

**Our Faithful Departed.....**

Michael (Mick) Conneff, Kilmurray,  
Teresa (Pearl), Bryson, An Crocán,  
Peter Gartside, Capdoo.

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

**Masses for the Week**

<u>Clane</u>		
Saturday 2nd Dec	6.30pm	Mary Watson ( Months Mind ) Tommy Ennis, Dara Cottuli, Catherine Connolly.
Sunday 3rd Dec	9.30am	Deceased members of the Hackett & O'Loughlin Families
	11.30am	Kevin Fogarty (1st Anniversary), Esther ( Essie) Corrigan, Malachy & Catherine Dempsey, deceased members of Wardell & Lipinski Families, John Gorman, Rita Breen, Christy Byrne (Birthday Rem).
Monday 4th Dec	10.00am	People of the Parish
Tuesday 5th Dec	10.00am	Rita Breen, Richard & Elizabeth McDonald & deceased members of the Jones and McDonald Families.
Wednesday 6th Dec	10.00am	Chris McCormack
Thursday 7th Dec	10.00am	Sick of the Parish
Friday 8th Dec	11.30am	Liam Flynn, Michael & Bridget English & deceased family Members.
	7.30 pm	Paddy Behan
Saturday 9th Dec	10.00am	Service of the Word and Holy Communion
	6.30pm	Joseph Horan, Elizabeth & Louis Maher.
Sunday 10th Dec	9.30am	Martin Sweeney
	11.30am	William Joyce, Elizabeth McManus, Pauline Veronica (Ronnie) Canning, Rosario Navaro Gallegos, Laurence Lee, his parents Maurice & Mary Lee & his brother Michael Lee, Seamus Morrissey, Peggy & Christopher Maguire, Fr. Joseph Travers, Billy Travers. Anne Callan & deceased family members

**Rathcoffey**

Sunday 3rd Dec	10.30am	Tom & Christina Moore, Mick & Seamus Kennedy
Sunday 10th Dec	10.30am	Seamus Noonan, Tom & Joan Dowd

	Saturday 9th 6.30pm	Sunday 10th 9.30am	Sunday 10th 11.30am	Sunday 10th 10.30am
	Clane	Clane	Clane	Rathcoffey
<b>Ministers of the Eucharist</b>	Marie Cribbin Maureen Cummins Mary Deay John Duffy Ciara Finn	Eleanor Cunney Orianna Hackett Maura Losty Katherine Martin Paddy Moore	Laura Duffy Sarah Jane Lavin Senan Maguire Joe Malone Maureen Marron	Dominic Burke Beibhinn Cleary
<b>Ministers of the Word</b>	Diarmuid Coonan Mary Dolan	Eddie Collins Patrick Cribbin	Margaret Maguire Maura McCormack	Fiona Burke
<b>Servers</b>	6	7	8	2
<b>Basket Collectors (Dec)</b>	Damian McCaffrey Joe Higgins Mick Gill	John Ryan Nick Fitzgerald Paddy Moore	Kathleen Browne P.J Sheridan Martin Monaghan	
<b>Service of the Word and Holy Communion Sat 9th</b>			Anna Connolly, Sheila Briody	

# Clane & Rathcoffey Parish Newsletter

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Rathcoffey Church, 1710 – 2017

First Sunday of Advent

3rd December 2017

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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**  
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**OPENING HOURS**

Monday to Friday 9.30am – 1.30pm  
Saturday 10.30am – 1pm

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**Advent 2017**

Loving God, source of my ultimate longing, you have reached out to your people through the gift of your incarnate Son. Today in a special way I start anew my spiritual journey toward the stable where I seek to encounter the babe of Bethlehem. Be with me, guide me, teach me, strengthen me and inspire me during this journey. Draw me into closer union with you as I put forth my best effort to prepare for the coming of Christ so that I may truly present him with a gift worth giving on Christmas day.

**PARISH LOTTO DRAW**  
**Tuesday 28th November, 2017**

**3, 4, 23, 26**

**No winner of this weeks Jackpot**

**3 x €50 prize winners**

Deco Coyne, Damien Clarke, Agnes Ashe

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

Trish O'Neill, Joan Raleigh

**€25 prize winner**

Noel Fogarty

**Next week's Jackpot:**

**€12,800**

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

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

World Meeting of Families

A World meeting of Families group is working with Fr. Paul in organising a number of events in the Parish in preparation for the meeting in Dublin in August 2018.

The Giving Tree

People are invited to take a tag from the Giving Tree in Clane Parish Church during Advent. The gifts can be returned to the Church or the Parish Office to be distributed by our local St. Vincent de Paul. Many Thanks.

Carol Service

Our annual Parish Carol Service will be on Sunday 10th December 2017 at 7pm in Clane Church.

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.

**Friday 8th December 2017**

**Feast of the Immaculate Conception of Mary.**

Parish Masses:

Rathcoffey	10.30am
Clane	11.30am
	7.30pm

Bishop Denis Nulty hopes to visit Clane and Rathcoffey to meet the Confirmation young people next February 2018, more details to follow.

There will be Carol singing in Supervalu, Clane on Friday 15th & Saturday 16th December at 3pm to raise money for Little Way Cancer Support Centre. Please support

Ministers for the Feast of the Immaculate Conception of Mary

**Ministers of the Word**

Rathcoffey 10.30am: Patricia Behan  
Clane 11.30am: Sheila Briody, Michael Clifford  
Clane 7.30pm Paula Carbury, Noleen Conboy

**Ministers of the Eucharist**

Rathcoffey 10.30am: Michael Behan Jnr,  
Catherine Burchéal  
Clane 11.30am: Cait Cullen, Rose Ennis,  
Anne Fadden, Assumpta Flynn, Charlie Flynn  
Clane 7.30pm: Tom Cleary, Diarmuid  
Coonan, James Coonan,  
Bernie Corbett,  
Cyril Creaven

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 9th Nov  
Mamie & Frances

**Clane Altar Society**

Ann Fadden,  
Fionnuala Conroy

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

Basket €1,343.80  
Envelopes € 658.22

**Clane Community Council would like to invite You and Your Family to the official switching on of our Christmas Lights in Clane and to the presentation of the Claonadh Award at the Abbey on Sunday 3rd December 2017 at 6.30pm. Carols will be sung and refreshments will be served. We look forward to seeing You and Your Family there and Children are welcome.**

Sacred Scripture Group

The Sacred Scripture group meet every Wednesday at 7.30pm in the Parish Centre (entrance at exit barrier). Perhaps you would like to join the group especially during this season of Advent. All welcome.

The Friends of St Brigid's Hospice and Home Care Team invite all those who have fundraised and supported them in the renovation of St Brigid's Hospice on the Curragh to a viewing of the new building on Saturday December 9th between 11am and 4pm.  
All are welcome.

Clane & Rathcoffey Parish Calendar is on sale now at €5 in local shops.

In our Church today you will find colourful bookmarks with information about Trócaire Romero Family Award. This award is for families that would like to begin their spiritual preparation for the World Meeting of Families in August 2018. It aims to provide you and your family with an avenue to learn about the lives of other families around the world where Trócaire works. You will learn about their daily lives, the issues that they face and share in their hopes and dreams for the future.

Pope Francis encourages us to welcome the stranger into our home and to view them as our "brothers and sisters", members of our own family. By undertaking the Romero award, you are doing this.

Please log on to [www.trocaire.org/romeroaward](http://www.trocaire.org/romeroaward) and register your family for the Trócaire Romero Family Award. You will receive your 'Family Journal' via post from Trócaire and will share breakfast in Ethiopia with the Abamos family, dinner in Kenya with the Ondari Family and supper in Syria with Jules and Camilla.

The award is centered around meal times in our family homes and affords parents, grandparents, children and all family members the opportunity to engage in a meaningful dialogue around social justice and the meaning of family spoken about in Amoris Laetitia.

**For more information**

**WWW.CLANEPARISH.COM**  
**WWW.RATHCOFFEYPARISH.COM**  
**WWW.KANDLE.IE (Diocesan website)**

**Thought for the Week**

**Advent—God is close, God is near, God is on the way**