

Our Faithful Departed.....

Margaret Memdes, Mother of Kate Horrigan, Hillview Heights
John Mitchell, Capdoo

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

Masses for the Week

Clane			
Saturday 26th Nov	6.30pm	Josephine Conway (First Anniversary), Nellie & Mick Ennis, Mick Gill, Peter Wallace, John, Mary & Marie McGrath, Edel & David Kerwick, Margaret Reilly, Brother Malachy Daly, Catherine Merriman & Deceased Family Members, Catherine Connolly	
Sunday 27th Nov	9.30am	People of the Parish	
	11.30am	Elizabeth Whistler, Joseph & Agnes Byrne	
Monday 28th Nov	10.00am		
Tuesday 29th Nov	10.00am	Peter & May Coonan, Deceased members of the Legion of Mary	
Wed 30th Nov	10.00am	John Mitchell	
Thursday 1st Dec	10.00am		
Friday 2nd Dec	10.00am	John Mitchell	
Saturday 3rd Dec	10.00am	Service of the Word and Holy Communion	
	6.30pm	Kit Sherry	
Sunday 4th Dec	9.30am	People of the Parish	
	11.30am	Esther Corrigan, Tommy Ennis, Patrick & Julia Griffin	

Rathcoffey

Sunday 26th Nov	10.30am	Bill & Mary Merriman
Sunday 4th Dec	10.30am	Tom & Christina Moore, Mick & Seamus Kennedy

	Saturday 3rd 6.30pm	Sunday 4th 9.30am	Sunday 4th 11.30am	Sunday 4th 10.30am
	Clane	Clane	Clane	Rathcoffey
Ministers of the Eucharist	Anne Behan Christine Behan Laura Browne Peg Carroll Tom Cleary	Kathleen Brennan Sheila Briody Michael Clifford Anne Cribbin Matthew Cribbin	Kathleen Browne Maura Callanan Anna Connolly Alice Corbett Maureen Cummins	Bernie Barry Aisling Behan
Ministers of the Word	Amalia Alcaide Claire Byrne	Do this in Memory Mass	Noel dela Pena Breda Dunne	Ray Barry
Basket Collectors (December)	Tom Casey Joe Higgins Mick Gill	Maurice Shortt Nick Fitzgerald Paddy Moore	Damian McCaffrey Mick Richardson PJ Sheridan	
Service of the Word and Holy Communion Sat 3rd			Sheila Briody, Una Duffy	

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First Sunday of Advent

27th November 2011

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Advent

**Advent begins this
Sunday, and we begin
our spiritual journey
towards the Stable of
Bethlehem.**

**It is a time of hope, of
waiting in silence for the
Prince of Peace.**

**Lord, help us prepare for
the coming of Christ so
that we may truly
present him with a gift
worth giving on
Christmas Day.**

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 – 4pm
Saturday 10.30am – 1pm

Phone: 045-861393

Email: claneparish@eircom.net
www.claneparish.com

PARISH LOTTO DRAW
Tuesday 22nd November 2011
3, 13, 19, 31

No winner of this weeks Jackpot

3 x €50 prize winners

Maureen O'Connor, Mary Dunne
Catherine Nolan

Promoters Draw – 2 x €50 prize winners

Sally Sheridan, Mary Dunne

2 x €25 prize winners

Marian Fennell, Moira Fogarty

Next week's Jackpot:

€ 8,750

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

Minimum €300 worth
of prizes every week.

**We welcome our young people from
sixth class who are preparing for
Confirmation to Mass this weekend for
their Enrolment Ceremonies.
Confirmation will take place on 24th
and 25th March 2012**

Our Parish Carol Service with the four parish
choirs and friends takes place on Sunday
December 11th at 7.30pm in Clane Parish
Church. Donations on the night towards the
Clane & Rathcoffey Parish Lourdes Fund.

**Our Parish Calendars are on sale in
the parish shop and other shops in
the village and after all weekend
Masses. Some lovely photos of
parish life.**

People are invited to take a tag from our
Giving Tree in the church and to leave a gift
there. The gifts will be given to the St
Vincent de Paul Society and distributed
locally in our community before Christmas.

Thought for the Week
People mirror the goodness and kindness 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.

**SONGS OF PRAISE Sunday 27 November at 3
PM in St Michael & All Angels, Millicent.**

Music of worship from organists Damien Duffy,
Peter Thew & Dawn Kelly AND performances by
our Youth Music Group.

Prayer against Anxiety & Depression

Lord, when all is darkness and we feel our
weakness and helplessness, give us the sense
of your presence, your love and your strength.
Help us to have perfect trust in your
protecting love. Bless us with your
strengthening power so nothing may frighten
or worry us. We trust that in living close to
you, we shall see your hand, your purpose,
your will through all things. Amen.

Our First Communion Masses for children and
parents continue on Tuesday 29th November at
7.30pm in Clane Parish Hall. Tea and
refreshments will be served afterwards.

St Vincent de Paul—Clane Conference

The Christmas Collection for our local St Vincent
de Paul Conference will take place in the Church
Grounds at all Masses in Clane & Rathcoffey on
Saturday 3rd and Sunday 4th December.

Please continue to support the work of the St
Vincent de Paul Society to the best of your ability
in these difficult economic times. There are
increasing calls on their resources for assistance.
Many thanks in anticipation.

**Clane Union of Parishes invites you to the CHRISTMAS STAR
2011 Singing Contest Semi-Final on Sat 3rd December at 8
PM in Millicent Golf Club.** Admission €10 Adult / €5 Student
(includes voting card). Enjoy an evening of brilliant live
performances from local acts competing for a place in the
final. Decided by 3 judges PLUS audience vote - please
support your favourite performer

**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 3rd Dec
Catherine Murphy
Clane Altar Society
Maureen McCormack
Mary Cleary

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

Basket € 1627.36
Envelopes € 1288.24

The Advent Wreath.

The origins of the Advent wreath are ancient and
probably pagan, but there is a symbolism within the
wreath and its five candles. The circle of greenery
reminds us that God is eternal, without beginning or
end, and also of the hope of eternal life. The candles
symbolise the light of God entering the world through
the birth of Jesus, and the four outer candles
represent a period of waiting. Whilst the light from the
candles reminds us that Jesus is the light of the world
that comes into the darkness of our lives it also
reminds us that we are called to be a light to the
world as we reflect the light of God's love and grace.
to others. The centre candle is white and is called the
Christ Candle. It is traditionally lit on Christmas Eve to
celebrate the arrival of the Christ Child.

Rathcoffey Camogie Club

Are holding their annual Senior Citizens' Christmas
Party on Sunday 11th December at 1pm in
Rathcoffey GAA Centre.
Any newcomers to the area who would like to attend,
please contact Helen on 045 861336.

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December Deadline is Monday 28th
November to 142 Loughbollard
Tel. 045-868474.
Email: margaretmcevoy1@eircom.net

'Carols by Candlelight' in Ballycane Church
Wed. 14th December 7.30 pm in aid of 'End of
Life Care' in Naas Hospital, through the
Friends of Naas Hospital. Featuring Ms. Celine
Byrne soprano (children participation at the
end). Tickets €10 or €30 for family ticket (4).
Contact Naas parish offices or NGH for tickets

KARE will be holding a monster Christmas Car
Boot Sale on the grounds of their offices in
Newbridge on Saturday 3rd December. It will
start from 10am. We will have stalls for clothes,
toys, games/cd/dvd and general household
items. There will also be tea, coffee and hot
chocolate available along with a selection of
homemade cakes. And, to make it a family
occasion there will be a bouncy castle and face
painting free of charge all day. If anyone would
like to donate any items to the sale, they can be
dropped to Central services Newbridge, or to
your local KARE Centre where they

RATHCOFFEY G.A.A. LOTTO RESULTS

20th November 2011. Jackpot: € 14,000

Numbers drawn: 9, 11, 20, 24

There was no winner.

In-house winner, Martin Keenan

Sellers Prize: Eamonn Cunningham

€20 to each of the following; Bernadette Noonan,

Clare Acton, Breda Noonan, Myra Gavin

Jackpot next week: € 14,100

**Wanted
Volunteer Advocates**

Third Age National Advocacy Programme
is looking for people who would like to become a
volunteer advocate for older people in residential
care. The aim is to empower older people in
residential care to voice their needs and wishes
and assert their rights.

Volunteers must be willing to undergo training
and Garda vetting. We are currently recruiting for
County Kildare.

Please contact Anne Harris at
045 988 310 or anne.harris1@hse.ie
or further information.

A Christmas Gift Sale (Crafts, Home bake,
Vintage china/glass) will take place in
Naas General Hospital Main Concourse on
Tuesday 6th December 8.30 – 3pm
in aid of the Mental Health Association, all
items priced reasonably to sell.

Well done to the Family Mass Group and
friends who sent 881 shoeboxes to Haiti
during the past week. Many thanks to all
who supported this venture once again!

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