



## Second Sunday of Easter. Today is Divine Mercy Sunday, the Feast of Mercy!



**Shalom** : We do not come through suffering and difficult times unscarred. We are changed by them. Often it brings some sort of growth into our lives and usually it is not a pleasant experience. We only have to think of the past year of lockdowns and isolation and fear.

In Pope Francis' new book, *Let us Dream*, he says 'To enter into crisis is to be sifted. Your categories and ways of thinking get shaken up; your priorities and lifestyles are challenged. You cross a threshold, either by your own choice or by necessity, because there are crises, like the one we are going through, that you can't avoid.' Today's Gospel shows us that even the most

difficult situations can be transformed. The Risen Christ stands amongst the disciples even though the doors were firmly closed. The peace that he gives them (*Shalom*) is a peace of body, of mind and of spirit and it moves the disciples from despair and being 'locked away' to 'rejoicing'. Jesus then asks the disciples to be an unending witness to God's love. They, and we, are invited to be for others what Jesus has been for them. The Risen Jesus is active in all our lives and in the world around us, but we must be careful not to close ourselves off or let fear take over. John tells us that he writes these things so that we may come to believe and have life. Our call is to bring this peace and joy to others, 'so I send you'. Who can you reach out to today? **The Deep End** Jane Mellett mellettj@gmail.com

**Week-end Masses** : Ballyfarnon 7p.m. Arigna 10a.m. and Keadue 11.30am. All Masses on line at Kilronan Parish and on Local Radio FM108

**Weekday Masses 10a.m.**; Monday, Keadue, Tuesday & Wednesday, Arigna; Thursday & Friday, Ballyfarnon  
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**St. Ronan's Lotto:** There was no winner of the lotto jackpot when the draw was held at the weekend. The numbers drawn were 1,6,20 and 23. Consolation prizes were won by the following €70 Mary Cox, Keadue, €30 Gerry Mc Cabe, Drumboylan, €20 Padraig Bruen, Keadue, €20 Ann Tobin, Ballyfarnon, €20 Ray & Fiona Lynam, Ballyfarnon. The jackpot next week will be €2,500 and the draw will be held on Sunday evening. Our lotto tickets are now available online. Visit [www.stronansгаа.com](http://www.stronansгаа.com) or St. Ronan's GAA Club Facebook page for further information.

Thanks to all who have generously contributed to the various Church collections in these strange times.

**Kilronan Priests Dues:** €4,460.00.  
**Offertory Collections 2021.** Arigna €4,504.00.  
Ballyfarnon €2,751.50. Keadue.€4,516.00.

### Anniversary Masses Arigna

**Sun. 11th** Jim & Mary Ellen Ward.  
Packie & Rose Ann Leyden  
& Seamus Duignan.  
Mary McPartland, Patsy Finnegan &  
Margaret Keaveney &  
D.M. of the McPartland family.

**Sun. 18th** Joe Flynn, Lower Rover.

### Anniversary Masses Keadue

**Sun. 11th.** Michael & Mary Healy.  
Vera & John Timlin,  
Marie & Michael McKiernan.  
& Dettie Cox.

**Sun.18th** Maisie & John Dempsey.

### Anniversary Mass Ballyfarnon

**Sat. 17th 7p.m.** Months Mind Mass: Brendan McManus.