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# Kilronan Parish Newsletter

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Faith is to believe what you do not see; the reward for this faith is to see what you believe St Augustine.

## The third Sunday of Advent.



It amazes me how well God knows the human heart. So many of us walk through our day holding in the prison of our hearts a past hurt or anger. These "prisoners" eat away at our ability to love and forgive. Sometimes we feed them with our thoughts of revenge and hatred. But God sees this and invites us with tender compassion to set our prisoners free.

God gives us the key to unlock the prisons our hearts have built. When we can accept God's love and compassion for us, we can be free; then we can be among those who proclaim the Lord's favour.

**Anniversary Masses Ballyfarnon**  
**Sat. 16th** Vincent Gilhooley & D.M.F

**Anniversary Masses Keadue**  
**Sat. 16th** Brendan & Vera Lynch & D.M.F.  
**Sun. 24th** Hugh & Mary Guihen  
Peggy Leydon & Mary Guihen

**Anniversary Masses Arigna**  
**Sun. 17th** Michael McPartlan  
Mary B, James & Michael Earley  
& Tom McGrail  
Josie Leydon, Derrynagallion.  
Rose Ann Mulhern.

**Sun. 24th** Declan Foy  
**Mon 25th** Philomena Wynne.

**Weekday Masses; 10a.m.:** Monday, Keadue; Tuesday & Wednesday, Arigna, Thursday & Friday, Ballyfarnon. **Vigil Masses:** Saturday Keadue 7pm & Ballyfarnon 8.30pm.  
**Sunday Masses:** Arigna 10.30am and Keadue 12noon. **Confessions** after Vigil Masses.

**Christmas Masses and Confession Kilronan Parish**  
**Christmas Eve Masses: Ballyfarnon 8p.m and Keadue 10.30p.m**  
**Christmas Day: Arigna 10.30a.m. and Keadue 12. noon.**  
**Confession Monday 18th at 7.30p.m. in Keadue**

**Do This in Memory Programme** Sunday 24th December in Keadue at 12noon Mass.



**Congratulation** and best wishes to Beatrice Healy, Toureen, and Diarmuid Carew, Beaumont, who were married in Keadue Church on Saturday 15th December.

**Arigna:** Minister of Holy Communion: Sun 24th. Sean Guihen, Margaret McPadden, Reader: Sun. 24th Aoife Duignan. Altar Society: Amanda McPartland, Grace McPartland, Offertory Collection, €545.00.

## Rest in Peace †

Roderick Morton, Glenageary, Dublin,  
father of Karena O'Connor, Annagh, Keadue

**Ballyfarnon:** Minister of Holy Communion: Sat 23rd Teresa Shivnan. Reader: Sat 23rd. Margaret Killoran. Altar Society: Mary Shivnan, Ann Healy. Collectors: Peter Kerrigan, P.J. Healy. Grounds: Ben Costello, Tony McDonagh. Offertory Collection, €475.00.

**Keadue:** Ministers of Holy Communion: Sat 23rd Moira Doyle. Sun 24th. Rosaleen Boyle. Readers: Sat. 23rd. Sinead Irwin, Sun. 24th. Paul Kelly. Collectors: Sat. 23rd. Moira Doyle. Sun. 24th. Brendan Kelly. Altar Society: Kathleen Martin, Frances Gaffney, Mary Quinn, Carmel Benson, Phyllis Quinn. Grounds: Vincent McCabe, Sean McMorrow. Offertory Collection, €620.00

**Outside Collection** in aid of Epilepsy Ireland, Saturday 16th & Sunday 17th December.

**St. Ronan's Lotto:** There was no winner of the lotto jackpot when the draw was held last weekend. The numbers drawn were 13, 14, 26 and 29. Consolation prizes were won by the following €70 Cinders & Mary, Shivnans, €30 Terry Fitzpatrick, c/o Killorans, €15 each Jim & Rose Casey, Keadue, Connie McKenna, Arigna, Niamh Reynolds, Cootehall. The jackpot this week will be €5,200 and the draw will be held in The Miners' Roddy's.

**Bonus Ball Bash:** Last week's winners of €45 each were Mary Roddy & Phil Joe/Mary Guihen. Get your €2 entry at The Harp & Shamrock or O'Donnells / O'Carolan Bar

**Keadue Sportsfield** are holding a 8 km fun run/ walk on St. Stephen's Day. Registration at 11.30 am in St.Ronan's Hall Keadue. Run/Walk commencing at 12 noon.

**Kilronan Operation Transformation** – with 2018 less than one month away are you already thinking of new goals to set for yourself? Do you want to improve your fitness levels and weight loss with the support and encouragement of others whilst having fun? Keadue Sportsfield are forming a local Operation Transformation group with the backing of Roscommon Sports Partnership to run over a 6 week period starting early January. For further information or to register your interest please call Colm 087 9531464 or Dawn 087 7907886

## Advent Safeguarding Message 2017 (From Bishop Francis Duffy)

As we approach Christmas we remember that Jesus Christ was born into a family; he was a son. He was brought up by Mary and Joseph and by his wider family and local community. Scripture records his connections with family and friends. Mary and Joseph looked after their son; they protected and kept him safe at a time when there were many threats. In our time, as a Church community, we look after and protect our young people and adults at risk.

I thank our Parish Safeguarding Representatives and our Priests for their valuable work in ensuring the safety of children and adults at risk in our Church related activities.

I encourage anyone with concerns regarding the safety of children or anyone who suffered in the past to contact our Designated Liaison Person, Sean Leydon (087-7431649) or our Deputy Designated Liaison Person, Róisín O'Doherty (087-3327587).

**Santa in Drumboylan** Santa will visit Drumboylan this Sunday 17th December. He plans to arrive at Drumboylan Hall at 3p.m. There will be music and a raffle on the day.