

Our Faithful Departed.....Oonagh Phelan, Hillview Heights, Clane  
 Nancy Walsh, Rhode, Co Offaly & Rathcoffey  
 .....may she rest in peace, Amen.

**Masses for the Week**

**Clane**

Saturday 6th May	6.30pm	John & Lily Fitzsimons, Jack Healy, Bartle Smullen, Christy Kilduff, Doreen Fortune, Tom Nugent, Gerry Moore, Nancy & Kit Moore, Concepta Murray, Mary & Sean Travers, Jack, Agnes & Jim Halligan, Sheila & Dick Underwood, Anne, Andy & Sean Dunne, Frances Gill, Margaret & Richard Coffey, Eileen Healy (Birthday Remembrance), Ambrose Bracken, Jim McCarthy, Joseph & Bridget Maguire
Sunday 7th May	9.30am	People of the Parish
	11.30am	Edward Shortt, Paddy Walsh, Evelyn Ryan, Liam Horrigan (Birthday Remembrance)
Monday 8th May	7.30pm	Novena Mass: Guest Speaker John Weldon
Tuesday 9th May	10.00am	Patrick O'Beirne
Wed 10th May	10.00am	Marie & William Mahon
Thursday 11th May	10.00am	People of the Parish
Friday 12th May	10.00am	
Saturday 13th May	10.00am	Service of the Word and Holy Communion
	6.30pm	Michele Di Stefano (Birthday Remembrance), Lil McCormack, Mary Browne (Birthday Remembrance), Des Hoban, Mary Nugent (Birthday Remembrance) Pat Cribbin, Sean Cribbin (Birthday Remembrance), Bill, Josie, Rose & Joan Murray
Sunday 14th May	9.30am	People of the Parish
	11.30am	Kathleen Cribbin, Elizabeth (Marie) O'Brien

**Rathcoffey**

Sunday 7th May	10.30am	William Tyrell
Sunday 14th May	10.30am	Mick Reilly, John Ross

	Saturday 13th 6.30pm	Sunday 14th 9.30am	Sunday 14th 11.30am	Sunday 14th 10.30am
	Clane	Clane	Clane	Rathcoffey
<b>Ministers of the Eucharist</b>	Damian McCaffrey Cathal O'Brien Noirín O'Hagan Patricia O'Neill Peter O'Neill	Stephen Doyle Rose Ennis Anne Fadden Assumpta Flynn Charlie Flynn	Yvonne Darragh Laura Duffy Senan Maguire Joe Malone Maureen Marron	Esther Hendrick Siobhan McCrystal
<b>Ministers of the Word</b>	Clare Byrne	First Holy Communion	First Holy Communion	Anne Marie Mitchell
<b>Servers</b>	7	8	6	3
<b>Basket Collectors (May)</b>	John Duffy Joe Horan Michael Wallace	John Sullivan Darragh O'Brien Charlie Flynn	Sean O'Hara Philip Comerford Frank O'Keeffe	
<b>Service of the Word and Holy Communion Sat 13th</b>			Sheila Briody, Anna Connolly	

# Clane & Rathcoffey Parish Newsletter

**Clane Church, 1884 – 2017**

**Rathcoffey Church, 1710 – 2017**

**Fourth Sunday of Easter**

**7th May 2017**

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**Vocations Sunday**

**Our Diocese of  
 Kildare & Leighlin has  
 five students studying  
 for the priesthood.  
 One of them, David Vard,  
 will be ordained in  
 Newbridge on June 25th.**

**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

**Phone: 045-861393**

**Email: [claneparish@eircom.net](mailto:claneparish@eircom.net)**

**[www.claneparish.com](http://www.claneparish.com)**

**WebCam/Live Streaming**

**[www.claneparish.com](http://www.claneparish.com)**

**A Come and See  
 afternoon for those  
 interested in or curious  
 about priesthood in  
 Kildare & Leighlin will  
 take place in the  
 Cathedral Parish Centre  
 on Sunday 21st May, from  
 2.30pm—5pm.**

**For more information  
 log on to  
[www.kandlepriest.com](http://www.kandlepriest.com)**

## PARISH LOTTO DRAW

Tuesday 2nd May 2017

**9, 14, 26, 28**

**No winner of this weeks Jackpot**

**3 x €50 prize winners**

Una Duffy, Elizabeth Stack,  
Angela Donnory

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

Mary Kelly, Brid Cuddihy

**€25 prize winner**

Aoife Fennessy

**Next week's Jackpot:**

**€ 6,800**

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

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

**A warm welcome to our First  
Communion children and their  
families to this special time in  
their lives!  
Enjoy the day!**

### Home 2 Home

We ask your support for the Home 2  
Home run/walk, remembering the late  
Kevin Fogarty, Aleaxandra Walk and  
Templetuohy, Co Tipperary on Saturday  
June 3rd a run/walk between Kevin's  
home town and his adopted home of  
Clane. More details on  
[www.home2home](http://www.home2home)

**Parish Novena  
Night 2: Monday 8th May  
Speaker: John Weldon  
A warm welcome to all.  
Mass at 7.30**

### **Thought for the Week**

We need to pray with our eyes on God, not on our difficulties.

### 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.

**Would you like to be a Minister of Holy  
Communion in the Parish? Are you already a Minis-  
ter of Holy Communion who would like  
a refresher course?**

A three night diocesan training course for  
ministers, led by Kildare and Leighlin Faith  
Development Services, will take place in Scoil Chóca  
Naofa, Mill Lane, Kilcock on Tuesday, May 16, 23 & 30  
from 8.00-10:00 p.m. **Booking is essential.** If you  
would like to explore this ministry for the first time or  
if would like to renew your training please contact  
Trish O'Neill in the Parish Office.

### Blessed John Sullivan SJ

**We extend our best wishes to our Jesuit friends at  
Clongowes Wood on the Beatification of Fr John  
Sullivan SJ next Saturday in Gardiner Street Church  
in Dublin. Fr John lived in our parish for many years  
before his death in February 1933. He was a fami-  
liar figure on the roads of this parish and beyond.  
We turn to him now in our hour of need and ask his  
intercession before the Father.**

### Fr John's Prayer

**Take life in instalments, this day now. At least let  
this be a good day. Be always beginning, let the  
past go. Now let me do whatever I have the power  
to do. The saints were always beginning, that is how  
they became saints.**

### Gianna Care

Gianna Care is a confidential, life  
affirming organisation which helps and  
supports women in unexpected pregnancies and  
those suffering after abortion, completely free of  
charge. The centre provides counselling,  
ultrasound scanning, baby equipment and many  
other services. These services are provided by  
volunteers. They are looking for new volunteers  
to help them to continue to reach out to women.

They need help with general office work,  
cleaning, organising baby clothes/equipment,  
and directly helping women in crisis situations..  
No previous experience– full training provided.

Contact Carolyn 086 029 3727 or email  
[info@giannacare.ie](mailto:info@giannacare.ie) For further information visit  
[www.giannacare.ie](http://www.giannacare.ie)

**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)

**The family of Christopher and  
Esther Ewulonu of Alexandra Walk invite  
you to join them for the launch of Esther's  
book, "Building Family of Greatness" at  
Heritage Confectionaries, Unit 61, Hills  
Industrial Estate, Lower Road, Lucan on  
20th May 2017 at 2pm.**

### Cloister Experience

Come and See  
Poor Clare Monastery Carlow  
Saturday 27th May  
11am—5pm  
Visit the website  
[www.poorclarescarlow.ie](http://www.poorclarescarlow.ie)  
If interested, see "contact us" on the  
website or facebook page

### Donadea & District Text Alert

Annual General Meeting Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> May at  
8pm In Staplestown Hall  
ALL WELCOME  
To Join or Renew Membership please come  
along to AGM or pay €5 in Staplestown Post  
Office before 31<sup>st</sup> May 2017

St Oliver's Pilgrim Walk is organised by the Knights  
of St Columbanus and involves a pilgrim walk  
around Drogheda's 7 beautiful churches ( 3.2Km) .  
It takes place this year on Friday May 26th and  
Saturday May 27th starting at Our Lady of Lourdes  
Church via, St Peter's Church of Ireland, Augustinian  
Church, St Mary's, Holy Family Church, St Mary  
Magdalene's Dominican Church and finishing at St  
Peter's Church where the Shrine of St Oliver  
Plunkett and his holy relics are located.  
Pilgrims can complete the walk on either day  
between 10.30 am and 4.30 pm or can be  
completed over the two days. Enjoy a walk around  
the historic town of Drogheda with the Boyne  
Valley and the many Christian Heritage sites of the  
Boyne Valley located nearby.  
For full details see [www.stoliverswalk.com](http://www.stoliverswalk.com)

**Be careful with your words—  
once they are said, they can only  
be forgiven, not forgotten!**

### **Clane Parish Shop**

Saturday 13th May

Maura McCormack

### **Clane Altar Society**

Maureen McCormack,  
Mary Cleary, Peggy Carew

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

Basket € 1288.94  
Envelopes € 855.65

**Treat everyone with politeness,  
even those who are rude to you;  
not because they are nice,  
but because you are!**

**Irish Wheelchair Association will be holding  
their church gate collection on Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> &  
Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> May 2017. Your support would be  
gratefully appreciated.**

### **Alzheimer Cafe Leixlip - Wednesday May 10th 7-9pm**

in "The Conservatory", Ryevale Nursing Home,  
Leixlip from 7-9pm.

Mary Byrne, a Speech and Language  
Therapist, will provide information and advice  
on how to manage communication difficulties  
that can arise as a result of living with  
dementia. Attendance is free of charge and  
there is plenty of parking available  
([www.alzheimercafeleixlip.ie](http://www.alzheimercafeleixlip.ie) -  
phone 089 4933533).

**Rehearsal for any Choir members going on  
the Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes on Sun-  
day, 7<sup>th</sup> May, in Ballycane Church at 3pm.**  
Please bring with you an *In Caelo* and a copy  
of the *Mass for St Patrick*

If you would like to sing with the choir in  
Lourdes, please contact Christine at  
[fds@kandle.ie](mailto:fds@kandle.ie) or 059-9164084 to register.

The Clane & Rathcoffey Community  
Games will be held on Monday 15th May  
in Scoil Mhuire starting at 7.00pm  
Entry forms have been given out in the  
schools. You can follow us on facebook  
at [https://www.facebook.com/](https://www.facebook.com/ClaneRathcoffeyCommunityGames/)  
[ClaneRathcoffeyCommunityGames/](https://www.facebook.com/ClaneRathcoffeyCommunityGames/)

### **For more information**

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