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# Kilronan Parish Newsletter

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*Have a heart that never hardens,  
and a temper that never tires,  
and a touch that never hurts.*  
Charles Dickens.

## Mission Sunday



Pope Francis in his message for World Mission Day 2015 has this to say:  
"Every baptized person is called to bear witness to the Lord Jesus by  
proclaiming the faith received as a gift".

Christ has no body now on earth but yours, no hands but yours, no feet but yours. Yours are the eyes through which Christ's compassion is to look out to the world. Yours are the feet by which he is to go about doing good. And yours are the hands by which he is to bless us now. St Teresa of Avila.

### Anniversary Masses, Keadue

**Sat 17th** Francis Bruen & D.M. F.

**Sun. 18th** Leo O'Dowd

**Sat. 24th** "Do this in Memory Mass".

**Sun. 25th** Mai McManus; Months Mind

### Anniversary Masses, Arigna

**Sun. 18th** Rose Ann Leydon; Months Mind

**Sun. 25th** Hannah McManus.

**Weekday Masses:** Ballyfarnon; Thursday and Friday. **Saturday Vigil Masses:** Keadue; 7p.m. Ballyfarnon; 8.30p.m. **Sunday Masses:** Arigna; 10.30p.m and Keadue; 12 noon. **Confessions** after the Vigil Masses.

**Kilronan Parish Mission** takes place from Sunday **November 8th** to Sunday **November 15th**. There will be daily Masses Monday to Friday inclusive. In Arigna at 7a.m. and 10.00a.m. Keadue 7a.m and Ballyfarnon 10a.m. The Redemptorist Team of Fr. Brendan Keane CSsR, Fr. John Doherty CSsR and Ms. Sara Kenwright will conduct an evening Mission without Mass at 7.30p.m, Themes each evening; Keadue Monday **Touching the Scriptures**. Tuesday **Healing**. Wednesday, Arigna **Reconciliation** 7.30p.m. Thursday Keadue **Gifts of Service**. Friday 13th Keadue **Our beloved Dead**. Sat 14th **Mass of the sick** Arigna 11a.m and **Youth Night** Keadue 7.30p.m. Sunday 15th **Blessing of Babies and young children and Closing of Mission** in Keadue at 12 noon.

**Choir Practice** for Parish Mission, Keadue Church, Tuesday October 20th from 9 - 10 p.m. New members welcome

**The process of Electing new Boards of Management** for the next five in the four schools of the parish has begun. Both parents/guardians are asked to nominate two parents representatives ( a man and a woman.) to the Board of Management of the school where their child attends.

**St. Patrick's Ballyfarnon Church** is due to re-open on this Saturday night. The plaster has been removed from a large section of the Church to investigate where the dampness is coming from. The church will be re-plastered with a sand and lime mix in a few weeks time and the Altar and Tabernacle will be reinstated.

**Ballyfarnon:** Minister of Holy Communion: Sat 24th. Nuala McNamara. Reader: Sat 24th Liz Travers. Altar Society: Mary Gunning & Sharon Duggan. Collectors: Gerry Travers and Tony McDonagh. Church Grounds: Gerry Travers, Declan Killoran. Offertory Collection: **€305**.

### Anniversary Masses Ballyfarnon

**Sat. 17th** Cian Costello

Dympna Killoran

**Sat. 24th** Michael Lenehan; Months Mind

### Rest in Peace †

Jim McCormack, Carrowbeag & London.

**Arigna:** Minister of Holy Communion: Sun 25th. Kevin Wynne, Reader: Sun 25th. Maureen Guihen, Altar Society: Margaret McPadden, Mary Guihen, Dettie McNiff. Offertory Collection: €670.

**Keadue:** Ministers of Holy Communion: Sat 24th. Paul Kelly. Sun. 25th. Brendan Kelly Readers: Sat. 24th. Sinead Irwin, Sun. 25th. Paul Kelly. Collectors: Sat 24th Paul Kelly, Sun. 25th Tommy Daly. Altar Society: Una O'Donnell, Mary Guihen, Liz McCabe, Mary Kelly. Church Grounds: The Noone Family. Offertory: €560.

**Bonus Ball Bash:** Last week's winners of €45 each were Aimee Bruen & Berna Gibbons. To win €45 get your €2 entry at The Harp & Shamrock or O'Donnell's.

**St. Ronan's Lotto:** There was no winner of the Lotto Jackpot when the draw was held last weekend. The numbers drawn were 1, 3, 8, 27. Consolation prizes winners were: €70 Conor Tighe, Geevagh. €30 Julie Kilbride, Drumkeeran. €15each Maura Prior, Keadue. Noeline Heslin, Geevagh. Marie Shivnan/Tommy Cull, Ballyfarnon. The jackpot this week will be €5,100 and the draw will be held in Saddler's.

**Kilronan Community Playschool, Ballyfarnon** are holding a Halloween Camp during mid-term break from Tuesday, 27th October to Friday 30<sup>th</sup> October each morning from 9am to 12:30pm. The camp will accommodate children from playschool age up to 2<sup>nd</sup> Class age. For any further queries and to avoid disappointment please contact Mairead @ (086) 1263941 to reserve a place .

**Friends of St. Patrick's Hospital** Carrick on Shannon are holding an emergency public meeting to halt the downgrading of services at the hospital on Monday next 19th October at 7pm in The Bush Hotel. All public representatives have been invited. Please come and support your elderly family and friends who depend on these services.

**Evening Classes.** Drumshanbo VS are running the following classes this Autumn, subject to demand - Reflexology, Conversational Spanish, Irish Sign Language, Singing for Pleasure and Cake Decorating. To book a place or for more details telephone 071 9640440.

**History of early Christianity:** A series of three talks on the history of early Christianity from a different perspective, will be presented by Alf Monaghan in Galilee Community, Boyle on Tuesdays, 20th & 27th. at - 8pm each night.

**Takes a while to sink in doesn't it?** Jackie Pallas, Journalist Charlie Bird and myself Sally McEllistrim visited the Philippines and South Korea. We have all seen some sights over our lives but none of us could really get our heads around the idea of people living in a cemetery. Almost 2,000 people are born, live and die amongst the grey tombs. They have nowhere else to go. They scratch out a living looking after the tombs and are particularly busy during November, the month of the Holy Souls. Just one public toilet caters for all these living souls, they have no running water; they have no electricity. They are not on any tourist guide; they are invisible to most people, most of them don't even have a birth certificate. It is a shocking indictment of their society to think that they are only acceptable to the dead.

They have hope however and that hope comes from two Korean Columban Sisters, Sr Julie and Sr. Bella. An Irish Columban Missionary in Seoul gave this summary of missionary work. He said "Missionary work is like shovelling light into a dark hole".