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# Kilronan Parish Newsletter

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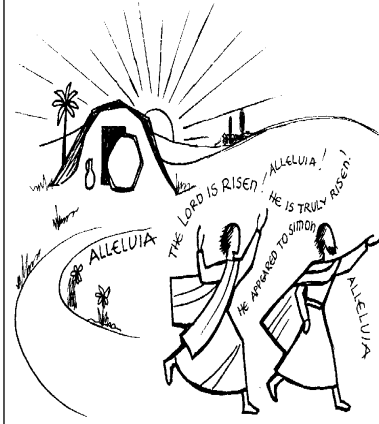
'Jesus you are with us. Keep us ever mindful of how you are a part of our lives in a deep and profound way. Surprise us with a touch of your love in places where we never thought that we would find you.' *Joyce Rupp*

## Easter Sunday.

In John's gospel, the first of us to be transformed in death is Jesus. Throughout Gethsemane, his imprisonment, his questioning, his torture, his crucifixion, even as his world crashes down around him, Jesus is able to stand alone, confident, and unafraid. He is, in a word, willing, declaring in his final words, "It is finished!"

Jesus' disciples are another matter; thoroughly confused, they scatter and even deny knowing Jesus. Nothing could be more shattering than losing your friend, your teacher, your saviour! Hiding behind closed shutters, trying to sort out what's next for them, Mary of Magdala's news of the empty tomb is the first glimmer of light in their darkness.

It will take time to understand that Jesus has already freed them from what they most feared. Helping each other, Jesus' friends will recognize the Lord—right there in their midst! It will take time and grace to nurture our own glimpses of the risen Lord and to embrace our freedom.



### Anniversary Masses Arigna

Sun. 8th Johnny Gaffney

Mary, Pat & Breege McPartland.

### Easter Sunday Masses: Ballyfarnon 9a.m.

Arigna 10.30a.m. & Keadue 12noon

**Weekday Masses;** 10a.m.: Monday, Keadue; Friday, Ballyfarnon.

**Vigil Masses:** Saturday Keadue 7pm & Ballyfarnon 8.30pm.

**Sunday Masses:** Arigna 10.30am and Keadue 12noon.

**Keadue:** Ministers of Holy Communion: Sat 7th Paul Kelly. Sun 8th. Margaret Kelly. Readers: Sat. 7th Berna Gibbons, Sun. 8th Geraldine Keaveney. Collectors: Sat. 7th. Margaret Kelly. Sun. 8th. Colm O'Donnell. Altar Society Margaret Grimes, Josephine Leydon, Mollie Guihen, Dolores Matthews. Grounds: Paul Kelly Arthur Boyle. Offertory Collection, €420.00.

**Ballyfarnon:** Minister of Holy Communion: Sat 7th Veronica Sheeran. Readers: Sat 7th. Hannah Martin. Altar Society: Maureen Cooney, Áine Cooney. Collectors: Peter Kerrigan, P.J. Healy. Grounds: Patsy McTiernan, Bobby Lowe. Offertory Collection, €365.00

**Arigna:** Minister of Holy Communion: Sun 8th. Sean Guihen, Margaret McPadden, Reader: Sun. 8th Brian Flannery. Altar Society: Margaret McPadden, Mary Guihen, Offertory Collection, €365.00

**St. Ronan's Lotto:** There was no winner of the lotto jackpot when the draw was held last weekend. The numbers drawn were 4,5,15 and 23. Consolation prizes were won by the following €70 Geraldine McMorrow, Fostra, €30 Seamus Faughnan, Arigna, €15 each Tommy Daly, Keadue, Kathleen Adams, Geevagh, Kathleen Gaffney, Ballyfarnon. The jackpot this week will be €6,700 and the draw will be held in Saddler's.

**Bonus Ball Bash:** Last week's winner of €45 each was Martin Roddy. Get your €2 entry at The Harp & Shamrock or O'Donnell's / O'Carolan Bar

**MS Ireland Church Collection** on this weekend 31st March / 1st April, in Ballyfarnon and next weekend 7th / 8th April in Keadue and Arigna. This collection is necessary to ensure M.S. Ireland can continue the voluntary work which began forty years ago in this area."

"**Life is both Sacred and a Human Right**" is a pastoral letter by Bishop Francis Duffy. It deals with the proposal to remove the Eight Amendment to the Constitution of Ireland (Article 40.3.3). Please take a copy home with you to read or to share with others. The pastoral letter is available in each of the Churches. Thank you.

**Parish Accounts for 2017** are available in all the Churches. Thanks to all who have contributed so generously to the various collection during 2017.

**Strabraggan N.S. Parents Association** will hold a table quiz on Friday, April 13th at 9pm in The Miner's Bar, Arigna. Raffle and spot prizes on the night. Tables of 4 €20. Please come along for what will be a great night.

**St. Vincent de Paul Shop,** Ozanam House, Carrick-on-Shannon (Beside Kelly's Food store) Urgently appeal for good quality clan clothes, bedclothes and bric-a-brac. Your generosity enables us to alleviate the hardships of others in the community. Open 11a.m. – 2p.m. on Mondays and on Tuesdays to Fridays from 11a.m to 5p.m. Thank you in anticipation.

**Ballyfarnon Tidy Towns Meeting** on Thursday 5th April at 8pm in the Community Centre Ballyfarnon. Do join in and participate in enhancing the village. Plan for the 2018 Tidy Towns Entry, National Spring Clean Up, and plan to implement the "Get Communities Buzzing"

### Kilronan Community Games Swimming Results.

U8 Girls 1st Croia McGuinness. U8 Boys 1st Donnacha Rynn

U10 Girls Freestyle & Backstroke 1st Emily Quinn, 2nd Clodagh Healy

U10 Boys Freestyle & Backstroke 1st Sean McGuinness

U12 Girls Freestyle, Breaststroke & Backstroke 1st Grace Quinn, 2nd Mir Galton, 3rd

Aoife Healy. U12 Boys Freestyle, Breaststroke & Backstroke 1st Eoghan Rynn

U14 Boys Freestyle, Breaststroke, Backstroke, Butterfly 1st Cormac Rynn

U16 Girls Freestyle, Butterfly 1st Aoibhe Rynn. 1st & 2nd place go forward to Swimming County Finals in Roscommon, please contact Fiona to confirm which stroke.

**Kilronan Solo Singing & Solo Music Competition** take place Wednesday 4th April in Arigna Enterprise Centre, Registration from 7.15pm. Events U12 and U16

**Our Athletics Day** is Planned for Saturday 14th April at 5pm in Kilronan Park, Ballyfarnon, Entries will be done through the Schools next week or by adding onto the WhatsApp Group.

**Keadue CCE:** Best wishes to all our members competing in Fleadh Cheoil Ros Comain this weekend in Castlecoote. See the timetable and other details on our facebook page.

**Trad Music Session** Thursday 5th of April at 9pm in Roddy's Bar, Keadue. All welcome.