

# Clane & Rathcoffey Parish Newsletter

## Masses for the Week

### Clane

Saturday 13th May	6.30pm	Tommy Casey, Martin Brennan, Josie Brennan, Dermot Brennan, Kevin Brennan, James Cash, Pat Cribben, Mona Noonan, Joe Noonan
Sunday 14th May	9.30am	Joe O'Connor (Months Mind)
	11.30am	Harold Poole
Monday 15th May	10.00am	Service of the Word and Holy Communion
Tuesday 16th May	10.00am	Anne Mangan
Wed 17th May	10.00am	Morning Prayer
Thu 18th May	10.00am	Mary Ivers and Deceased Family Members
Friday 19th May	10.00am	Louise Fall (Birth Rem)
Saturday 20th May	6.30pm	Mona Connaughton (1st anniv), Adrian McManmon, Mary O'Loughlin, Sheila & Dick Hunderwood, Anne, Andrew & Mick Dunne, Mary Nugent, Willie, Sean & Christy O'Shea, Gerard McCaffrey, Maura Crotty, Bill, Josie, Dermot, Rose & Joan Murray, Peggy Carew, Birtie Mallon, John Curran (Birth Rem), James, Mary & Betty O'Toole, Unnie Hylle, Eileen Burke (Birth Rem), David O'Neill, Ann McCabe, Margaret & Richard Coffey
Sunday 21st May	9.30am	Tim Kennedy
	11.30am	Keith Corrigan, Des Hoban

### Rathcoffey

Sunday 14th May	10.30am	
Sunday 21st May	10.30am	Tim Kennedy

	Sat 20th 6.30 pm	Sunday 21st 9.30am	Sunday 21st 11.30am	Sunday 21st 10.30am
	Clane	Clane	Clane	Rathcoffey
<b>Ministers of the Eucharist</b>	Peter O'Neill Aine White Anne Behan Elizabeth Behan	Oriana Hackett Katherine Martin Margaret McDonald Hilary McDonnell	Kathleen Browne Laura Hamilton Alice Corbett Yvonne Darragh	Aisling Behan Jenny Behan
<b>Ministers of the Word</b>	Cyrena Hayes Christy Kirwan	Kate O'Donoghue John Power	Margaret Maguire Padraig McEvoy	Lucy Travers
<b>Basket Collectors (May)</b>	John Duffy Joe Horan	John Sullivan	Sean O'Hara Philip Comerford	

Clane Church, 1884 – 2023

Rathcoffey Church, 1710 – 2023

6th Sunday of Easter  
Parish Charity Number 20015848

14th May 2023  
Book, Page 148  
Love while You can, walk while You can, Love not judgement

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### Pray As You Can

The first rule of prayer is “pray as you can, and not as you can't.” It's a liberating rule that can save us from much futile straining. But it does not mean that we should confine ourselves to the small prayer repertoire we are used to and not try to broaden our capacities.

The liturgy, the public prayer of the Church, rescues us from the limitness of our own language and imagination by gathering us into larger and more various ideas and experiences.

The Church has made her own the hundred and fifty psalms in the Bible, prayers composed and used by generations of people seeking God's face. There are psalms for all seasons and situations - praise, thanksgiving, complaint, desolation, lament, even some for giving out to God!

### 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  
Main Street Clane  
OPENING HOURS

Monday to Friday 10.30am – 12.30pm

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)

and on churchservices TV

[www.facebook.com/ClaneParishPage/](http://www.facebook.com/ClaneParishPage/)

## PARISH LOTTO DRAW

Sponsored by  
Sherry FitzGerald Reilly, Clane  
Tuesday 9th May 2023

**7, 8, 22, 23**

No Winner of Jackpot

3 x €50 Winners

Eva Krumesz, Cathy Timmons,  
Moira Daly

Promoters Draw

2 x €50 prize winners

Lourdes Fund, Lourdes Fund

Next week's Jackpot:

**€ 4,000**

Weekly Lotto tickets are  
available from your local Promoter,  
or the Parish Shop or Online at  
[www.claneparish.com/play-lotto/](http://www.claneparish.com/play-lotto/)

Minimum €250 worth  
of prizes every week.



Parish online donations can be made via  
our website at [www.claneparish.com](http://www.claneparish.com) or

direct to

Parish a/c:

IBAN IE65AIBK 93323602444022

Clergy Fund a/c:

IE79AIBK93323670508088

### Morning Prayer

A Welcome to Morning Prayer  
each Wednesday at 10am  
in Clane Parish Church.

### Rememberance Mass

Fr. Paul will celebrate The  
**Annual Rememberance Mass in**  
Scoil Mhuire Clane  
this **Wednesday May 17<sup>th</sup>**  
at 7.30pm. All Are Welcome!

The **Annual Collection for the Retired**  
**Priests** of the Diocese takes place at  
all Masses on **May 27<sup>th</sup> & 28<sup>th</sup>**.  
Thanks for your continual support!

### First Communion Days

A warm **Welcome to our First Communion**  
**Girls** from Scoil Bhríde and their Families this  
weekend. Special Faith and Family times.

### Kildare U' 20'S

**Best Wishes** to Clane's **Harry O'Neill,**  
**Adam Fanning & Oisín O'Sullivan** in this  
weekend's All Ireland U 20 Final V Sligo.

### Parish Mass Cards

The offerings which people make for Mass Cards in  
our Parish Shop are sent by Fr. Paul to the following  
Parish supported Groups:

1. The Columban Missionaries in Fiji c/o  
Fr. Pat Colgan.
2. Bethlehem Cane & Hospice Trust c/o Fr. Rami,  
Church of the Nativity Bethlehem
3. The oblate fathers in South African c/o  
Fr. Mike Bracken
4. The society of African missions in Lodwar, Kenya  
c/o Bishop Padraig Harrington.

**We thank people for their continual support!**

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 Altar Society**  
Maureen McCormack  
Mary Cleary

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

Basket € 2,395.89  
Envelopes € 1,807.00

### All Ireland Rosary Rally in Knock

The All Ireland Rosary Rally will take place  
on **Saturday June 3<sup>rd</sup>** from 1pm in Knock.  
It will include Holy Mass, the Rosary, the  
Stations of the Cross and a talk by Bishop  
Oliver Doeme. The Main Celebrant for the  
Holy Mass is Archbishop Eamon Martin.  
A bus will leave from Kildare. Please book  
your seat early to avoid disappointment.  
Ring Niamh: 086 175-8458

### Alzheimers Tea Day

A Big "Thank You" to All  
who supported the Tea Day last week.  
We raised € 860 - a great amount.

**Padre Pio's Glove** will be in Fitzpatrick's  
house, Kilberry, Athy, Co. Kildare  
on **Saturday the 3<sup>rd</sup> June**, 11am - 5pm.  
More information: Anne 085-169 6189.  
All Welcome!

### Prayer of Dedication to the Holy Trinity

Jesus, Mary and Joseph, with complete  
confidence we entrust our family to you.  
Make our home a place of prayer and peace, a  
place of love and kindness just like your home  
at Nazareth. Watch over each of us and protect  
us from every danger. Keep us always close to  
you and to each other. Amen.

**Parish Safeguarding Representatives**  
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### Abortion: Changing the Narrative – a Statement of the Catholic Bishops

Five years on from the May 2018 referendum  
which removed the constitutional guarantee of  
the equal right to life of unborn children and  
their mothers, the Bishops of Ireland have  
issued a statement which also takes into  
account the recent review by Government of  
the abortion legislation introduced following  
the referendum. At that time the bishops said,  
"a new situation now exists in Ireland. It is  
essential for us as a Church, which cares  
passionately about the gift of life, and wants to  
support both mothers and their unborn  
children, to seek better ways of responding to  
this new and very challenging reality". Today,  
bishops reaffirm the deep conviction of our  
faith, namely, that the dignity of every human  
life, from conception to natural death, is a value  
for the whole of society, rooted in reason as  
well as in faith. No matter what legislation is  
passed, the fundamental right to life for all  
human beings at every stage of development  
still prevails. The bishops remain convinced  
that the relevant law, the Health (Regulation of  
Termination of Pregnancy) Act 2018 will, in due  
course, be repealed. In the meantime, the  
Church will continue to seek loving and  
supportive protection for every mother and for  
every child in the womb, including babies  
diagnosed with a disability or a life-limiting  
condition. The bishops will continue to do their  
best to change the narrative through dialogue  
and by testifying, in season and out of season,  
to the Gospel of Life. How can People of Faith  
help? Read the full statement  
(which is available in the church  
and also on [www.catholicbishops.ie](http://www.catholicbishops.ie)).

For more information  
[WWW.CLANEPARISH.COM](http://WWW.CLANEPARISH.COM)  
[WWW.RATHCOFFEYPARISH.COM](http://WWW.RATHCOFFEYPARISH.COM)  
[WWW.KANDLE.IE](http://WWW.KANDLE.IE) (Diocesan website)

### Thought for the Week

Lord, help me to do nothing in this time of prayer but be ready to receive what you offer.