

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

**Jack Duffy, New York, brother of Lil Baker, Blackhall**

.....may he rest in peace, Amen.

**Masses for the Week**

<b>Clane</b>			
Saturday 9th Mar	6.30pm	Pat Maleady, Aideen McMenamon, Patrick Quigley, Patrick & Rose Ann Flood, Elizabeth Lynham, Sean Delaney, Jack, Rose & Sean Delaney, Pat Hogan & Deceased Family Members Charles and Eileen Corrigan	
Sunday 10th Mar	9.30am	Peter Kelly, Liam Flynn, Eileen Hassett, William & Ellen Ashe & Family	
	11.30am	Claude Gardette	
Monday 11th Mar	10.00am		
Tuesday 12th Mar	10.00am	Bryan Sammon, Tom & Ellen Sammon, Vera Kenny (Birthday Remembrance)	
Wed 13th Mar	10.00am		
Thursday 14th Mar	10.00am		
Friday 15th Mar	10.00am		
Saturday 16th Mar	10.00am	Service of the Word and Holy Communion	
	6.30pm	Mary Jo McCormack, Paddy Mallen, Kieran Mallen, Mary Losty, Eileen Healy, Florrie Roche, Patrick & Elizabeth Gorman	
Sunday 17th Mar	9.30am		
	11.30am	Frank Marron, Paddy Larkin	

**Rathcoffey**

Sunday 10th Mar	10.30am	James Doherty, Celine Doherty, Tom Reilly, Jack & Jenny Kinsella
Sunday 17th Mar	10.30am	Brendan & Betty Weld

	Saturday 16th 6.30pm	Sunday 17th 9.30am	Sunday 17th 11.30am	Sunday 17th 10.30am
	Clane	Clane	Clane	Rathcoffey
<b>Ministers of the Eucharist</b>	John Duffy Ciara Finn Moira Fogarty Sara Gorman Roisin Gorman	James Plunkett Bernadette Ryan John Ryan Sheila Briody Michael Clifford	Kathleen Browne Anna Connolly Alice Corbett Yvonne Darragh Frank Kavanagh	Michael Behan Jnr Catherine Burchéal
<b>Ministers of the Word</b>	Anne Lynch Brian O'Brien	Pat Cribbin Eleanor Cunney	Brid Murphy Colette O'Byrne	Brendan Weld
<b>Servers</b>	4	5	6	2
<b>Basket Collectors (March)</b>	John Duffy Joe Horan Michael Wallace	John Sullivan Darragh O'Brien Charlie Flynn	Sean O'Hara Philip Comerford	
<b>Service of the Word and Holy Communion Sat 16th</b>			Damian McCaffrey, Sheila Briody	

# Clane & Rathcoffey Parish Newsletter

**Clane Church, 1884 – 2019**

**Rathcoffey Church, 1710 – 2019**

**First Sunday of Lent**

**10th March 2019**

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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  
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OPENING HOURS**

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

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**The Three Pillars of Lent:  
Prayer  
Fasting  
Almsgiving  
Lent is what we do;  
a “Spring time” in life**

**One of the clearest and most holistic words for justice in the Bible is the Hebrew word *Shalom* which means both justice and peace. *Shalom* includes wholeness, or everything that makes for people's wellbeing, and in particular, the restoration of relationships that have been broken. Justice, therefore, is about repairing broken relationships both with other people and with structures in our society and in the world.**

**This presents a challenge for all of us in defending the dignity of each and every human being, promoting community and the common good and putting the needs of the poor and the vulnerable first.**

**That's the theme of our prayer and reflection today. What can we do to bring about justice and to help restore relationships in our world today?  
*Shalom!***

## PARISH LOTTO DRAW

Tuesday 5th March 2019

9, 14, 20, 25

No winner of this week's Jackpot

**3 x €50 prize winners**

Ann Gilligan, Mary Farrell,  
PC Coleman

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

Rose Langan, Kathleen Browne

**€25 prize winner**

Sean Fanning

Next week's Jackpot:

**€ 9,800**

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

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

A welcome to our Confirmation young  
people who are preparing our Masses this  
weekend around the theme of justice.

Our Confirmation Retreats take place this coming  
Tuesday and Wednesday to Glendalough,  
Co Wicklow. Special times!

### A Glossary of Terms

**Church**- those called together or gathered by God

**Eucharist** – Derived from the Greek word 'to give thanks'. It can refer to the consecrated Bread and Wine, as well as the whole of the Mass

**Order of Mass** – The texts and sequence of the Mass that does not change from week to week

**The Roman Missal** – The ritual book that contains all the prayers and rubrics (instructions) to be observed in the celebration of Mass in any situation.

**Assembly** – another name for the congregation. It highlights that God calls us together as one body of people

**Presider** – the priest celebrant who leads the celebration of Mass

### 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.

Please take a Trocaire Box home.  
Lent is what we do.

### Holy Land 2019

The Parish Pilgrimage to the Holy Land from October 26th to November 2nd is now fully booked out with all fifty places filled.

### SUNDAY AS THE HIGHPOINT OF OUR WEEK

From the very beginning, the early Christian communities realised the importance of Sunday. It is the day of Jesus' Resurrection, a day of joy and rest, as well as charity. Sunday is the Lord's Day, the day when we are called to remember what God has done and continues to do for us. This, then, is the day the Lord's people are called to keep holy, together. The observance begins with the evening of the preceding day.

### SUNDAY - EUCHARIST – COMMUNITY

Early Christians did what Jesus had asked them to do; they gathered and celebrated the meal Jesus had shared with them, the Eucharist. We also know this as the Mass. This gathering of the community on a Sunday to celebrate the Eucharist gave rise to a basic principle of the Church: There can be no Sunday without the Eucharist and no Eucharist without an assembly of the faithful. This principle endures to this day. It led Voltaire to declare, "If you want to kill Christianity, you must abolish Sunday." As members of the Christian community, we are each called to gather with the rest of our faith community on a Sunday to celebrate the Eucharist. The Sunday Mass is the place where we gather as a parish, as a community, as the People of God. This is at the heart of the life of the Church. It is the highpoint of our Christian life, where God nourishes us to go out and live as Christians.

### Thought for the Week

When I was hungry, you gave me food and when I was thirsty you refreshed me;  
I was lonely and you gave me your time, homeless and you tried to put a roof over  
my head; I was the victim of violence and greed and you fought for my rights.  
I was a refugee and you took me in.

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 Lenten Prayer Hour begins on  
Wednesday 13th of March at 7.30pm in  
the Parish Centre**

Spending time with Jesus in the wilderness during Lent invites us to face our daily temptations and recognise where we need healing in our lives. After the celebration of the Mass at 7pm each Friday evening during Lent in the Holy Trinity Church, Allen, there will be adoration of Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament, during which Fr. Brian Kavanagh will lead special prayers for healing in body and mind, in heart and spirit, and in our relationships. There will also be an opportunity to be prayed with individually for personal healing. You are most welcome to invite family and friends.  
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A very happy fifth birthday to the Hedgehog Club, Clane. We wish the leaders and all the children many more years of fun and happiness.

**Clane Evergreens**  
Thanks to everyone who helped out and supported our pancake morning on Tuesday 5th March. It is very much appreciated!

Rebekah Byrne will be volunteering in Kolkata, India this summer for two months as a teaching assistant with the Irish, non-profit charity SUAS. This involves working with very at risk children from extremely marginalized communities. She has permission to hold a Church Gate Collection at Masses on the 16th and 17th of March, to raise funds for this project. Please support!

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**Clane Parish Shop**  
Saturday 16th March  
Darragh O'Brien  
**Clane Altar Society**  
Breda Connolly, Eileen  
Duffy, Mamie & Frances

Many thanks to those  
who contributed,  
and those who  
collected and counted  
Basket € 3,515.10  
Envelopes € 1,351.05

The sum of €1,600 has been forwarded to the Kiltegan Fathers after last weekend's Masses. Thank you for your generosity.

Clane Local History Group will present a talk on the life of Dame Ninette de Valois, founder of the Royal Ballet, who was born in Blessington, Co. Wicklow in 1898. The talk will take place in Clane GAA Club, on Wednesday 13th March at 8pm. The speaker is Paul Tyrrell who is a member of the Blessington History Society. Admission is free and all are welcome.

**Alzheimer Cafe Leixlip -  
Wednesday March 13th 7-9pm**  
Wednesday March 13th in  
"The Conservatory", Ryevale Nursing Home, Leixlip from 7-9pm.  
This month the speaker is from the Citizen's Advice Bureau.  
([www.alzheimercafeleixlip.ie](http://www.alzheimercafeleixlip.ie) -  
phone 087 7418512).

**CALLING ALL RUNNING FANS!!**  
Register now to secure your place in the **Coimin Greenway 5k on Sunday the 16th of June 2019.** The chip timed 5k race trail begins at The Avon Blessington and runs along the Greenway. Please see the Blessington AFC facebook page for more details and to register online.

For more information  
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