

**Our Faithful Departed.....**

**John Daly, St. Anne's, Blackhall, Clane**  
**Patricia Kelly (née O'Driscoll), Richardstown, Clane**  
 ...may they rest in peace, Amen

# Clane & Rathcoffey Parish Newsletter

Clane Church, 1884 – 2026

Rathcoffey Church, 1710 – 2026

**Masses for the Week**

**Clane**

Saturday 28th February	6.30pm	Eddie Hackett, Noel Murphy, Mick Gill, Sadie Fortune, Frances & Paddy Gill and Deceased Members of the Gill Family, Mona Meagher and Shay Farrell and their Parents, Ellen Walsh, Liz Reilly and Dicey Reilly
Sunday 1st March	9.30am	People of The Parish
	11.30am	Frank Mellon (Months Mind), Dorota Urbanska (Months Mind), James Noonan, Anna & John Cosgrove, Brendan & Kitty Dowling, Jim McCullagh, Angela Kelly, Gerald McGuirk, David McGuirk
Tuesday 3rd March	10.00am	The sick of The Parish
Wednesday 4th March	10.00am	Morning Prayer
Thursday 5th March	10.00am	
Friday 6th March	10.00am	
Saturday 7th March	6.30pm	Pat Meleady, Rita Campbell, Geraldine Owens, Eoin Murphy, Michael (Mick) Smith and Deceased Members of the Smith Family, James O'Donnell
Sunday 8th March	9.30am	Peter Kelly, Liam Flynn, John English, Jack Kerrigan
	11.30am	Maurice Shortt (Months Mind), Bryan Sammon

**Rathcoffey**

Sunday 1st March	10.30am	Fiona Orrill (Months Mind), Patrick Jennings
Sunday 8th March	10.30am	Helen Berns, John McNally, Brigid Cullen and Deceased Members of the McNally & Cullen Families

	Sat 7th 6.30 pm	Sunday 8th 9.30am	Sunday 8th 11.30am	Sunday 8th 10.30am
	Clane	Clane	Clane	Rathcoffey
<b>Ministers of the Eucharist</b>	Patricia O'Neill Peter O'Neill Cyrena Hayes Marie Cribbin	Margaret McDonald Shirley O'Keefe James Plunkett Marie Wells	Anna Wolfe Tony McKenna Magdalena Tafelska Beata Mitus	Jenny Behan Ray Barry
<b>Ministers of the Word</b>	Christy Kirwan Brian O'Brien	Eddie Collins Declan Dillon	Noel De La Pena Mary Smith	Alvagh Cronin
<b>Basket Collectors (March)</b>		Darragh O'Brien Paddy Moore James Plunkett	Sean O'Hara Philip Comerford Donal O'Brien	

**Second Sunday of Lent**  
**Parish Charity Number 20015848**

**1st March 2026**  
**Book Page 80**  
 Love while You can, walk while You can, Love not judgement

**Parish Contacts**  
**Fr. Paul O'Boyle P.P.**  
 Prosperous Road, Clane  
 Phone: 045 868249

**Weekend Mass Times**  
**Clane**  
 Saturday 6.30pm  
 Sunday 9.30am  
 11.30am  
**Rathcoffey**  
 Sunday 10.30am

**Suaimehneas 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**  
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**and on churchservices TV**  
**f [www.facebook.com/ClaneParishPage](https://www.facebook.com/ClaneParishPage)**  
**@clane\_parish**

**Confirmation 2026**

We send prayerful good wishes to all our 140 young people receiving Confirmation in the Parish in Clane this Friday 6th and in Rathcoffey on Saturday 7th. May the gifts of the Holy Spirit, wisdom, right judgement, courage knowledge, reverence wonder and awe and understanding be with them all the days of their lives.

God has created each one of us originals, we are not photocopies as Saint Carlo Acutis reminds us. Special thanks to Teachers, Families, Parents and Priests, student Priest Damian Will and all who have supported them on their journey Faith.

## PARISH LOTTO DRAW

Sponsored by  
Sherry FitzGerald Reilly, Clane

Tuesday 24th February 2026

# 8, 27, 28, 31

No winner of Jackpot

**3 x €50 Winners**

Ita Killaly, Liz Connelly,  
Margaret McDonald

**Promoters Draw**

**2 x €50 prize winners**

Mary Dunne, Peggy Walsh

Next week's Jackpot:

## € 2,600

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:**

Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> - St. Casimir, Poland  
Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> - St. Kieran, Kilkenny

## CONFIRMATION 2026

**Clane**

Friday 6<sup>th</sup> March 2026

10.30am Scoil Bhríde  
1pm Scoil Phadraig & Hewetson N.S.

**Rathcoffey**

Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> March 2026 11am

## Lenten Journey

Baptised and Sent This Lent, come join a shared  
weekly journey of prayer, Gospel reflection and  
conversation. These 5 weekly gatherings invite  
all to rediscover who we are in Christ, listen to  
the Holy Spirit, and live our baptismal calling  
more deeply as we continue the  
Church's journey of renewal in Ireland.  
**Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> March at 7.30pm**  
in the Suaimhneas Room, Parish Centre.

**Clane's Annual St. Patrick's Day Parade  
Churchgate Collection** is taking place next  
weekend 28<sup>th</sup> February and 1<sup>st</sup> March.

Please support if you can.  
All help is very much appreciated.  
2026 Clane St. Patrick's Day Theme:  
'Forty Shades of Green'

## Fish on Fridays

A new short video series from the Diocese  
exploring baptism. Videos will be released  
each Friday of Lent. See Kandle Facebook  
and X accounts to view this exciting new  
resource and look out for other Lenten  
posts on Mondays and Wednesdays  
on Facebook and X.

**Eucharistic Adoration** Clane Church

10.30am - 11am Fridays (after 10am Mass)  
All Welcome!

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

Eileen Duffy  
Frances Ennis

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

Basket € 1,715.21  
Envelopes € 2,803.90

**St Columbanus Lecture - Columbanus,  
The Irish, and Rome on Tuesday 3rd of March  
at 6.30pm in Carlow College – St Patrick's  
College, College Street,  
Carlow Town, R93 A003.**

Dr Damian Bracken, U.C.C., will deliver a  
lecture on 'Columbanus, The Irish, And Rome'.  
The lecture is presented by Carlow College and  
Carlow County Museum, which is operated by  
Carlow County Council. This concludes the  
Ireland and the Birth of Europe Exhibition that  
is currently on display in the Museum in  
partnership with The Irish Department of  
Foreign Affairs. All are welcome to attend the  
lecture, and admission is free.

## Vocation Discernment Weekend

Contemplative Dominican Monastic Vocation  
Discernment Weekends in the Monastery of St.  
Catherine of Siena, The Twenties,  
Drogheda, Co. Louth. A92 KR84,  
from the 20<sup>th</sup> – 22<sup>nd</sup> of March 2026  
and the 17<sup>th</sup> – 19<sup>th</sup> April 2026.  
For single women between the ages of  
18- 35 years old.  
Please contact: Sr. Mairead O.P. at :  
[sienavoc@gmail.com](mailto:sienavoc@gmail.com) Tel: 041 9838524

## 5-Week Meditation Course:

Online, Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> March, 8pm.  
Beginner-friendly meditation and breath practices  
for calm and relaxation. Call Mary 087-276 4539.

**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

## Prayer of St Francis

Lord, make me an instrument of your peace:  
Where there is hatred let me sow love,  
Where there is doubt let me sow faith  
Where there is despair let me sow hope,  
Where there is darkness let me give light,  
Where there is sadness let me give joy,  
O divine master,  
grant that I may not try to be comforted  
but to comfort,  
not try to be understood but to understand,  
not try to be loved but to love,  
for it is in giving that we receive,  
it is forgiving that we are forgiven,  
and in dying that we are born to eternal life .  
Amen

## Solemn Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Help

St. Peter & Paul's Church Monasterevin,  
Monday 9<sup>th</sup> March to Friday 13<sup>th</sup> March  
Theme: Baptised & Sent  
**Monday 9<sup>th</sup> March**, Guest Speaker: Dana - Irish  
Songwriter, Singer & Politician. Winning the  
Eurovision in 1970 and entering Politics in 1997.  
**Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> March**, Guest Speaker:  
Cuan Mhuire--Centre for those battling addictions  
**Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> March**, Guest Speaker:  
Declan Prendergast – recently ordained Permanent  
Deacon with his own story to tell  
**Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> March**, Guest Speaker:  
To be confirmed  
**Friday 13<sup>th</sup> March**, Guest Speaker: Conor Kelly,  
Trócaire - recently back from working as a Field  
Officer in Malawi.

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

The quitter you become, the more you can hear. (Proverbs)