Our Faithful Departed.....

Austin Daly, Prosperous Road

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

Masses for the Week

<u>Clane</u>	
Saturday 25th Dec 9.30am	Sarah & John Fortune, Sean, Christie & Willie O'Shea, Margaret & Michael Noone, Helen & Luke O'She
	Francie & Carrie Cribbin
11.30am	Brian Manzor, George Manzor, Joe Duffy & his parents, Mary & Paddy Carroll, Brian Sammon,
	John, Katie & Martin Cullen, Daniel & Eileen O'Brien, Jan Cukowiak, Deren & Wisniowski Family,
	Brendan, Gavin & Tom Redmond, Dan & Phil O'Connell, Cora Redmond, Tomas Cribben, Sean Nolan,
	Margaret Murphy

Sunday 26th Dec 9.30am

11.30am

Bill & Agnes Gavin, Joe, Mary & Jo McCormack, Joe, Mona & John Noonan, Florrie & Billy Roche, Kathleen & Jim Drumm, Christine & Jim Fay, Bernard & Mrs Emma Fagan, Paddy & Catherine Byrne, Tom Byrne, Agatha Byrne, Frank & Mary Lennon, Ciaran Brennan, Brendan McCormack,

Burke & Early Families

Monday 27th Dec 10.00am

Tuesday 28th Dec 10.00am Jim Byrne, William & Margaret King, Tom & Rose Kilcoyne,

10.00am George Delahunt, Margaret Evers, Kevin & Ricky Fogarty and their families, Mary Neenan, Orla Meagher Wed 29th Dec

Thu 30th Dec 10.00am Sick of the Parish

Friday 31st Dec 10.00am

Saturday 1st Jan 6.30pm Sunday 2nd Jan 9.30am

Tom O'Brien, Thomas Losty, Nicholas Kelly Adele O'Rafferty (Birth rem), Eugene Ryan

11.30am

Wed 5th Jan 10.00am People of the Parish Thu 6th Jan

11.30am Kate Brophy

7.30pm Olive Connally

Saturday 8th Jan 6.30pm Tom Moran, Inez Connolly (month's mind), Nora & Joe McConnell, Helen Kavanagh,

Jack, Alice & Catherine Ryan, Patrick Browne (Birth rem)

Rathcoffey

25th Dec 10.30am Terry Brilly (1st anniv) Sunday 26th Dec 10.30am Joan & Tom Dowd Sunday 2nd Jan 10.30am Ella Dalton

Sunday 9th Jan 10.30am John & Nora Moran, their sons Tom & Pat Moran, and their daughter Noreen

	Saturday 1st 6.30pm	Sunday 2nd 9.30am	Sunday 2nd 11.30am	Sunday 2nd 10.30am
	Clane	Clane	Clane	Rathcoffey
Ministers of the Eucharist	Anne Behan Elizabeth Behan Padraig Carbury Tom Cleary	Matthew Cribbin Cait Cullen Oriana Hackett Margaret McDonald	Margaret Maguire Joe Malone Colette O'Byrne Sean O'Hara	Brendan Travers Jetta Weld
Ministers of the Word	Brian O'Brien Patricia O'Neill	Des Drumm Michael Clifford	Breda O'Neill Sadie O'Reilly	Niall Fagan
Basket Collectors (January)	John Duffy Joe Horan Michael Wallace	John Sullivan Darragh O'Brien	Sean O'Hara Philip Comerford	
	Saturday 8th 6.30pm	Sunday 9th 9.30am	Sunday 9th 11.30am	Sunday 9th 10.30am
	Clane	Clane	Clane	Rathcoffey
Ministers of the Eucharist	Eleanor Cunney Mary Deay Sara Gorman Laura Hamilton	Hilary McDonnell Shirley O'Keeffe Mary O'Neill James Plunkett	Gemma Mallon Kathleen Browne Anna Connolly Alice Corbett	Jenny Behan Michael Behan
Ministers of the Word	Faye Miller John Farrelly	Betty Duffy Colm Earley	Bernadette Plunkett Noel De La Pena	Marie Meehan

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Weekend Mass Times

Clane

Saturday 6.30pm 9.30am Sunday 11.30am

Rathcoffev

10.30am Sunday

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Monday to Friday 10.30am – 12.30pm

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My worth as a person is not determined by what I have. My material possessions, my academic attainments, my successes, my income and my bank balance do not define my worth as an individual and unique human person. My worth is not determined by what's outside myself. The bad spirit, the enemy of my human nature, would have me believe otherwise. I'm infinitely richer than that. It's so easy to get caught up in what we think we need and desire, but in the cold light of day we see the illusions for what they are. Solidarity with one another, rather than competition with one another, is God's idea of what life is about.

/Jim Maher SJ/

Every Good Wish and God's Blessing **This Christmas** and During 2022!



PARISH LOTTO DRAW

Christmas Bonanza Lotto Draw Tuesday 21st December 2021 1, 3, 19, 29

No winner of this week's Jackpot 1 x €200 prize winners

Eileen O'Brien

2 x €150 prize winners

Olivia Langan, Sheila Smith

5 x €100 prize winners

Liz Kennelly, J&S Mooney, Rose Langan Mick McGuirk, Joe Campbell,

3 x €50 prize winners

Cathal Carr, Devine Family, Laura Browne

Promoters Draw – 2 x €50 prize winners

Linda Burke, Darragh O'Brien

Next Jackpot on 4th January 2022:

€ 12,000

Weekly Lotto tickets are available from your local Promoter or the Parish Shop. Minimum €250 worth of prizes every week.

Parish online donations can be made via our website at www.claneparish.com or direct to Parish a/c:

IBAN IE65AIBK 93323602444022 Clergy Fund a/c: IE79AIBK93323670508088

Suaimhneas /Peace/

Would you like to experience more peace in your life in 2022? Have your ever wondered whether the stillness and silence of contemplative practices like mindfulness, meditation or centering prayer might help? Suaimhneas, which has a home in the Parish Centre in Clane, invites you to a 'Morning of Peace' on Sat 22nd January 10am to 1pm where you can hear more about what we do, learn about contemplative practices, find some peace while practicing in the company of others. Booking is required and we invite a donation of €5. Registration & more information:

John Farrelly 087-2466 892, johnpfarrelly@gmail.com

Prayer to Saint Joseph

O Saint Joseph, you are a man greatly favoured by the Most High. The angel of the Lord appeared to you in dreams, while you slept, to warn you and guide you as you cared for the Holy Family. You were both silent and strong, a loyal an courageous protector: Dear Saint Joseph, as you rest in the Lord, confident of His absolute power and goodness, look upon me. Please take my need...into your heart, dream of it, and present it to your Son. Help me then, good Saint Joseph, to hear the voice of God, to arise, and act with love. I praise and thank God with joy. Saint Joseph, I love you. Amen.

6th January 2022

Feast of the Epiphany of the Lord Masses in Clane Church at 11.30am and 7.30pm.

Prayer for Christmas Day

God Our Father, we praise you on this Christmas Day and we thank you for the food on our table and for the companionship we share.

This Christmas we remember all who are in any kind of need and all those who are affected by Covid19, especially those who are grieving for a loved one.

Bless all who work at the front lines or in quiet local unseen ways, heroically attentive to the needs of loved ones and neighbours.

This Christmas Day, may we experience your abiding presence in our hearts, in our homes and in our world. Today and in the days ahead, help us to be beacons of hope and kindness to those we know and to those we meet. Amen.

A Gift for the Child of Christmas

And the shepherds came. And it doesn't say they brought anything - No lamb, no hay, no food, no gift for the child. Yet they were honoured guests. For we need to bring nothing to God, except the gift all can bring: We bring ourselves, our love.

And even though love has its flaws and is not perfect, yet it is the choicest gift of all.

In it God recognises us at our best, and he recognises the likeness of his Son.

Thought for the week
Key Christian values: Simplicity, Authenticity, Depth and Moderation.

Items for the Parish Newsletter must be in to the Parish Office by 12 noon on Wednesday

Email claneparish@eircom.net

Clane Altar Society

Catherine Burcheal Brid Harney Liz Cahalane Many thanks to those who contributed, and those who collected and counted

Basket € 1,754.82 Envelopes € 1,957.45

Present for Christmas

Here I am again wondering what present to buy for Christmas and forgetting that the best present I can give is just to be present.

Present to the family who grew with me, to the friends whose joy bubbles my life, To the sick whose pain heavies my heart, To the lonely who long for a visit or a word or a gesture. Present also, if only in prayer, to those I just don't like; to those who annoy me; to those I've quarrelled with during the year.

Present from the busyness of life with the gentleness of the Child To as many as I can this Christmas time; Present by prayer, visit, text, card, email;

Present to Jesus the Child who is present to me always.

What you are is God's gift to you; What you become is your gift to God.

6th January 2022 - The Epiphany of the Lord

Ministers of the Word - Clane

11.30am: Brid Murphy, Rose Sullivan7.30pm: Nicholas Fitzgerald, Cyrena Hayes

Ministers of the Eucharist - Clane

11.30: Sean O'Riordan, Rose Sullivan,Anna Wolfe, Tony McKenna7.30pm: Diarmuid Coonan, Bernie Corbett,Cyril Creaven, Marie Cribbin

Minister of the Word - Rathcoffey

10:30 Declan Forde

Ministers of the Eucharist - Rathcoffey

10:30 Ray Barry, Aisling Behan

A Prayer for our Earth

All powerful God, you are present in the universe and in the smallest of your creatures.

You embrace with your tenderness all that exists. Pour out upon us the power of your love, that we may protect life and beauty. Fill us with your peace, that we may live as brothers and sisters, harming no one.

O God of the poor, help us to rescue the abandoned and forgotten of this earth, so precious in your eyes. Bring healing to our lives, that we may protect the world and not prey on it, that we may sow beauty, not pollution and destruction. Touch the hearts of those who look only for gain at the expense of the poor and the earth. Teach us to discover the worth of each thing, to be filled with awe and contemplation, to recognize that we are profoundly united with every creature as we journey towards your infinite light.

We thank you for being with us each day.

Encourage us, we pray, in our struggle, for justice,
love and peace. /Laudato Si'/

Thank you to all those who donated 735 Christmas Shoe Boxes going to Eswatini formerly Swaziland in Southern Africa and to the 300 Giving Tree gifts going to the Peter McVerry Trust.

Many thanks to all for your kindness and generosity this Christmas!

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