

Laragh Parish Newsletter

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11. Lough Derg 2018: Season opens for One Day Retreats on Saturday 5th May. Retreats continue on May 6, 7, 8, 12, 13, 15, 20, 22, 26, 27 & 28. Advance booking is essential. Tel +353 (0) 71 9861518 or email info@loughderg.org *Why not take some time and space for yourself on Lough Derg this May?* (Three Day Pilgrimage Season begins on Friday 1st June)

12. East Cavan PTAA: 32nd Annual Dinner Dance on Sunday 20th May. Mass and Pin Presentation in St. Dymrna's Church Lower Lavey at 3pm, followed immediately afterwards by Dinner in The Lavey Inn. Music by Seamus Farrell. Tickets €25 from Matt Boylan 087 2542690 or Mattie McCaffrey 086 8319540 or local centres. Anyone wishing to be presented with a 10 year, Silver, Gold or Diamond Pioneer Pin, please contact your local centre representative.

13. Ceili Dancing Classes: continues in Stradone Community Centre on Monday nights at 9pm. New members most welcome.

14. Laragh United GFC Lotto Results: Congratulations to jackpot winner Jimmy Quail, Kells. Numbers drawn were 4, 8, 24, 30. €30 winners were Bridget O' Brien, Philip Brady, Ronan Carroll, Michelle Maguire and Katie Daly. Next week's jackpot €3,000. Draw will take place in Stradone Community Centre on Monday night.

15. Tanagh Outdoor Adventure Summer Camp: for anyone between the ages of 9 – 16 years to participate in Outdoor Adventure Summer Camp from Wednesday 9th – 13th July. The camps will run daily for one week Monday – Friday from 9.45am – 4.30pm Monday – Thursday and on Friday finish at 2.30pm. Cost €135. Book early to avoid disappointment. Contact Philomena on 049 5552988 for more information.

16. Free Blood Pressure Check: Don't miss out on your chance for a FREE blood pressure check with an Irish Heart Foundation Nurse when the Mobile Health Unit visits Johnston Central Library, Cavan on Tuesday 15th May, from 10am to 4pm. Patricia Dunne, H.S.E. Cardiac Rehabilitation Coordinator will deliver a presentation "Your Heart is Your Engine: Risk factors on how to keep your heart healthy" at 1pm. Refreshments served - All welcome.

Your prayers are requested for the soul of the late

- **James Casserly, Birmingham and late of Tullyinchin**, whose funeral and burial will take place in Birmingham. We extend our sympathy to his wife, son, sister Betty, Dublin and family circle.



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Emergency Numbers

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| Cavan Gardai | 049 4368800 | Doc-on-Call | 1850 777911 |
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6th May 2018 – The Ascension of the Lord

The Meaning of the Ascension

There's a children's poem called 'The U in Jesus'. It begins: 'Before U were thought of or time had begun, God stuck U in the name of his Son. And each time U pray, you'll see it's true, you can't spell out JesUs and not include U'. To adult ears the pun becomes a bit tiresome after a while. Here's what it says about the Ascension. 'When JesUs left earth at his Upward Ascension, He felt there was one thing he just had to mention: "Go into the world and tell them it's true, that I love them all - just like I love U"'. The poem concludes: 'It all depends now on what U will do. He'd like them to know but it all starts with U.' The poet seems to have missed a trick here: Jesus and U have suddenly become separated. But that's not what the Ascension means. The great religious writers say it means two things: first, that in Christ our humanity has entered into the inner life of God; second, that far from taking leave of us, the ascended Christ has come closer to us than we could possibly imagine. Perhaps the poet should have written: 'Because JesUs's in heaven, it means U are too; because U are on earth, JesUs couldn't leave U.' Or, more bizarrely: 'It's reasonable, I must confess, that JesUs wasn't re-named Jess.' Er...I'll get my coat.

GENERAL NOTICES

ST. BRIGID'S CHURCH LARAGH

Masses this week:

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| Sun 13 th May | 11.00 am | Dec mbrs of Reilly Family, Lisatavin A/V |
| Mon 14 th | 9.30 am | As Requested |
| Tue 15 th | 7.45 pm | Dec mbrs Mullen Family, Cordevlis & McKenna Family, Drumole A/V |
| Wed 16 th | 10.30 am | For the People of the Parish |
| Thur 17 th | 10.30 am | As Requested |
| Fri 18 th | 7.45 pm | Paddy & Bridgie Brady, Lisigney & Dec mbrs of Brady Family, Lisnananagh A/V |
| Sun 20 th | 11.00 am | Paddy & Kathleen Smith, Auhagoldrick A/V |

Eucharistic Adoration: On Tuesday from 5pm – 7.45pm

Servers for Next Week

Sunday 20th May: Ellen, Emily, Grace, Ned, Peter, Fiona

ST. PATRICK'S CHURCH CARRICKALLEN

Masses this week:

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| Sat 12 th May | 7.30 pm | Phil, Pauline and John Fox, Doureagh A/V |
| Sat 19 th | 7.30 pm | Mary Ann, Andrew, Seamus & Mary Kate Tully, Edrans & Moneycass A/V |

ST. MICHAEL'S CHURCH CLIFFERNA

Masses this week:

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| Sun 13 th May | 9.30 am | Michael Farrelly & The Dec mbrs of the Gillick & Monaghan Families, Knockateggart A/V |
| Fri 18 th | 7.00 pm | Hugh & Kate Denning, Tierlahood A/V |
| Sun 20 th | 9.30 am | James & Julia Tierney & Dec family mbrs, Kilnacreeva and Luke, Margaret & Jim Smith, Kilnacreeva A/V |
| Sun 20 th | 12.00 pm | Liam Carolan & Dec family mbrs, Greaghagibney A/V |

Eucharistic Adoration: On Wednesday from 2pm – 3pm

- Fr Paddy Brady:** hopes to return to Clifferna for an evening Mass before the end of May. His new address is Portiuncula Nursing Home, Multyfarnham, Westmeath, N91 RW14. Telephone 044 9371911. His personal mobile is 086 0580100.
- Congratulations:** to the children from Laragh NS who received their First Holy Communion yesterday. They were Darren Boylan, Lauren Brady, Ellen Cooney, Keelyn Crowe, Ryan Fox, Isabella Hennessy, Joseph McGreevy, Tara O' Reilly, Cian Reilly, Thomas Rudden, Chloe Sexton, Ciaran Sheils, Colm Sheils, Donnacha Tully, Eoin Tully, Chloe Wall, Eabha Wynne.
- Day of Adoration:** It is hoped to have a Day of Adoration in Laragh Church on Tuesday 22nd May to pray for Spiritual Guidance in the upcoming referendum. There is a sheet at the back of the church where people can pledge to spend one hour or some time in adoration on that day. Please enter your name for one hour from 7am – 7pm.
- First Holy Communion:** 6 children from St. Michael's NS Clifferna, will receive their First Holy Communion next Saturday at 11.30am.
- Recent Baptism:** The Christian Community welcomes with joy Baby Liv Mary Cooney, Clifferna who was baptised in St. Michael's Church Clifferna.
- Wedding Bells:** Congratulations to Aisling Brady, Drumnagar and Daniel Sheridan, Mullahoran, who were married in The Basilica of San Silvestro, Rome on Monday.
- Pilgrimage to Knock:** Sunday 17th June 2018. Bookings to 049 4330281 or 042 9660463.
- Pentecost Sunday:** Celebration of Pentecost in The Cathedral of St. Patrick & Felim, Cavan on Sunday 20th May at 3pm. Praise and worship; 4pm Holy Mass with individual blessing. Tea and refreshment afterwards. All welcome.
- Would you like to be part of the choir for the Papal Mass in the Phoenix Park on Sunday 26 August 2018?** The Diocese of Kilmore has been allocated 74 places in the choir that will lead the congregational singing during the Mass with Pope Francis in August. 23 sopranos, 23 altos, 14 tenors and 14 bass from across the diocese are required. All prospective choir members must be aged 18 years+ and will be subject to Garda Vetting as part of the registration process. There is nothing to stop choirs travelling to the Phoenix Park as part of a parish pilgrimage and singing from their assigned places in the designated sections. As many of the 74 choir members as possible will also be asked to join the choir for the 4:30p.m. Mass in Dublin's RDS on Thursday 23 August during the World Meeting of Families Pastoral Congress. The closing date for receipt of applications is 12 noon on Friday 18 May 2018. To register interest or for more information, please contact Seán Coll in the Diocesan Pastoral Centre by telephoning 049 4375004 or by email to pastoralcentre@kilmorediocese.ie