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The future lies before you
like a field of fallen snow,
be careful how you tread on
it for every step will show.



Feast of Mary, The Holy Mother of God

In today's Gospel, Mary stands in contrast to the shepherds who hurried and talked and spread the word and praised God. Of course, there is a time for these things, and the excitement of the shepherds is palpable — they had found their Saviour. No doubt Mary and Joseph shared in their joyful enthusiasm.

But when things quietened down again, we are told that Mary 'treasured all these things and pondered them in her heart'. Mary sets a good example for us, taking time to meditate on all that is happening. As we start a new year afresh, we could do a lot worse than take Mary as our model. In our hectic world, we need to take time to sit quietly, to treasure and ponder, and to allow ourselves to delve deep into the mysteries of life. (From Intercom - Ms. Triona Doherty)

Anniversary Masses, Keadue.

Sat. 31st Breege Bruen & D.M.F.
Sun. 1st Shane Barry & nephew Cian.
Sat. 7th Corney & Maria McGreevy

Anniversary Masses Arigna

Sun. 1st Michael McManus
Fri. 6th Leo Wynne
Sun. 8th Francie Leydon (Derrynagallion)
Kevin & Margaret McLoughlin, Seltannaveeny.
Michael McPartlan
Pat & Brigid Sweeney & D.M.F.
Josephine & Sean Daly.

Mon. 9th Declan Foy, Funeral Mass 12 noon.


Weekday Masses: Monday **no Mass** in Keadue,

Tuesday and Wednesday, 10a.m in Arigna.

Feast of the Epiphany, Holiday of Obligation. Thursday 5th in Keadue 7p.m. Friday 6th Arigna 10.30.a.m. and Ballyfarnon 8.30p.m. **Week-end Masses;** Saturday Vigil Masses; Keadue 7p.m. Ballyfarnon, 8.30p.m. Sunday Arigna 10.30a.m. and Keadue 12noon.

Adoration Before the Blessed Sacrament: There will be no Adoration in Keadue on Monday 2nd January 2017.

First Friday: The Sick and House bound will be visited this Friday 6th.

 **Congratulations and best wishes** to Sinead Wynne, Ballina and Peter Kelly, Cookstown who were married on Thursday 29th December 2016, in Keadue Church.

Keadue: Ministers of Holy Communion: Sat 7th. Sean Martin. Sun 8th. Rosaleen Boyle. Readers: Sat. 7th. Sinead Irwin, Sun. 8th. Paul Kelly. Collectors: Sat. 7th. Margaret Kelly. Sun. 8th. Tom Quinn. Altar Society Una O'Donnell, Mary Guihen, Liz McCabe, Mary Kelly. Grounds: Vincent McCabe, Sean McMorrow. Offertory Collection, €1,195.00

Parish Calendars with Parish events for 2017 are now available in all the churches. Please take a calendar for your home.

Anniversary Masses, Ballyfarnon.

Sat. 31st John Charles Lyons.
Sat. 7th Anna Gaffney, Cashel.

Rest in Peace †

Paddy Foy, Castleconnor,
brother of Kevin Foy, Derreenavoggy.
Declan Foy, Derreenavoggy

Arigna: Minister of Holy Communion: Sun 8th. Tommy Earley, Kevin Wynne, Reader: Sun 8th. Mary Guihen. Altar Society: Mary O'Donovan, Patricia McDermott. Offertory Collection, €1,875.00

Ballyfarnon: Minister of Holy Communion: Sat 7th. Veronica Sheeran. Reader: Sat 7th. Tony McDonagh. Altar Society: Mary Shivnan & Anne Healy. Collectors: Micheál McCawley & Eamonn Keaveney. Grounds: Ben Costello, Tony McDonagh. Offertory Collection, €818.00.



World Meeting of Families: The World Meeting of Families takes place in Ireland from 22nd to 26th August 2018. The theme is "The Gospel of the Family: Joy for the World" In preparation for this world event you are asked to pray the Prayer to the Holy Family which has been written by Pope Francis and which he published in this year's apostolic exhortation *Amoris Laetitia (The Joy of Love)*. Copies of the prayer are available at the back of the church. **Please take home a copy of the prayer.**

St Ronan's Lotto: There was no winner of the lotto jackpot when the draw took place at the weekend. The numbers drawn were 6,12, 21 and 28. Consolation prizes of €100 each were won by the following Brendan McLoughlin, Arigna, Mary Cronin, Ballyfarnon, Conor Turner & Cinders, c/o Shivnan's, Betty Ward, Ballyfarnon and Ciara Reynolds, Ballinaglera. The jackpot this week will be €2,100 and the draw will be held in McRann's

Bonus Ball Bash: Last week's winner of €45 was Lyndsey Mattimoe. Get your €2 entry at The Harp & Shamrock or O'Donnell's

The annual James Keaveny Memorial Cup takes place on New Years Day at 2pm in Kilronan Park Ballyfarnon.

Collection Envelopes are available in Keadue Church for Keadue Area and in Ballyfarnon Church for Ballyfarnon Area. Thanks to Tess and Fergal who distributed the Arigna envelopes. If there is anyone who hasn't received a Box of envelopes and would like to receive them please contact Fr. Cathal 086-2691806.

Keadue Tidy Towns would like to thank all those who supported the Christmas fund raising draw which proved to be a great success. A special thanks to those who put in a big effort in selling tickets. The following are the winners; 1st Una O'Donnell, 2nd Joseph Healy, 3rd Maura McManus, Geevagh, 4th Sarah McManus, 5th Katlyn Bruen.

Yoga classes in Cleen Hall, Knockvicar, recommence after the Christmas break, Tuesday 10th January 7.30pm. New yogis always welcome. For more info call or text Aisling Sharkey 0877538845.

Drumshanbo Enterprise Centre; New Classes Week Starting 16th of January. There are limited places still available for our part-time improvers computer (Information and Communication Technology Skills Class QQI level 4), and our beginners computer course (General Learning Class QQI level 3). These courses are funded by Sligo Mayo Leitrim ETB. For more information or to book a place contact Michael on 0719641577, 087 6177071 or mbruen@drumshanboenterprise.ie