O'Shea, Christy O'Shea, William O'Shea, Sheila & Dick Underwood, Ann, Andy, Sean & Josie Dunne, Mary Nugent (Birthday Remembrance) David O'Neill, Kevin O'Neill (Birthday Remembrance), Michael Doherty, Ann McCabe
Sunday 20th May	9.30am	John Mastela, James Fadden
	11.30am	Eileen Burke (Birthday Remembrance), William & Pat Burke
Monday 21st May	7.30pm	Novena Mass
Tuesday 22nd May	10.00am	Sick of the Parish
Wed 23rd May	10.00am	
Thursday 24th May	10.00am	Aidan Kiely
Friday 25th May	10.00am	Joe & Ellen Flynn
Saturday 26th May	10.00am	Service of the Word and Holy Communion
	6.30pm	Michael McAndrew (Months Mind Mass), Kelvin O'Sullivan, Adrian McManmon, John Curran (Birthday Remembrance)
Sunday 27th May	9.30am	People of the Parish
	11.30am	Patrick Doran, Patrick Doran Junior, Maureen & Paddy Loomam

Rathcoffey

Sunday 20th May	10.30am	People of the Parish
Sunday 27th May	10.30am	

	Saturday 26th 6.30pm	Sunday 27th 9.30am	Sunday 27th 11.30am	Sunday 27th 10.30am
	Clane	Clane	Clane	Rathcoffey
Ministers of the Eucharist	Erica Grehan Laura Hamilton Marie Hanrahan Cyrena Hayes Monica Kilkenny	Maura Losty Katherine Martin Paddy Moore Margaret McDonald Hilary McDonnell	Rose Sullivan Anna Wolfe Bernadette Allen Kathleen Browne Anna Connolly	Brendan Travers Jetta Weld
Ministers of the Word	Aine White Clare Byrne	First Communion Mass	First Communion Mass	Declan Forde
Servers	3	4	5	1
Basket Collectors (May)	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 26th			Una Duffy, Damian McCaffrey	

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Clane Church, 1884 – 2018

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Pentecost Sunday

20th May 2018

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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

Phone: 045-861393

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www.claneparish.com
WebCam/Live Streaming
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First Holy Communion

A special welcome to all our young children and their families to our First Holy Communion Ceremonies in Clane.

We remember all who have supported them in their preparation since last October.

Enjoy this family and faith filled day!

Making your decision

While Christians in general are against abortion and the teaching of the Catholic Church is absolutely opposed to it, citizens still face a choice as to repealing the 8th Amendment to the Irish Constitution.

How will you make your decision?

Avoid the question altogether and not vote?

Make a snap decision at the last moment influenced by the media bite?

Engage in a process of informed reflection leading to a decision?

Whatever way you go about it, the referendum decision will change lives and the life of the unborn child.

PARISH LOTTO DRAW

Tuesday 15th May 2018

3, 6, 14, 24

No winner of this weeks Jackpot

3 x €50 prize winners

Anthony Moore, Mary Greene,
Aiden Travers

Promoters Draw – 2 x €50 prize winners

Lourdes Fund, Moira Daly

€25 prize winner

Andrew Tite

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.**

Parish Novena

**A welcome to Elma Walsh of the
Live Life Foundation who will be
our guest speaker at this
Monday's Parish Novena in
Clane Church at 7.30pm.
A welcome to all.**

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament will take
place from 10.30am (after 10 o'clock Mass) until
10pm on 25th May 2018—Referendum Day. Vol-
unteers are needed to spend time in the church
during these hours praying for the protection of
the life of the unborn child.

Please leave your name and contact details in the
Parish Office as soon as possible.

Knock 2018

A bus will leave Clane Parish Church at 8am
on Sunday June 3rd 2018 to take pilgrims to
Knock for the Kildare & Leighlin Diocesan
Pilgrimage led by Bishop Denis Nulty.

The cost will be €20 return
Names to Clane Parish Office

Thought for the Week

Forgiveness is even more important than law and order.

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.

Parish Golf Classic

**Our annual Parish Golf Classic takes
place at Clongowes Wood on Friday
June 1st with kind permission of the
Jesuit Community and Clane Golf Club.**

**Our time sheet is with Des
Marron, Main Street 045 868112.
Teams of three €100/€120.
Tee box sponsorship of €50
All support most welcome.**

Fr Paul will celebrate the Graduation Mass
for sixth years in Scoil Mhuire this coming
Wednesday, 23rd at 7.30pm.
A welcome to all.

**Church teaching—Why is cherishing human 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 principle, there
are some children to whom the right does not
apply because they have 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.

Some claim that we have been behind the times
in Ireland in regard to abortion. I would argue the
very opposite; that upholding the right to life of
the unborn is timely and far seeing. We risk
compromising our humanity if we do not
continue to be supportive of life, even when this
poses great difficulties. Therefore for all of the
above reasons, on 25th May I will be voting no to
affirm human life and thereby the common good.

I ask you to join me in voting to retain the
Constitutional right to life of the unborn child.

Bishop Denis Nulty

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

Clane Parish Shop

Saturday 26th May

Mary Kelly

Clane Altar Society

Maureen McCormack

Mary Cleary

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

Basket € 1,159.24
Envelopes € 1,329.10

Psalm 23—A Japanese Version
The Lord is my pacesetter, I shall not rush.
He makes me stop for quiet intervals, He
provides me with images of stillness, which
Restore my serenity. He leads me in the
ways of efficiency through calmness of
mind, And His guidance is peace.
Even though I have a great many things to
accomplish each day I will not fret, for His
presence is here. His timelessness, His all
importance will keep me in balance. He
prepares refreshment and renewal in the
midst of my activity by anointing my mind
with the oil of his tranquillity.
My cup of joyous energy overflows.
Surely harmony and effectiveness shall be
the fruit of my hours.
And I shall walk in the place of the Lord
and dwell in His house forever.

Sunflower Days

Friday June 8th/Saturday June 9th
Please support for St Brigid's Hospice,
The Curragh.
If you can spare some time to volunteer
please contact 086 373 8548

Prayer for preparation to study

Lord Jesus Christ, I know you are with me
and love me.
Give me peace of mind as I prepare for this
time of study.
Help me to focus on my books and notes.
Keep me from all distractions so that I will
make the best use of the time that is
available to me.
Give me an insight that I might understand
what I am studying and help me to remember it
when the time comes.
Above all, I thank you for the ability to study
and for the many gifts and talents you have
given me. Help me always to use them in such
a way that they honour you and do justice to
myself. Amen.

Parish Safeguarding Representatives

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CLANE MUSICAL & DRAMATIC SOCIETY
The Society would like to thank everyone who
supported our annual Cake Sale last weekend.
Your continued help is greatly appreciated.
Our 2018 play will be decided between **Blood
Brothers (the play version), Dancing at
Lughnasa and Many Young Men of Twenty**
following staged readings of extracts from each
play next Tuesday night the 22nd May at 8.00pm
in The Abbey.

All welcome - €2 charge on the night.
Auditions for the chosen play will take place in
The Abbey on Tuesday 29th May at 8.00pm.]
For further information telephone 087 7916989.

Blood Donors needed!

The Irish Blood transfusion Board's mobile team will
be at Clane GAA Hall on Monday 28th May from
3pm—5pm and 7pm—9pm. Around 3,000 units are
needed each week to cater for emergency and routine
cases requiring transfusions of blood and blood
products all over Ireland. Further information is
available from the IBTSB at 1850 731 137 or from their
website at www.giveblood.ie

Millicent Singers Summer Concert

on Friday 25th May at 8pm in the Church of Our
Lady and St Joseph, Caragh, Co Kildare.
Tickets are €15 available from Hughes
Pharmacy, Marrons Clane, McAuley Place &
Sean the Barber, Prosperous or by calling
0872036722 or email: info@millicentsingers.ie

**There will be a church gate collection at all
Masses this weekend for Outreach Zambia.**
**Please support the group from Scoil Mhuire
who will travel out next month.**

Please support the special collection
envelope in your yearly box of envelopes
for next weekend's collection for the
priests of the Diocese. Many thanks

For more information
WWW.CLANEPARISH.COM
WWW.RATHCOFFEYPARISH.COM
WWW.KANDLE.IE (Diocesan website)