

Our Faithful Departed.....

Liam McLaughlin, Buncrana, Co Donegal, brother of Noeleen Conboy, Butterstream
 Helen Killick, Rathfarnham, mother of Paul Killick, LoughboroughMay they rest in peace.

Masses for the Week

Clane
 Saturday 24th 6.0pm Fran Connolly, Francie Cribbin, Kathleen & Christopher Halpin, Michael Lawlor, Frank & Mary Christianseen, Kathleen O'Neill (Birthday Remembrance), Barry Gallagher, Kathleen & Christy Mc Mahon, Sr Francis Bernardine, Deceased members of the Fogarty Family, Joe, Maisie, Ambrose & Harry Bracken
 7.30pm Thomas & Mary Losty, Ann Dunne, Mick, John & Kathleen Ussher, Anna & Barney Curran, Edward & Ina Behan, Austin Daly Jnr, Thomas, Mary, Joe & Des Daly, Eileen, William & Pat Burke, Sheila & Paddy Donovan, Bill & Genny O'Connor
 9pm John & Brigid Ryan, Sean (John) Nolan, Margaret Murphy, John, Joe & Mona Noonan, Nan McCormack, Jim Brien, Brien & Kelly Families, Leonard, Brien, McEvoy & Murphy families
 Sunday 25th 9.30am Sean, Christy & Willie O'Shea, Eileen Hassett, Michael & Margaret Noone, Mai & Paddy Carroll, Luke & Helen O'Shea, Bill & Tess Hickey, Mick & Marie Duffy, John & Catherine Cullen
 11.30am Hugh Hackett, Melody Dearce, Paddy Mallon, Kieran Mallon, George & Brian Manzor, Jim & Betty Dowling, Thomas Joseph Cribbin, Agnes & Bill Gavin, Nancy Kirby, James & Ellen Fadden
 Monday 26th 10am
 Tuesday 27th 10am Peter Gillman
 Wed 28th 10am Homer Buck, Lily Murrin, Michael & Mary Murrin
 Thursday 29th 10am
 Friday 30th 10am
 Saturday 31st 10am Service of the Word and Holy Communion
 6.30pm Thomas Losty, Eugene Ryan, Paddy Gill
 Sunday 1st Jan 9.30am Eugene Ryan
 11.30am Theresa Murphy (First Anniversary), Joe & Mary Jo McCormack, Joe, Mona & John Noonan

Rathcoffey

Saturday 24th 9pm Jimmy, Mary, Seamie & Francie Reilly
 Sunday 25th 10.30am
 Sunday 1st 10.30am Tommy Maguire & Deceased Family Members, Ella Dalton, John, Nora, Tom & Pat Moran

	Saturday 31st 6.30pm	Sunday 1st 9.30am	Sunday 1st 11.30am	Sunday 1st 10.30am
	Clane	Clane	Clane	Rathcoffey
Ministers of the Eucharist	Anne Behan Caroline Behan Elizabeth Behan Padraig Carbury Peg Carroll	Carmel Shortt Sheila Briody Michael Clifford Anne Cribbin Matthew Cribbin	Colette O'Byrne Marie O'Connell Sean O'Hara Sean O'Riordan Bernadett Plunkett	Catherine Moriarty Grainne Ward
Ministers of the Word	Eugene O'Hagan Amalia Alcaide	Gerry Fagan Charlotte Hackett	Senan Maguire Lucy Mullins	Sara Egan
Servers	4	5	6	3
Basket Collectors (January)	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 31st	Michael Wallace, Sean O'Hara			

Clane & Rathcoffey Parish Newsletter

Clane Church, 1884 – 2016

Rathcoffey Church, 1710 – 2016

The Nativity of the Lord

25th December 2016

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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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 WebCam/Live Streaming
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Christmas 2016

Christmas, a time when we are drawn to the Crib of Bethlehem with its message of hope, peace and human vulnerability.

God is with us, Emmanuel as a little child whose life and message brings hope and meaning to life.

We extend good wishes to all our Clane & Rathcoffey parishioners and visitors home from abroad.

May this be a time for home and family, rest and togetherness for all of us.

Jesus is the heart of Christmas.

PARISH LOTTO DRAW
Tuesday 20th December 2016

3, 7, 27, 30

No winner of this weeks Jackpot

3 x €50 prize winners

Tina Devine, Darragh O'Brien,
Julian Mackey

Promoters Draw – 2 x €50 prize winners

Lourdes Fund, Moira Daly

€25 prize winner

Moira Daly

Jackpot for January 3rd 2017:

€ 3,200

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

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

A Prayer for Peace
Living Lord,

**Give us a passion for justice and
a yearning to right all wrong.
Strengthen us to work for peace
in the land we call holy,
For peace among Jew,
Christian and Muslim,
For reconciliation
between communities,
For harmony between faiths.
Inspire us to act with the urgency
of your quickening fire,
For Blessed are the
Peacemakers, they shall be
called the children of God
Amen.**

Hope smiles from the threshold of the
year to come,
Whispering 'it will be happier'...
— Alfred Tennyson

Thought for the Week

Preach the Gospel, use words only when necessary.

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.

If your child was baptised during 2016
we would like to invite you to attend
Mass on Sunday 8th January 2017 at
11.30am in Clane Parish Church, the
Feast of the Baptism of Jesus. During
Mass each child will receive a special
blessing and a holy medal to take
home. We will be delighted to
welcome everybody on January 8th.
Fr Paul and the parish baptism team.

The Christmas Collection for the
Priests of the Parish takes place at
all Masses on Christmas Day.

We thank people for their ongoing
support during the year.

Why not remind friends and family
away from home this Christmas
that they can watch all of our
ceremonies from Clane Church live
on our web cam at
www.claneparish.com

6th January 2017
Feast of the Epiphany of the Lord
Masses in the Parish
Rathcoffey 10.30am
Clane 11.30am and 7.30pm

The Team Hope Shoeboxes collected here
in the parish went to Swaziland in Africa.
Swaziland has the highest HIV infection
rate in the world, and many of the children
getting boxes are orphans, often living in
households headed up by the eldest child.
Thank you once again for your support!

**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 31st January
Closed
Clane Altar Society
Una Duffy, Anna Connolly,
Margaret McDonald

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

Basket € 1961.09
Envelopes € 1074.46

A Christmas Message from Bishop Denis

On this Christmas Day, I greet you,
your families and loved ones with every
grace and blessing!
It's over 2000 years since God's Son was born
in a stable in Bethlehem. He was the same as
any other baby - needing to be fed and
changed, needing to be held and loved.
Like all babies - like the children of your
own family - he melted the hearts of those
who looked upon him or held him in their arms.
That's how God comes to us still -
asking for our love.

We can direct him to the darkness of the
stable because we have no space for him in
our busy lives, or we can make room in our
hearts to receive him with love.
Your presence here today, in God's house,
celebrating the birth of the Christ child is a sign
of your willingness to welcome God into your
hearts and homes. I want you to know each
one of you is always welcome in God's house.
Your presence is a gift; your presence helps us
to recognise that God is indeed with us; your
presence gives us hope that the light will
conquer the darkness that at times threatens
to overwhelm humanity!
This Christmas, conscious of the turmoil in our
world, conscious of the challenges of poverty,
homelessness and materialism in society,
conscious of our own need to be made whole,
let us welcome Christ once more and allow
ourselves to be held in that loving
embrace of God.
+Denis Nulty

Scoil Phádraig
Enrolment for Junior Infants, 2017/2018

Dates: Tuesday 24th, Wednesday,
25th and Thursday 26th of January, 2017
Times: 9.30a.m. – 12noon and
2.00p.m. - 3.00p.m.

Location: Entrance Lobby
Closing Date: 10th of February, 2017

**Parents should bring along
a copy of the Child's Birth
Certificate, Baptismal Certificate
(if Baptised outside of the Parish of
Clane), PPS Number and copy of a
recent Utility Bill as proof of address.**

**Looking for a career in the care sector? Family
Carers Ireland are providing the QQI Level 5
Healthcare Award in 2017 in or around this
area based on demand. One day topic specific
workshops also available. For more info contact
the training unit on 0579322920.**

Christmas is not a time nor a season, but a state of mind.
To cherish peace and goodwill, to be plenteous in mercy,
is to have the real spirit of Christmas.

Le Chéile Deadline
The deadline for receipt of material for the
January issue of Le Chéile is Monday 27th
December. To 142 Loughbollard please.
Tel. 045-868474. E-mail:
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The annual church gate collection for Spina
Bifida Hydrocephalus Ireland, Kildare Branch, is
scheduled to take place on weekend of
2nd /3rd January 2017.
In SBHI, Kildare Branch services and activities
are provided, on a voluntary basis, for the
health and wellbeing of members. This
includes weekly sports club, independence
training seminars, personal care assistance,
respite care opportunities, a variety of social
activities, and also assistance in
hardship cases. The annual church gate
collection is a very important source of funds
to enable the group to continue with this work.

**A very Happy and Peaceful Christmas to
all our parishioners, especially those
who have worked so hard to make our
Christmas services so special.**

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