

Our Faithful Departed.....Tony Meehan, Loughbolland
Betty Dowling, Robertstown, mother of Anne Marie o'Brien, Firmount
may he rest in peace, Amen.

Masses for the Week

<u>Clane</u>		
Saturday 24th Dec	6.30pm	Barry Gallagher, Sandra Cribbin, Edmond & Ina Behan, John & Kathleen Ussher (late of the Range), Mick Ussher
	9.00pm	Nan McCormack, Ned & Mai Horken, Bridie & John Ryan, John Nolan, Eileen, William & Pat Burke, Austin Daly, Mary, Thomas & Des Daly, Sheila & Paddy Donovan, Margaret Murphy, Thomas & Mary Losty, Denis & Mary Colgan, John & Bridget Losty, Kevin & Thomas Maloney, Pauline, Paul & Peter Devine, Chris Kietz (Birthday Remembrance), Diana, Jack & Pat Mooney, The Leonard & McEvoy Families
Sunday 25th Dec	9.30am	Adele O'Rafferty
	11.30am	Brian Manzor
Monday 26th Dec	10.00am	
Tuesday 27th Dec	10.00am	
Wed 28th Dec	10.00am	Jim Byrne, Michael Weedle
Thursday 29th Dec	10.00am	William King
Friday 30th Dec	10.00am	Bernadette Bailey
Saturday 31st Dec	10.00am	Service of the Word and Holy Communion
	6.30pm	Thomas Losty
Sunday 1st Jan	9.30am	Adele O'Rafferty (Birthday Remembrance)
	11.30am	

Rathcoffey

Saturday 24th Dec	8.30pm	
Sunday 25th Dec	10.30am	
Sunday 1st Jan	10.30am	John, Nora & Pat Moran, Ella Dalton, Tommy Maguire, Paddy Smith & Deceased Members of the Maguire Family

	Saturday 31st 6.30pm	Sunday 1st 9.30am	Sunday 1st 11.30am	Sunday 1st 10.30am
	Clane	Clane	Clane	Rathcoffey
Ministers of the Eucharist	Mary Kiely Anne Behan Christine Behan Laura Browne Peg Carroll	Kathleen Brennan Sheila Briody Michael Clifford Anne Cribbin Matthew Cribbin	Bernadette Allen Kathleen Browne Maura Callanan Anna Connolly Alice Corbett	Aisling Behan Ray Barry
Ministers of the Word	Christy Kirwan Dabeet Lynch	Des Drumm Gerry Fagan	Barbara Hanway Maura McCormack	Declan Forde
Basket Collectors	Joe Higgins Mick Gill Michael Wallace	Maurice Shortt Nick Fitzgerald Paddy Moore	Damian McCaffrey Mick Richardson PJ Sheridan	
Service of the Word and Holy Communion Sat 31st	Michael Wallace, Sean O'Hara			

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Clane Church, 1884 – 2011

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The Nativity of the Lord

25th December 2011

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Weekend Mass Times

Clane

Saturday	6.30pm
Sunday	9.30am
	11.30am

Rathcoffey

Sunday	10.30am
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Parish Shop and Office

The Parish Centre
Main Street Clane
OPENING HOURS

Monday to Friday	9.30am – 4pm
Saturday	10.30am – 1pm

Phone: 045-861393

Email: claneparish@eircom.net
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Christmas Peace

**Our thoughts and prayers
turn towards the Crib of
Bethlehem and the coming
of the Prince of Peace.**

**We all long for peace within
and the strength to face the
challenges of each new day.**

**We have much to be
thankful for too: our homes
and families, friendships
and all those things that
make our lives so special.**

**We wish all our
parishioners a peaceful
and restful Christmas.**

**May the Prince of Peace,
our Lord, bring you peace,
hope and joy always.**

PARISH LOTTO DRAW
Tuesday 20th December 2011
6, 13, 20, 29
Congratulations to Joe Weldon
And Teresa Galvin (promoter)

3 x €50 prize winners

Sheila Cribbin, Diane Kirby,
M Lohan

Promoters Draw – 2 x €50 prize winners

Mamie O'Connell, Teresa Galvin

2 x €25 prize winners

Jonathan McCann, Vincent

Next Jackpot:

€ 2,000

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

The Annual Christmas Collection
for the Priests of the Parish takes
place at all Masses on Christmas
Day. We thank people for their
on-going support at all times.

Lord Jesus,
You took on human flesh in order to
show your love for humankind and
to enter into, embrace, and trans-
form human suffering. Help me to
face my suffering by seeing it as
united with your own redemptive
suffering. May I draw closer to you
through my experience of suffering
and by reaching out to others who
suffer. I look forward to the day
when your Kingdom will be brought
to fulfilment and there will be no
more tears, suffering or dying.

See Revelation 21 : 4

Thought for the Week
Jesus Christ, the human face of God.

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.

There will be no Parish Lotto Draw on Tues-
day 27th December 2011. Thanks to all who
have supported the Lotto this year. We look
forward to continuing in 2012, beginning on
Tuesday 3rd January at 9pm in the Parish
Centre.

Many congratulations to Joe Weldon, on winning the
parish Lotto Draw Jackpot of €9,500 last Tuesday
night, and to promoter Teresa Galvin. Who won the
promoter's prize of €950.

Special thanks to the Millicent Singers
for their generous donation of €300
towards our Parish Benevolent Fund,
the proceeds of their recent concert in
Clane Parish Church.

We invite all children baptised during
2011 and their parents to a special Bap-
tism Blessing at the 11.30am Mass on
Sunday 8th January in Clane, on the
Feast of the Baptism of The Lord.

MAGIC

It's in the snowflake skies of
children's wishes,
It's in the music of children's
laughter.
It's in the breathlessness of
children's anticipation.
It's in the faith of children's
embraces.
The magic of Christmas is here...
in the childlike wonder of all of us.

Judith A Lindberg

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 1st January
Closed

Clane Altar Society

Maureen McCormack
Mary Cleary

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

Basket € 1348.09
Envelopes € 1563.16

Today a Light will shine
upon us, for the Lord is born
for us; and he will be called
Wondrous God, Prince of
Peace, Father of Future
Ages, and his reign will be
without end.

Lourdes 2012

Our Parish Pilgrimage to Lourdes will
be from 28th August to 2nd September
2012. The all inclusive cost is €749, full
board, with Tully's Travel of Carlow.
Details of the itinerary are available from
Mary Deay in the parish shop. A savings
option will be available through the
parish shop for all pilgrims to avail of.

Holy Land 2012

Our Parish Pilgrimage to the Holy Land
takes place from 17th—25th April 2012,
visiting Bethlehem, Jerusalem, the Lake
of Galilee, Nazareth, the Dead Sea, and
much more. The itinerary is available at
the Parish Office, Main St, Clane
045—861393

A Night of Music will take place
on Wednesday 28th December in
Clane G.A.A. Commencing at
8pm, this promises to be a great
night. To perform, please
contact Barry Walshe
on 086 7900329. Event is
organised by Clane St. Patrick's
Day Festival Committee.
Admission is 5 euro.

RATHCOFFEY G.A.A. LOTTO RESULTS

18th December 2011. Jackpot: € 14,400

Numbers drawn: 13, 16, 20, 24

There was no winner.

In-house winner, Tom Walsh

Sellers Prize: Paddy Travers

€20 to each of the following; Mick McAndrew,

Ann Greavy, Pauric Farrell, John Flood

Jackpot next week: € 14,500

The Clane GOAL Mile takes place on
St Stephen's Day in Clane GAA Club
from 10:30am - 12:30pm.
Please come and take part!
All donations welcome on the day!

The Parish Shop and Office will
close on Saturday 24th December
2011, and re-open on Tuesday 3rd
January 2012.

Maybe the Christmas Message this year
is a challenge for all of us to
become more involved. It is not so much
a question of giving more, it is a question
of giving more of ourselves.

Please watch out for
neighbours over the Christmas period.
Unfortunately there have been a number of
break-ins in the area recently, so please
keep an eye out for each other over the
holidays.

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