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Kilronan Parish Newsletter

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Stop the habit of wishful
thinking and start the habit
of thoughtful wishes.
Mary Martin .

First Sunday of Advent



Each year at this time we are asked to remember and prepare. Advent is a time to reflect upon the great and marvellous coming of Jesus into our lives. It is a time when we remember the promise our God has made to us. We remember promises that tell us of the coming of Jesus by the yes of a young peasant woman. Promises of his coming again to judge how we have loved.

Anniversary Masses Ballyfarnon

Sat. 1st John & Eleanor Killoran.

Sat. 8th Vincent Gilhooly & D.M.F.

Anniversary Masses Arigna

Sun. 2nd John & Margaret Guihen
Michael & Mary Guihen (Knockadryan)

Sat. 8th Bridie & John Glynn

Sun. 9th Charles O'Loughlin


Martin McPadden

Philomena Wynne & D.M.F.



Congratulations and best wishes to Padraig O Máirtín, Dingle and Treacy Brady, Cavan who were married in Keadue Church on Saturday 24th November and also to Eoin Smith, Athboy and Marie McGarrell, Lucan who were married in Keadue Church on Friday 30th November.

Weekday this Masses, 10.am. Monday, Keadue. Tuesday & Wednesday, Arigna. Thursday: Ballyfarnon. **Saturday next 8th December is the Feast of The immaculate Conception of Our Lady.** Vigil Mass Friday evening at 7p.m. in Keadue; Saturday 8th in Arigna at 10a.m.; Ballyfarnon on Saturday at 7p.m. **Sunday Masses:** Arigna 10.00a.m. & Keadue 11.30a.m. Confessions after the vigil Mass or on request.

 James Martin Monaghan, son of Fintan and Theresa, Keadue, & Isobel Daly, daughter of Mark and Sarah, Kilronan were welcomed into the Christian Community recently.

Parish Choir Practice for Christmas on Monday night from 9 to 10 p.m. All singers and musicians welcome.

First Friday Communion Calls on Thursday 6th at the usual times.

Kilronan Parish Eucharistic Adoration will take place this Monday in Keadue Church from 9a.m. till 11a.m only. There will be a meeting of all who participate in the weekly adoration before the blessed sacrament in Keadue Church this Monday evening at 7p.m. All involved are asked to attend and New member are welcome.

During the winter months **all churches in the Parish will close each evening at 4p.m.**

Ballyfarnon: Minister of Holy Communion: Sat 8th. Teresa Shivnan. Readers: Sat 8th. Sean Martin. Altar Society: Nuala McNamara, Pauline Flynn. Collectors: Michael McCawley & Eamon Keavney. Grounds: Michael Bruen, Ray Lynam. Offertory Collection, €295.00.

Arigna: Minister of Holy Communion: Sun 9th. Mary Guihen, Maureen Guihen. Reader: Sun. 9th. Rose McGuckian. Altar Society: Amanda McPartland, Grace McPartland. Offertory Collection, €550.00.

Anniversary Masses Keadue

Sun 2nd Maisie & John Dempsey

Mon. 3rd Pro Populo (10.00 a.m.)

Sun. 9th Brendan & Vera Lynch & D.M.F.

Rest in Peace +

Mary Burke, (née Keaveney) Mullaghmore,
formerly Greaghnafarna, Arigna

Keadue: Minister of Holy Communion: Sun 9th. Imelda McCabe. Reader: Sun 9th. Mary/ Colin McCabe. Collector: Sun 9th. Paul Kelly. Altar Society: Margaret Grimes, Josephine Leydon, Mollie Guihen, Dolores Matthews. Grounds: Paul Kelly, Keadue Tidy Towns. Offertory Collection, €595.00

Bonus Ball Bash: Last week's winners of €45 each were Don Parkinson & Amy Bruen. Get your €2 entry at The Harp & Shamrock or O'Donnell's / O'Carolan Bar.

St. Ronan's Lotto: There was no winner of the lotto jackpot when the draw was held at the weekend. The numbers drawn were 3, 5, 6, and 11. Consolation prizes were won by the following €70 Charlene McCauley, Geevagh, €30 Brenda Cull, Arigna, €15 each Jim Joe Meehan, Ballyfarnon, Bea Foy, Arigna, Ann & Shannon Keaveney, Arigna. The jackpot this week will be €10,200 and the draw will be held in Roddy's.

The AGM of Keadue Branch CCE will take place in St. Ronan's Hall, Keadue on Thursday night 6th December 2018 at 8:30pm. All members invited to attend, new members welcome. Membership fees are now due and can be paid on the night.

The Way Forward for Ireland's Pro-Life Movement: A meeting will take place in Hannon's Hotel, Athlone Road, Roscommon Town on Thursday 6th December at 7:30pm, and will feature speakers Kate Lawlor, Paddy Manning, and Michael Dwyer. To learn more about what is planned for the future, and your part in it, please be sure to come along on December 6th. And, please, encourage others who believe in the right to life to come along too.

Scoil Cill Ronain Variety Show will be held in St Ronan's Hall, Keadue on Monday 3rd December at 7pm. Raffle on the night with some great prizes! Everyone welcome!

Fundraising Spinathon in aid of Brother Kevin's Capuchin Day Centre for the Homeless will be held all day Saturday 8th December, Main street, Drumshanbo. Special guest appearance at 1pm of Mr. Seamus O'Rourke, Leitrim Person of the Year Prizes and giveaways on the day. Your support will be appreciated

Strabraggan N.S. are holding a **Carol Service** on Thursday 13th December @ 6.30 pm in Arigna church. Please come along and be part of our Christmas celebrations.

Safeguarding Message for Advent 2018

When he visited us Pope Francis spoke very movingly about the suffering and pain of those who were abused in our Church. "None of us can fail to be moved by the stories of young people who suffered abuse, were robbed of their innocence, were separated from their mothers, and were left scarred by painful memories. This open wound challenges us to be firm and decisive in the pursuit of truth and justice". He complimented the work of our Parish and Diocesan Safeguarding Representatives and our priests and religious who "with the help of the National Board for Safeguarding Children in the Church in Ireland, ... have set in place a stringent set of norms aimed at ensuring the safety of young persons". I thank all who keep these standards to the forefront of our Church activities. I thank you for your vigilance and your commitment to making our Church as safe as possible for children.

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 (087-7057516).