

# Clane & Rathcoffey Parish Newsletter

Clane Church, 1884 – 2017

Rathcoffey Church, 1710 – 2017

Fifth Sunday of Lent

2nd April 2017

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## Masses for the Week

### Clane

Saturday 1st Apr	6.30pm	Vincent Watson, Michael Halligan, Bob Cusack (Birthday & Anniversary Remembrance)
Sunday 2nd Apr	9.30am	People of the parish
	11.30am	Ignatius McEvoy, Peter Devine, Tommie Moylan
Monday 3rd Apr	10.00am	Stephen O'Brien, The Harpur Family
Tuesday 4th Apr	10.00am	Sick of the parish
Wed 5th Apr	10.00am	Elizabeth McDonald (First Anniversary)
Thursday 6th Apr	10.00am	Helen Killick (100th Birthday Remembrance)
Friday 7th Apr	10.00am	Una Heffernan (Months Mind Mass), Hannah Corley
Saturday 8th Apr	10.00am	Service of the Word and Holy Communion
	6.30pm	Baby John David Hamilton Moore, Martin Phelan, Therese Moore, Noel Keegan, Joseph Higgins, Paddy & Susie Mitchell, Bridget & Joseph Maguire, Aidan & Mary McQuillan, James, Elizabeth & Jimmy Farrell
Sunday 9th Apr	9.30am	People of the Parish
	11.30am	Shirley Barnes O'Reilly

### Rathcoffey

Sunday 2nd Apr	10.30am	Jimmy (Buckley) Brilly, Maura Synnott, John Joseph Flanagan (Months Mind Mass)
Sunday 9th Apr	10.30am	Dominic Burke

	Saturday 8th 6.30pm	Sunday 9th 9.30am	Sunday 9th 11.30am	Sunday 9th 10.30am
	Clane	Clane	Clane	Rathcoffey
<b>Ministers of the Eucharist</b>	Padraig Carbury Peg Carroll Tom Cleary Diarmuid Coonan James Coonan	Sheila Briody Michael Clifford Anne Cribbin Matthew Cribbin Cait Cullen	Joe Malone Maureen Marron Colette O'Byrne Marie O'Connell Sean O'Riordan	Esther Hendrick Siobhan McCrystal
<b>Ministers of the Word</b>	Bernie Campbell Paula Carbury Noeleen Conboy	Kate O'Donoghue John Power Bernadette Ryan	Maura McCormack Padraig McEvoy Tony McEvoy	Niall Fagan Declan Forde Marie Meehan
<b>Servers</b>	7	5	6	3
<b>Basket Collectors (April)</b>	Damian McCaffrey Joe Higgins Mick Gill	John Ryan Nick Fitzgerald Paddy Moore	Kathleen Browne PJ Sheridan Martin Monaghan	
<b>Service of the Word and Holy Communion Sat 8th</b>			Sean O'Hara, Michael Wallace	

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### **Weekend Mass Times**

<b>Clane</b>	
Saturday	6.30pm
Sunday	9.30am
	11.30am
<b>Rathcoffey</b>	
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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**Jesus, Martha, Mary and their brother, Lazarus, were bound together in a close and enduring friendship.**

**It was a love which caused Jesus to weep beside the tomb of his beloved friend Lazarus (John 11:35).**

**The raising of Lazarus was an act of witness to the power of God over death and to the importance of the gift of friendship.**

**The love of God transformed grief into joy and death into life.**

**Death comes in many forms.**

**It may be the death of hope; it may be the deadening effect of pain, or the life sapping impact of a relentlessly demanding routine.**

**Whatever the wretchedness we meet, whether in friend or stranger, if we can embrace the person with love and compassion, then the work of mercy will flow from our hearts.**

**PARISH LOTTO DRAW**

**Tuesday 28th March 2017**

**2, 3, 5, 11**

**No winner of this weeks Jackpot**

**3 x €50 prize winners**

Pauline Ussher, Carmel Kennelly,  
Tina Devine

**Promoters Draw – 2 x €50 prize winners**

Benevolent Fund, Teresa Galvin,

**€25 prize winner**

Teresa Jones

**Next week's Jackpot:**

**€ 5,800**

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

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

**Parish Novena**

**Our annual Parish Novena to Our  
Lady will take place on four  
Monday evenings in May this  
year. May 1st, 8th, 15th and 22nd.  
More details to follow soon.**

An invitation to all Parish Readers and  
Ministers of the Eucharist to attend  
Mass on Holy Thursday, April 13th  
on Clane at 7.30pm and Rathcoffey at  
7.30pm to receive a special blessing in  
this Ministry in our parish.

At all Masses this weekend a  
sister from the Holy Rosary  
Missionary Congregation will  
speak about their work.  
We invite people to give a  
little extra in the offertory  
collection in support of their  
work. Many thanks

**Thought for the Week**

Lord, be near me, to calm me, to clear my mind and take away my fears.

**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.

**Holy Week and Easter**

**Sheets outlining our Ceremonies for  
Holy Week and Easter are available  
in both churches to take home.**

Many thanks to Gerry Mallon and  
Carolyn Conlon who co-ordinated our  
two recent training nights with the AED  
Defibrillator for our 22 parish  
volunteers. There is an AED device in  
both Clane and Rathcoffey churches.

**Fr John Sullivan SJ**

We look forward to the beatification of Fr  
John Sullivan SJ in Gardiner Street Church,  
Dublin, on May 13th at 11am; a very  
special day for all! More details to follow..

**Prayer for Hope and Courage**

*May faith sustain me and hope  
be my constant companion.*

*May I believe in my heart  
that God loves me.*

*May I rise above life's trials  
with courage and succeed  
through perseverance.*

*May peace and serenity surround me  
and may I experience God's strength  
every step of the way.*

*Amen.*

**Chrism Mass 2017**

You are warmly invited to join with Bishop Denis  
for the annual celebration of the Chrism Mass in  
the Cathedral, Carlow on Monday April 10th at  
7.30pm, followed by a cuppa in Carlow College.  
Please come early to be sure of a seat! Parking  
available in Carlow College, entrance opposite  
Court House on the Old Dublin Road.

**Items for the Parish  
Newsletter must be in to  
the Parish Office by  
12 noon on Wednesday**  
Email [claneparish@eircom.net](mailto:claneparish@eircom.net)

**Clane Parish Shop**

Saturday 8th April  
Catherine Murphy

**Clane Altar Society**

Ann Fadden  
Fionnuala Conroy

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

Basket € 1525.48  
Envelopes € 1043.53

The first day of spring is one thing, and the  
first spring day is another. The difference  
between them is sometimes as great as a  
month. ~Henry Van Dyke

**DAFFODIL DAY**

The total raised on Friday 24th March in  
Clane was €6942. A very special thank you  
to all who donated, and to all the  
volunteers who made this possible for  
a very worthy cause.

**Rathcoffey Altar Society**

Will hold a Church Gate Collection on the  
Saturday and Sunday of Easter Weekend for  
flowers for the Church.

Thank you for your support!

Spring is Nature's way of saying  
"Let's party!" *Robin Williams*

Friday 7th April is the Feast Day of St John  
Baptist de la Salle, who lived from 1651 to  
1719. He devoted his life to the care and  
education of poor children and the training of  
teachers. He formed his companions into the  
Brothers of the Christian Schools, and is the  
patron saint of teachers.

We thank God for the commitment and  
dedication of our teachers, and for the work  
of our parish schools.

**Clane Musical & Dramatic Society will  
be launching their 2017 musical**

'Carousel' on 4<sup>th</sup> April! All are  
welcome to come to the Manzor's pub in  
Clane from 8:30pm and be treated to a sneak  
peak of what the cast and crew of CMDS have  
been working on for the past months – an  
opportunity not to be missed!

**The show will be staged from  
Monday 1<sup>st</sup> May until Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> May.  
For more information please contact  
[Clanemusicalsociety@gmail.com](mailto:Clanemusicalsociety@gmail.com)**

Since October 2013, the RSA's 'Check it  
Fits' Service has checked over 21,000 child  
car seats and restraints in Ireland. The  
Check it Fits service is quick, it's easy, it's  
free. On Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> April the service will  
be available in Toyota Crossing Motor  
Centre, Monread from 10am—5.30pm, and  
on Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> April in Supervalu, St  
Wolstan's Shopping Centre, Celbridge from  
10am—5.30pm. Ensure your child's car seat  
is safely and securely fitted in your car!

**'Family Day' at Knock Shrine**

On Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> April, 'Celebrating  
Family; Preparing for World Meeting of  
Families 2018' will be held at Knock  
Shrine. This will be a day-long event,  
the main purpose of which is to invite  
families to the National Shrine and  
help them to prepare for the World  
Meeting of Families next year. It is  
also an important aspect of trying to  
link in with Pope Francis' message of  
renewal of faith in Ireland and of the  
family. The programme for the day will  
consist of a number of talks, including  
a presentation from keynote speaker  
Fr Timothy Bartlett, Secretary General  
for the World Meeting of Families,  
public discussion from a number of  
families who will speak of their own  
personal experiences and the  
challenges of living as a Catholic family  
today, and a range of workshops and  
activities for children (*aged 5 years  
and over*) and young people attending.  
For further information, contact Knock  
Shrine on (094) 93 88100 or log on to  
[www.knockshrine.ie](http://www.knockshrine.ie)

**For more information**

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