

# Laragh Parish Newsletter



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**16<sup>th</sup> February 2020 – 6<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time**

## Law and the Willow Tree

Scientists were astonished to discover that willow trees have the ability to behave in a way that benefits not only themselves but the whole species. It turns out that, when the trees are attacked by caterpillars, they warn neighbouring willow trees by emitting a chemical signal that travels up to two hundred feet on the wind. This enables distant trees to protect themselves from attack by producing phenol in their leaves, a chemical that caterpillars find extremely distasteful. We are a higher species than willow trees but we find it difficult to match them. The difference is that they act according to their nature whereas we, in our freedom, have to discover how best to act for our own good and the good of others. The commandments of the law are there to help us in our weakness. Our task is not one of slavish obedience to external rules and regulations. Our task is to discover the wisdom they embody and practise it. Only by doing so will our passions be channeled in ways that do not destroy ourselves and others.

**10. Iron Maiden's Ladies Golf Society:** Ladies, we commence our year of golf on Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> February on the Par 3 in the Slieve Russell. Along with our current members, we and our Captain Geraldine Rahill extend a welcome to all new or returning golf ladies who would like to join us on the day. IMGs will also run practice/beginners golf sessions on the first Saturday morning of every month on the Par 3 in Cornafan commencing on 7<sup>th</sup> March to encourage new or returning golf members. For more details on either of the above options, please contact Chairperson Jackie McKenna 087 8379123 or Captain Geraldine Rahill 085 8567580.

### 11. Laragh United GFC:

- **Lotto Results:** No jackpot winner. Numbers were 1, 14, 16, 28. €30 winners were Aideen & Aoife Coyle, Geraldine Brady, Eileen Conaty, Marianne Cahill, David McCarney. Next week's jackpot €14,600.
- **Light Up Laragh:** As part of Operation Transformation, Laragh United are lighting up PJ Duke Park on Thursday evenings from 7pm – 9pm. Everyone welcome to come along to walk, jog or run.
- **Couch to 5k** for all club members starts on Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> February at 8pm. Cost is €30 for an 8 week program. Suitable for all ages. Any questions contact Gary on (087) 412 0732.

**12. Annual Table Quiz:** in Burrowes Hall Stradone on Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> March at 8.45pm. Tables of 4 cost €24. Always a fun night, supper served. Loads of spot prizes on the night.

### 13. East Cavan PTAA Upcoming Events:

- **Quiz** in Crosserlough Hall on 22<sup>nd</sup> February at 8.30pm
- **Walk** in Drumkilly, on Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> February at 2pm.

**14. Learn to Jive:** with Craig Lovett & Mairéad Gaffney. Five week course commencing Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> February at 8.30pm in Gallonray House, Maudabawn. No Partner needed. Contact 086 1928568 for further details.

**15. Ladies' Night:** A fun night out for ladies of all ages including a fashion show, demonstrations on skincare, make-up, colour analysis and numerous stalls will take place on Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> February at 7pm in The Bailie Hotel, Bailieborough. Raffle on the night with luxury prizes. Complimentary glass of prosecco, finger-food, prize for "best dressed lady" and lots, lots more!! Featuring "Off the Rack", "Niall Mc Caul drapery" and more. Free entry to disco afterwards. All proceeds in aid of developing an Astro-turf pitch for Tunnyduff NS, a much-needed sporting facility. Tickets cost €30, available at the Bailie Hotel or by contacting Jennifer Clarke at 087 9922291.

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### Your prayers are requested for the soul of the late:

- **Gretta Mulligan (nee Lynch), London and late of Tievenanass**, whose funeral will take place in London. We extend our sympathy to her brother Joe and Martin and entire family circle.

**GENERAL NOTICES**

**ST. BRIGID’S CHURCH LARAGH**

**Masses this week:**

Sun 16 <sup>th</sup> Feb	11.00 am	Owen & Kathleen O’ Reilly, Edergole A/V
Tue 18 <sup>th</sup>	7.45 pm	Ben & Monica Smith, Tullyinchin A/V
Wed 19 <sup>th</sup>	10.30 am	For the People of the Parish
Thur 20 <sup>th</sup>	10.30 am	As Requested
Fri 21 <sup>st</sup>	7.45 pm	Dec mbrs of Laragh Athletic Club
Sun 23 <sup>rd</sup>	11.00 am	Dec mbrs of The McAdams Family, Caulfield A/V

**Eucharistic Adoration:** On Tuesday from 5pm – 7.45pm

**Servers for Next Week**

**Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> February:** Killian, Elisha, Lucy, Finn, Kayla G, Paul

**ST. PATRICK’S CHURCH CARRICKALLEN**

**Masses this week:**

Sat 15 <sup>th</sup> Feb	7.30 pm	Michael & Maria Lee, Knockateggart A/V
Sat 22 <sup>nd</sup>	7.30 pm	Teresa Higgins, Virginia & Carrickacromin A/V

**ST. MICHAEL’S CHURCH CLIFFERNA**

**Masses this week:**

Sun 16 <sup>th</sup> Feb	9.30 am	Molly, James, Alice, Maria & Michael Carroll, Greaghagibney A/V
Fri 21 <sup>st</sup>	7.00 pm	Mary Kate Duffy, Clifferna A/V
Sun 23 <sup>rd</sup>	9.30 am	John Clarke, Knockateggart A/V

**Eucharistic Adoration:** On Wednesday from 2pm – 3pm

1. **Visiting Priest:** Next weekend Fr. Tommy Faherty of the Society of African Missions (SMA) will speak at all Masses in the Parish to promote their missionary work. He will leave envelopes in each Church which the congregation can take them home and return with a donation the following weekend. Please give whatever you can.
2. **St. Brigid’s National School Laragh:** is now taking enrolments for the coming year 2020 – 2021. Enrolment forms are available in the school office and at Laragh Playschool.
3. **Recent Baptism:** The Christian Community welcomes with joy Baby Ava Kate Gordon, Killyfassy, who was baptised in St. Michael’s Church, Clifferna on Sunday last.
4. **Wedding Bells:** Congratulations to Caoimhe Brady, Laragh and James Tierney, Lavey, who were married in St. Brigid’s Church, Laragh, yesterday.
5. **Stations of the Cross:** The season of Lent begins on Ash Wednesday, 26<sup>th</sup> February. Why not chose something during Lent that will help you prepare for Easter? Every Thursday evening at 7.30pm, we will have the Stations of the Cross in Laragh Church. Please come, if you can.
6. **Trocaire:** wishes to thank all who donated to their Lenten Appeal in 2019. A total of €210,573.00 was raised by our Diocese during Lent. They are very grateful to the kindness and generosity of the people and priests from all the parishes in the diocese of Kilmore. We look forward to your continued support and generosity.
7. **Kilmore Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes led by Fr Liam Kelly:** 29<sup>th</sup> May – 3<sup>rd</sup> June. For details of the Official Sick/Assisted section of the pilgrimage, please contact Fr Tom Mannion on 071 9643014 or 087 9170879, email [cavanparish@gmail.com](mailto:cavanparish@gmail.com). For inquiries and bookings please contact Cavan Travel Ltd, Main Street, Cavan 049 4361222 or Virginia Travel, Main Street, Virginia 049 8548544.
8. **Backpack Adult Course:** Following on from the success of last year The Backpack Program for adults will be offered again as an evening course in Cavan Institute for 8 weeks beginning the end of February. This course is suitable for anyone who wants to learn more about boundaries, self awareness, anxiety management and a deeper relationship with God. For more information contact us at [thebackpackprogram.life@gmail.com](mailto:thebackpackprogram.life@gmail.com) or 083 487 7325.
9. **Laragh Variety Show:** Takes place from Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> – Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> April for 4 nights commencing at 9pm in Stradone Community Centre. We welcome any businesses to advertise their business at a cost of €50 for the 4 nights. For more information, please contact Fionnuala on 086 0657274.