

### Our Faithful Departed.....

Maurice Shortt, Dublin Road, Clane

Fiona Orrill (née Harrison) Mooretown Drive, Rathcoffey

...may they rest in peace, Amen

### Clane

### Masses for the Week

Saturday 31st January	6.30pm	Theresa Kearns (Months Mind), Barry Gallagher, James Gallagher
Sunday 1st February	9.30am	Davy Hussey (1st anniv)
	11.30am	John Walsh, Andy O'Connor, Biddy Pearse, George Manzor, Brian Manzor and Deceased Family Members, Jeremy Glennon, Edna Kennelly (Birth Rem)
Tuesday 3rd February	10.00am	Hugh O'Neill, Margaret Hanly
Wednesday 4th Febr	10.00am	Morning Prayer
Thursday 5th Febr	10.00am	
Friday 6th February	10.00am	John Duffy
Saturday 7th February	6.30pm	John Harpur (Months Mind), Jim & Ann McDonald, Mary O'Toole, James Seamus, Betty O'Toole, John Curran, Bertie Mallon, Unnie Hylle
Sunday 8th February	9.30am	
	11.30am	Bill & Mary Malone, Matt Malone, Peter Malone, Peter & Kate O'Toole, Christopher & Elizabeth Malone and Deceased Family Members

### Rathcoffey

Sunday 1st February	10.30am	Hugh & Margaret Jennings and their daughter Dorothy Harrington, Tommy Brilly and Deceased Members of The Brilly Family, Charles Mitchell, Declan, Molly and Paddy Sweeney
Sunday 8th February	10.30am	John Behan (1st anniv) and his Parents Michael & Mary Behan, Eithne (Nettie) Herbert, Jimmy, Milly and Thomas Brilly

	Sat 7th 6.30 pm	Sunday 8th 9.30am	Sunday 8th 11.30am	Sunday 8th 10.30am
	Clane	Clane	Clane	Rathcoffey
Ministers of the Eucharist	Patricia O'Neill Peter O'Neill Anne Behan Marie Cribbin	James Plunkett Marie Wells Sheila Briody Jenny Remo	Anna Wolfe Rose Sullivan Magdalena Tafelska Beata Mitus	Siobhan McCrystal Brendan Travers
Ministers of the Word	Michelle Kelleher Jean Ui Bhroin	Kate O'Donoghue John Power	Stephanie Muldoon Breda Vizzard	Shane Keenan
Basket Collectors (February)	Joe Horan	Darragh O'Brien Paddy Moore Jonathan McCann	P.J. Sheridan	

# Clane & Rathcoffey Parish Newsletter

Clane Church, 1884 – 2026

Rathcoffey Church, 1710 – 2026

Fourth Sunday of Ordinary Time  
Parish Charity Number 20015848

1st February 2026  
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Love while You can, walk while You can, Love not judgement

### Parish Contacts

Fr. Paul O'Boyle P.P.  
Prosperous Road, Clane  
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### Weekend Mass Times

#### Clane

Saturday 6.30pm  
Sunday 9.30am  
11.30am

#### Rathcoffey

Sunday 10.30am

### Suaimhneas Centre

Main Street Clane, 087-2466 892  
Supporting Our Search For Inner Peace

### Children's Grief Space

Making a difference in the lives of children and young people affected by loss  
Parish Centre, Main Street in Clane  
089-246 5747

### 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

f [www.facebook.com/ClaneParishPage](https://www.facebook.com/ClaneParishPage)

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### Feast of St. Brigid of Kildare

Brigid lived the Beatitudes. Born around the year 454 at Faughart, she followed her calling to consecrate her life to God. Tutored by Mel in Ardagh, she fostered that calling in many others. With Conleth, she founded the double monastery of Kildare. The interior spiritual life was given countless expression in a life marked by welcome of the stranger and hospitality to all, in her care for the sick and the poor, and in her concern for animals, nature and the Earth. Brigid died on 1 February 524 and is buried in Downpatrick, with the other two patrons of Ireland, Patrick and Columba (Colum Cille).

The first day of February is also the date of the Celtic festival of Imbolc, the beginning of a new season of hope and growth. Brigid's reputation spread throughout Ireland and in many parts of Europe. The legend of her cloak expanding to meet the needs of her monastery, highlights the power of this fourth/fifth-century woman. The Brigid's Cross, woven from rushes, expressed her Christian faith and God's concern and protection given to us through the prayers and intercession of Brigid.

The public holiday (on Monday, 2 February 2026) is linked with the feast of our patron saint. It was established as a recognition of the enormous sacrifices made by our people and by front-line workers in particular during the Covid 19 pandemic. With St Brigid we remember those who died, all who suffered in so many ways, and those who still suffer, and we express our gratitude to those who, like St Brigid, gave guidance, care and comfort.

A Naomh Bríd a Mhuire na nGael, scar orainn do bhrat. A Naomh Bríd, a chroí na féile, stiúir sinn ar an mbóthar ceart. A Naomh Bríd gheanúil ghrástúil, ar ár namhaid cosain sinn. A Naomh Bríd, a bhean rialta álainn, ar uair ár mbáis glaoigh orainn.



## PARISH LOTTO DRAW

Sponsored by  
Sherry FitzGerald Reilly, Clane

Tuesday 27th January 2026

# 2, 10, 12, 17

No winner of Jackpot

**3 x €50 Winners**

James Ryan, Grainne Troy,  
Daniel Burchéal

Promoters Draw

**2 x €50 prize winners**

Darragh O'Brien, Benevolent Fund

Next week's Jackpot:

## € 3,600

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

### Feast days during the week:

Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> - St. Blaise, Armenia  
Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> - St. Agatha, Sicily  
Friday 6<sup>th</sup> - Ss. Paul Miki & Companions, Japan  
Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> - St. Mel of Longford

### Thought for the Week

God loves the real me and you.

## Blessing of throats

The blessing of the throats will take  
place at the 10am Mass in Clane  
on **Friday 6<sup>th</sup> February 2026**.

## Blessing of throats

The blessing of St Blaise is a sign of our  
faith in God's protection and love for us  
and for the sick. Using two crossed and  
unlighted candles, blessed on the  
memorial of St Blaise or on the feast of  
the Presentation of the Lord, the  
minister touches the throat of each  
person, saying, 'Through the  
intercession of St Blaise, bishop and  
martyr, may God deliver you from all  
ailments of the throat and from every  
other evil or from every disease of the  
throat and from every other illness. In  
the name of the Father and of the Son,  
and of the Holy Spirit.  
Amen.

All our **Confirmation young people** are  
invited to our next **preparation Mass**  
either in Clane  
on Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> February at 6.30pm  
OR the 10.30am Mass in Rathcoffey  
on Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> February.

The Theme will be St. Brigid of Kildare.

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)

**Eucharistic Adoration**  
Clane Church  
10.30am - 11am Fridays  
(after 10am Mass)  
All Welcome!

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

Basket	€ 1,486.87
Envelopes	€ 793.00

**Volunteers are being invited** to train as  
tutors for **Fáilte Isteach**  
Conversational English Classes. Free online  
tutor training will be provided  
by Failte Isteach, Third Age Ireland  
commencing March 2026  
in the Parish Centre, Clane.  
If you are interested, please contact:  
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086 0845183 or  
Anna [annatmchugh@yahoo.ie](mailto:annatmchugh@yahoo.ie)  
086-3142493

**Sallins 50th Anniversary**  
**Parish Pilgrimage to Lourdes**  
10<sup>th</sup>-17<sup>th</sup> July 2026, € 1197pps  
[www.marian.ie](http://www.marian.ie), (01) 878 81559

**The Holy Family Lay Members,**  
**Clane Group will hold a Coffee Morning**  
**in aid of The Children of Gaza**  
on Thursday **February 5<sup>th</sup>**  
**at 10.30am to 12noon**  
in The Parish Centre  
All Are Welcome!

Every cent raised will go to the charity.  
Thank you.  
Any queries or if you would like to help,  
contact: Terri Coonan  
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**Parish Safeguarding Representatives**  
Fr Paul O'Boyle, Sean O'Hara, Aisling Behan  
Diocesan Designated Liaison Person  
Ailish Higgins [dlp@kandle.ie](mailto:dlp@kandle.ie) 085 802 1633

## St. Brigid's Camino Walk 2nd February To Commemorate Brigid

Monasterevin Parish had organised a  
Camino Walk in honour of St. Brigid.  
Starting at St. Brigid's Shrine at Mountrice  
W34X529 on the Monasterevin – Rathangan  
Road (414) at 11am on Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> February  
Car parking was provided at Mountrice  
Cross. A bus will leave the Parish Church  
Monasterevin at 10.30am to Mountrice and  
return to Mountrice at 2pm.  
Refreshments will be provided on the day.

## The 5 Finger Prayer

For each finger there is a different  
category of person that you can pray for  
as a family.

1. **Thumb:** Those closest to your  
heart—family and friends
2. **Pointer finger:** Those giving  
direction—teachers, doctors...etc.
3. **Index finger:** Those in  
leadership—Government,  
Business, Church
4. **Ring finger:** Those who are  
weak—sick, poor
5. **Pinky finger:** Yourself

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)