# **Masses for the Week**

### Clane

Saturday 19th Aug 6.30pm P.J. Foster (Months Mind), Tom McCreevy (1st anniv), Eileen Kilduff, Eoin Dunleavy, Michael Nugent (Birth Rem), Mary Nugent, Mick & Anne Doherty, Annette Hansford, Kathleen O'Connor, Thomas Slevin, Philip Colgan Sunday 20th Aug 9.30am People Of The Parish 11.30am Helen Farrell, John Joe Cummins, Joe Kennedy Sullivan and **Deceased Family Members** Monday 21st Aug 10.00am Service of the Word and Holy Communion Tuesday 22nd Aug 10.00am Celine Augustine, Ruth Hilpert Faehndrich Wed 23rd Aug 10.00am Morning Prayer Thu 24th Aug 10.00am Sick Of The Parish Hilda & Richard Neville Friday 25th Aug 10.00am Saturday 26th Aug 6.30pm Noel Hynes (Months Mind), Michael & Teresa Sherman, Mary Losty (Birth Rem), Tadhg Mac Giolla Ríogh Sunday 27th Aug 9.30am People Of The Parish 11.30am

#### Rathcoffey

Sunday 20th Aug 10.30am Bernadette Tisserand (née Tyrrell) and Deceased Family Members
Sunday 27th Aug 10.30am Sharron Brilly (Months Mind), Pauline Cuddihy

	Sat 26th 6.30 pm	Sunday 27th 9.30am	Sunday 27th 11.30am	Sunday 27th 10.30am
	Clane	Clane	Clane	Rathcoffey
Ministers of the Eucharist	Peter O'Neill Aine White Anne Behan Elizabeth Behan	Shirley O'Keefe Mary O'Neill James Plunkett Gillian Breen	Colette O'Byrne Sean O'Hara Sean O'Riordan Rose Sullivan	Michael Behan Alvagh Cronin
Ministers of the Word	Cyrena Hayes Christy Kirwan	Des Drumm Betty Duffy	Stephanie Muldoon Jemma Ryan	Anne Egan
Basket Collectors (August)	Joe Higgins	John Ryan Nick Fitzgerald	Kathleen Browne P. J. Sheridan	

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Love while You can, walk while You can, Love not judgement

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# Weekend Mass Times

## Clane

Saturday 6.30pm Sunday 9.30am 11.30am

Rathcoffey

Sunday 10.30am

Parish Shop and Office The Parish Centre Main Street Clane OPENING HOURS

Monday to Friday 10.30am – 12.30pm **Phone: 045-861393** 

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# **A Strong Woman**

Following an altercation with the religious leaders Jesus 'left that place' and went to the area of Tyre and Sidon. The geography in today's text is important because these areas were a no-go for a respectable Jew. Canaanites were despised by the people of Israel. They were exiled so that Israelites could take control of the land. Relations between these two groups were extremely hostile. By approaching Jesus, the Canaanite woman in the Gospel crosses the boundary of ethnicity as well as gender. This is a narrative on the extreme margins, in unfamiliar territory. The Canaanite woman is the first woman to speak in Matthew's Gospel. She not only speaks, she shouts at Jesus: 'Lord, help me!'

The disciples want to 'send her away'.

The woman is an inconvenience to them, and they are unable to handle her.

But she will not be silenced. This brave woman claims her place at the table.

This dialogue between Jesus and the woman is one that can only happen in a space of honesty and acceptance.

Through her persistence she stands up for all those who are dismissed, and in doing so she is praised for her 'great faith', and her daughter is healed.

### PARISH LOTTO DRAW

Sponsored by Sherry FitzGerald Reilly, Clane Tuesday 15th August 2023

8, 10, 22, 29

No Winner of Jackpot 3 x €50 Winners

Aoibhe & Rian, Nicole, Bridget Bergin **Promoters Draw** 

2 x €50 prize winners

Bob & Kates, Mary Cusack Next week's Jackpot:

€ 6,800

Weekly Lotto tickets are available from your local Promoter, or the Parish Shop or Online at 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 or direct to

Parish a/c:

IBAN IE65AIBK 93323602444022 Clergy Fund a/c: IE79AIBK93323670508088

## Tap And Go

Our Tap And Go cashless Donation Points for €5 and €10 are located in Clane Church. We thank all who support the Parish in this way.

#### **Just Think**

You're here not by chance, but by God's choosing. His hand formed you and made you the person you are.

He compares you to no one else - you are one of a kind. You lack nothing that His grace can't give you.

He has allowed you to be here at this time in history to fulfill His special purpose for this generation.

Amen.

## **Feastdays**

Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> August
The Queenship of Mary
Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> August
St. Rose of Lima
Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> August
St. Bartholomew, Apostle

## **Suaimhneas Centre News**

The Suaimhneas Centre launches it's Program for 2023/2024 on Saturday the 9<sup>th</sup> September at 11am with a very special guest Br. Richard Hendrick.

Br. Richard was thrust into the limelight when his poem **Lockdown** went viral in the early days of the the pandemic.

He will speak about mindfulness, meditation and his recent publication **Stillpoints - A Guide to Living the Mindful, Meditative Way** 

All are welcome to join us at The Suaimhneas Centre, Main Street, Clane on Saturday the 9<sup>th</sup> September 11am-1pm to hear Br. Richard, have a cuppa and find out all about what we we will offer in 2023/2024.

For more information e-mail <a href="mailto:suaimhneascentre@gmail.com">suaimhneascentre@gmail.com</a>
or call 087-2466 892.

Thought for the Week Charity and Love are a Life Choice, a Way of Being of Living.

Items for the Parish Newsletter must be in to the Parish Office by 12 noon on Wednesday Email claneparish@eircom.net

Clane Altar Society Margaret Meehan Many thanks to those who contributed, and those who collected and counted

Basket € 1,311.82 Envelopes € 838.60

## **Treasure Ireland**

A new video series launched recently by the Irish Dominicans is an ambitious project that will take the friars to every county in Ireland, filming roughly ten videos in each county, highlighting the many and varied stories that make up the history of Irish Christianity. The series is currently focussed on the counties which overlap with the territory of the Diocese of Kildare and Leighlin: Laois, Kildare, Carlow, and (soon!) Kilkenny.

Some of the sites visited include Timahoe, the Rock of Dunamase, and the Brownshill Dolmen. The story of Jesuit photographer, Fr Frank Browne, is told in a video recorded in Emo Court, and that of pioneering scientist, Fr Nicholas Callan, in a video from Maynooth. The stories of the great saints of these counties feature prominently: there are videos on St Brigid, St Mochua, St Moling, St Fergal of Aghaboe, and the Dominican martyr, Blessed Peter O'Higgins. There'll soon be added to that list the stories of two great bishops of Kildare and Leighlin: Daniel Delany (d. 1814) and James Doyle (d. 1834), also known as J.K.L. ('James of Kildare and Leighlin').

All of these stories are told in a way designed to interest believers and non-believers alike, showing, bit by bit, that the Gospel is woven inseparably into the fabric of Irish history.

The videos can be viewed on <a href="https://www.kandle.ie/treasure-ireland/">https://www.kandle.ie/treasure-ireland/</a> and <a href="https://www.voutube.com/irishdominicans">https://www.voutube.com/irishdominicans</a>

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Then their eyes were opened, and they recognised him, and he vanished from their sight. They said to each other, 'Were not our hearts burning within us while he was talking to us on the road, while he was opening the scriptures to us?' (Luke 24:31-32)

We recognise these lines from that evening when two disciples walk the seven miles to Emmaus. Jesus walks with them, listens to them, speaks to them and joins them at table. He opens their minds and

He opens their minds and hearts to the reality of the days that had just passed and their place in the story of salvation. He left them with a feeling of deepened awareness of the love he held in his heart for all people—for us.

For more information
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