

Our Faithful Departed...

Paul Boyling, Blackrock, Cork, Father of Stephen Boyling, Richardstown Clane
 Judy McCarthy (née Carmody), Blackhall, Clane/Ardfert, Kerry

...may they rest in peace,

Clane & Rathcoffey Parish Newsletter

Clane Church, 1884 – 2024

Rathcoffey Church, 1710 – 2024

1st Sunday Of Lent

18th February 2024

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

Clane

Masses for the Week

Sat 17th Febr	6.30pm	Trudy Walsh (Months Mind), Elizabeth Francie Bardon, Sean Cribbin, Margaret Slevin, Larry Connolly, Biddy Pearse, Peter McCreery, Rose Tallon (Birth Rem), Dick Nugent, Watt Nugent
Sunday 18th Febr	9.30am	Andy Fitzgerald
	11.30am	Aidan Egan Jnr, Deceased Members of The O'Neill Family, Maureen Wade, Marie Brennan, Carmel Shortt (Birth Rem)
Monday 19th Febr	10.00am	Service of the Word and Holy Communion
Tuesday 20th Febr	10.00am	John & Bridie O'Neill and Deceased Members of The O'Neill Family, John & Teresa Mullins
Wed 21st Febr	10.00am	Morning Prayer
Thu 22nd Febr	10.00am	
Friday 23rd Febr	10.00am	The Members of The Reardon and Kavanagh Families, Denis Fanning, Clement Fanning, Declan Sweeney
Sat 24th Febr	6.30pm	Eddie Hackett, Sadie Fortune, Noel Murphy
Sunday 25th Febr	9.30am	
	11.30am	Dieter Eggert (Months Mind), Jack Sherkey, Richard & Kathleen White, Baby Charlie Morley Kavanagh, Michelle Walsh (Née Behan)

Rathcoffey

Sunday 18th Febr	10.30am	May Flood
Sunday 25th Febr	10.30am	Pat Jennings, James & Irene Curran, Aisling Maloney

	Sat 24th 6.30 pm	Sunday 25th 9.30am	Sunday 25th 11.30am	Sunday 25th 10.30am
	Clane	Clane	Clane	Rathcoffey
Ministers of the Eucharist	Cyrena Hayes Patricia O'Neill Peter O'Neill Anne Behan	Matthew Cribbin Cait Cullen Oriana Hackett Katherine Martin	Teresa Fadden Margaret Maguire Yvonne Darragh Sean O'Hara	Esther Hendrick Siobhán McCrystal
Ministers of the Word	Christy Kirwan Brian O'Brien	Fionnuala White	Vanitha D Souza Colette O'Byrne	Geraldine & Sofia Kinnane
Basket Collectors (February)	Joe Higgins	Paddy Moore Darragh O'Brien	Kathleen Browne P. J. Sheridan	

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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

Email: claneparish@eircom.net

www.claneparish.com

WebCam/Live Streaming

www.claneparish.com

and on churchservices TV

www.facebook.com/ClaneParishPage/

The Origins Of Lent

The word 'Lent' comes from the Old English word 'lengthen'. Lent is in springtime, when the days begin to get longer. Lent is a forty-day period of fasting, prayer, and penance that leads up to Easter Sunday. The number forty has great significance in Christianity. In Judaism, it took the Israelites forty years to reach the Promised Land after being freed from slavery in Egypt. Before Jesus began his ministry, he spent forty days fasting in the desert. After being tempted by the devil, Jesus left the desert and was ready to do the work of God. During Lent, Christians remember the time Jesus spent in the desert. Lent begins on Ash Wednesday, when Christians are marked with ashes in the shape of a cross on their foreheads, at Mass or at other times. This symbolic act serves as a reminder of death and sorrow for sin. The modern practice in the Catholic Church is for the priest to say to each person. 'You are dust, and unto dust you shall return', or 'Repent and believe the good news'.

PARISH LOTTO DRAW

Sponsored by
Sherry FitzGerald Reilly, Clane
Tuesday 13th February 2024

6, 8, 12, 28

No winner of Jackpot

3 x €50 Winners

Mairin Ryan, Lorcan MacHugh,
John Briody

Promoters Draw

2 x €50 prize winners

Mags Brilly, Benevolent Fund

Next week's Jackpot:

€ 2,800

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

Feastdays during the week

Wednesday 21st Febr - St. Peter Damian
Thursday 22nd Febr - The Chair of St. Peter
Friday 23rd Febr - St. Polycarp, Turkey

Planning to book a bus for **DIVINE MERCY
CONFERENCE** in RDS, Dublin for **Sat 24th Feb next.**
If interested please TEXT Marie @ 086 1983870 or TEXT
Cera @ 086 8580229. Google [Divine Mercy Conference](https://www.google.com/search?q=Divine+Mercy+Conference)
for more information on day's events.

Confirmation 2024

Friday March 1st Clane
Saturday March 2nd Rathcoffey
A Welcome To All!

We are looking forward to our Parish
Confirmation Ceremonies

on **March 1st in Clane,**
11am Scoil Phádraig/Hewetson and
1pm Scoil Bhríde/Hewetson and
in Rathcoffey on **March 2nd**
at 11am for Scoil Mochua.

We are taking our Confirmation young
people on their **retreat days** to Kildare
on this Wednesday/Thursday
21st/22nd February.

We are inviting all Parents and
Confirmation Young People to a short
**practice for the Ceremony on Tuesday
27th February** in Clane Church at 7pm
and in Rathcoffey Church at 8pm.

Looking forward to these special faith and
family moments.

Calling all Farmers – Places available on
Rural Social Scheme – Contact Suzanne in
County Kildare LEADER Partnership
for more details on how you could make
an extra income.
suzanne@countykildarelp.ie – 086-0411293

Sacredspace.ie

Why not follow The Lenten Retreat Time
each day prepared by our own
Mary Murphy Firmount, Clane

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

Clane Altar Society

Rose Langan
Margaret Lee

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

Basket € 1,476.63
Envelopes € 1,007.90

Recent Parish Baptisms, a Welcome to

- Patrycja Mazur
- Jack Dixon
- Donnacha Stephen Ford
- Jasmine Hope Lynch
- Cúan John McManamon
- Eve Agne Ellen Connolly
- Habana Gill Perez
- Grace Cooney
- Sadie Marie Hanks
- Ellie Ada Fox
- Caelan Martin Fox
- Sophie Elizabeth Stallard
- Lucy Theresa Arnold
- Rory Stephen Morrin
- Aoibheann Grace Jones
- Conor Walsh
- Abigail Durran
- Rían Moriarty
- Lila Grace Devey
- Alexander Wiczorek
- Ronan Andrew Thomas Hyland
- Sarah Marie Keenan
- Ted Arthur McCaffrey
- Amelia Summer Ruiz-Fitzpatrick
- Andrea Sheian Singco
- Nina Gleeson
- Jody Gleeson
- Savannah Marie Marron
- Sonny Oisín Stapleton

A Reflection from Pope Francis

Dear sister, dear brother, if you sins
frighten you, if your past worries you, if
your wounds do not heal, if your constant
failings dishearten you and you seem to
have lost hope, do not be afraid.
God knows your weaknesses and is greater
than your mistakes. He asks of you only
one thing: that you not hold your frailties
and sufferings inside. Bring them to him,
lay them before him and, from being
reasons for despair, they will become
opportunities for resurrection.

Do not be afraid!

Yet human reassurance is not enough.
We need the closeness of God and the
certainty of his forgiveness, which alone
eliminates evil, disarms resentment and
restores peace to our hearts.
Let us return to God and to his
forgiveness.

This Resurrexit zoom only presentation
next Friday 23rd Feb at 8 pm, will examine
the word of God in our lives, and will be
based in part on Fr. Richard Rohrs book,
"Things Hidden". It will be given by
Nicholas Keary, a member of the
Resurrexit Community, and Nicholas will
draw out a number of key themes which
will help us to experience Scripture in a
new and exciting way.

For zoom details please email Grace
at resurrexitcommunity@gmail.com, or ring
her at 086-8161043. Alternatively ring
Eileen at 087-2160126.

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Thought for the Week

Prayer - Something that we are not something we do.