

# Laragh Parish Newsletter



**11. Divine Mercy Sunday:** The parish of Urney and Annagelliff invites all to celebrate Divine Mercy Sunday (April 8<sup>th</sup>) in the Cathedral from 2pm – 5pm with Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, Confession from 2pm – 3pm, Chaplet of Divine Mercy. Talk by Fr Gabriel Kelly. Mass by Fr Peter Okpetu and Veneration of the Relics of St Faustina.

**12. Stand Up for Life:** A series of regional rallies around Ireland highlighting the importance of the 8<sup>th</sup> Amendment takes place from 2<sup>nd</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup> April. Speakers from Ireland and abroad. To find out more see Notice Board or visit [www.loveboth.ie](http://www.loveboth.ie)

**13. Apostolate of Prayer:** [myprayer.ie](http://myprayer.ie) is a new website where people can ask for prayer as well as praying for the intentions of others. 5000 people have already registered as online intercessors.

**14. Clifferná ICA:** Monthly meeting on Monday 9<sup>th</sup> April at 8.30pm in St Michael's Centre. Fees due on the night, new members always welcome.

**15. Clifferná Parents Association:** Fun Run on Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> April, starting at 12noon sharp. Everyone welcome, superhero theme for anyone that would like to dress up. Registration from 10.30am in Clifferná Hall. 3k and 5k route available. All support greatly appreciated.

**16. Stradone Advanced People's Club:** are having an Easter Party in The Lavey Inn on Thursday April 5<sup>th</sup> with Meal at 2pm, followed by Music, Song & Dance. If you wish to attend it is important to give your name to Maisie 049 4330148 by Friday 30<sup>th</sup>. Members from Lavey Senior Social Club will be our guests for the day. All welcome.

**17. Laragh United GFC Lotto Results:** No jackpot winner. Numbers drawn were 4, 19, 20, 21. €30 winners were PJ Brady & Boys, Una McKenna, Jason Nulty, Breege Smith, Arlene McCaul. Next week's jackpot €8,400.

**18. Darkness into Light:** Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> May at 4.15am starting at Cavan Institute, Cathedral Road, Cavan. Register online for early bird discount. [www.dil.pieta.ie](http://www.dil.pieta.ie)

**19. Laragh Variety Group:** Presents its 33<sup>rd</sup> Gala Variety Show in Stradone Community Centre on Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup>, Thursday 5<sup>th</sup>, Friday 6<sup>th</sup> and Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> April at 8pm. Don't miss this extravaganza of comedy, music, song and dance!



**To all our Readers!**

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**1<sup>st</sup> April 2018 – Easter Sunday**

## Making Sense of Everything

Easter defeats all our symbols of defeat - the hat we flung at it, the ghost we gave up, the towel we threw in, the last nail in the coffin, the final straw. Easter settles the debt, reverses the charges, picks us up off our knees, opens the prison and raises our hands in victory. Christmas celebrates giving, Pentecost inspiration, and Lent is for licking us into shape - but they're all roads leading nowhere if Easter didn't happen. Why rejoice at Christmas, why fast in Lent, why talk of God's Spirit at work in our lives? If there's no Easter, there's nothing to celebrate. The Gospels are wishful thinking, our great cathedrals are built on sand, and the sanctuary lamps flicker foolishly in our churches - if Christ is not risen. As St. Paul says, if he is not risen, we are the most unfortunate of people. And the long obituary lists we read online or in our newspapers are indeed the final roll call - and the grief that cries out for consolation knows no cure.

But Easter did happen! And that's why we sing Alleluia. That's why the Gloria returns. That's why the words of the Mass go a little mad with joy. *'The Lord's right hand has triumphed; his right hand raised me up. I shall not die. I shall live and recount his deeds.'*

**GENERAL NOTICES**

**ST. BRIGID'S CHURCH LARAGH**

**Masses this week:**

**Holy Saturday 9.00 pm**

**The Easter Vigil**

Baby Francis Brady, Drumenara (Remembrance Mass)

Philip Devine, Kilnagarbet A/V

**Easter Sunday 11.00 am**

Mon 2<sup>nd</sup> April 11.00 am

Nora and Tommy Hanley & Dec mbrs of Bushell Family

Tue 3<sup>rd</sup> 7.45 pm

Jim & Nancy McKenna & Dec members of O'Brien  
Family, Munelta A/V

Fri 6<sup>th</sup> 7.45 pm

Andy Rahill & John Matthews, Artina A/V

Sun 8<sup>th</sup> 11.00 am

Michael McKeon & his grand daughter Maebh Ann  
McKeon-Boyle, Aughagoldrick A/V

**Eucharistic Adoration:**

On Tuesday from 5pm – 7.45pm

**Servers for Next Week**

**Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> April:**

Caitlin, Mark, Aoife, Cian, Finn

**ST. PATRICK'S CHURCH CARRICKALLEN**

**Masses this week:**

**Easter Sunday 8.00 am**

Dawn Mass

Fri 6<sup>th</sup> April 8.30 pm

Helen McCabe, Carrickacromin M/M

Sat 7<sup>th</sup> April 7.30 pm

Elizabeth & Thomas Smith & Dec family mbrs, Artina

**ST. MICHAEL'S CHURCH CLIFFERNA**

**Masses this week:**

**Easter Sunday 9.30 am**

John & Kate Donohoe, Jim Donohoe, Corfad, also  
remembering Roisin Woods, Ballinagh

Sun 8<sup>th</sup> April 9.30 am

Dec mbrs Reilly Family, Corfad A/V

**Eucharistic Adoration:**

On Wednesday from 2pm – 3pm

**Mass Bookings:**

Can be made after 9.30am Mass

1. **Thank You:** to all the 'chauffeurs' who ferried me from church to church and/or brought me shopping during my 'confinement'. Your generosity was greatly appreciated. Thanks also to those who offered.
2. **Visitation of Sick & Housebound:** will take place between 10<sup>th</sup> and 13<sup>th</sup> April.
3. **Petitions Box for World Meeting of Families:** will be available in Laragh Church until next Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> April.
4. **Trocaire:** Please bring in all outstanding contributions next Sunday.
5. **The Franciscan Missionary Sisters for Africa:** are visiting Kilmore Diocese this year. Sr Cecilia Sweeney FMSA will speak at all Masses in Laragh on 14<sup>th</sup>/15<sup>th</sup> April.
6. **Kilmore Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes 2018:** From Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> May – Friday 1<sup>st</sup> June. Booking forms for pilgrim section are available at Cavan Travel, Tel 049 4361222 or Virginia Travel, Tel 049 8548544. Enquiries for Special Sick/Assisted section to Fr Kevin Fay, Presbytery, Tel 049 4331404 or 087 857 9968.
7. **World Meeting of Families (WMOF):**
  - **Registration:** All adults and children who wish to attend the WMOF need to register. All events require a ticket for entry. Some events are free while others are subject to a fee. Complete registration form on [www.worldmeeting2018.ie](http://www.worldmeeting2018.ie) in order to have access to tickets.
  - **Volunteers:** The WMOF will attract thousands of Irish and International Pilgrims. Organising it and seeing it through will only be possible with the help of thousands of volunteers. Sign up to volunteer on [www.worldmeeting2018.ie](http://www.worldmeeting2018.ie) or email [volunteer@worldmeeting2018.ie](mailto:volunteer@worldmeeting2018.ie)
8. **Church Events 2018:**

**Holy Communion** – Laragh on Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> May at 12noon  
**Holy Communion** – Cliffferna on Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> May at 11.30am  
**Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes** – 27<sup>th</sup> May – 1<sup>st</sup> June  
**Diocesan Pilgrimage to Knock** –  
**Cemetery Sunday** – Carrickallen 1<sup>st</sup> July, Laragh 8<sup>th</sup> July, Cliffferna 29<sup>th</sup> July
9. **Laragh Childcare Services CLG:** will hold their church gate collection after all Masses this weekend. Your support is much appreciated.
10. **Lough Derg Pilgrimage Season:** See list of One Day Retreats and dates for 3 Day Pilgrimages on Notice Board and on booklets available at doors.