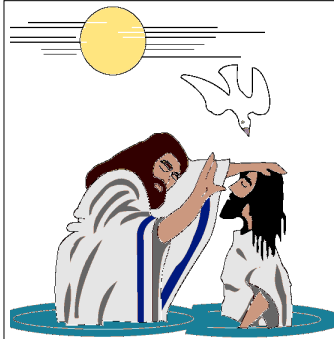




The Baptism of the Lord

Today we celebrate the feast of the Baptism of the Lord, when we witness a unique revelation of the Most Holy Trinity in the voice of the Father identifying Jesus as his beloved Son and in the coming of the Spirit upon Jesus. It is the moment when we can see that Jesus' humanity shares Jesus' divinity: he is the Word Incarnate.

Through our baptism we became daughters and sons of God; our humanity was gifted with a share in Jesus' divinity. Could God, looking at the way we treat one another, say of each of us, "Here is my beloved daughter; here is my beloved son, in whom I am well pleased"?



As followers of Christ we must open the eyes of the blind: instructing, explaining, and evangelizing. We must liberate prisoners from the confinement of their inferiority complexes, their fears, and their physical limitations by lending a helping hand, saying an encouraging word, uttering a prayer.

Anniversary Masses Keadue.

Sat. 11th Molly & Tom Stenson & John Roddy

Sun. 12th: Pro Populo

Sat. 18th Michael McNiff (Altagowlan)

Anniversary Masses Ballyfarnon

Sat. 11th Peter Joe & Elizabeth McDonagh.

Sat. 18th Michael & Mary Meehan

Anniversary Masses Arigna

Sun. 12th Charlie O'Loughlin (Months Mind)

Sun. 19th John Thomas Flynn (Cartron)

Week Day Mass 10a.m.: Keadue, Monday; Arigna, Tuesday & Wednesday; Ballyfarnon, Thursday and Friday. **Vigil, Saturday:** Keadue 7p.m. & Ballyfarnon 8.30p.m. **Sunday:** Arigna 10.30p.m. & Keadue 12 Noon. **Confessions** after the Vigil Masses.



Sacrament of Marriage: Congratulation and best wishes to Catherine Gunning, Drimnagh & Wesley Nolan, Walkinstown, who were married today, Saturday 11th Jan 2014, in Keadue Church.

Arigna: Minister of Holy Communion: Sun 19th Margaret McPadden, Reader: Sun 19th. Kevin Wynne. Altar Society: Mary O'Donovan, Patricia McDermott. Offertory Collection €528.00

Keadue: Ministers of Holy Communion: Sat 18th Paul Kelly, Sun. 19th. Rosaleen Boyle, Readers: Sat. 18th Sinead Irwin, Sun. 19th. Paul Kelly. Collectors: Sat 18th. Phyllis Quinn, Sun. 19th. Colin McCabe, Altar Society: Kelly Family, Carrowbeg. Church Grounds: Patrick McManus, Sean McDonagh. Offertory Collection; €665.00.

Ballyfarnon: Minister of Holy Communion: Sat 18th. Veronica Sheeran. Reader: Sat. 18th John O'Connor. Altar Society: Ann O'Connor, Carmel O'Connor Collectors: Micheal McCawley, Eamon Keaveney. Counters: Teresa Lavin, Suzanne Quigley. Church Grounds: Damian Killoran, Tommy Shivnan. Collection €360.00

Diocesan pilgrimage to Lourdes A permit has been granted for the Annual Collection for the Assisted Pilgrims Fund. The collection will take place in Kilronan Parish on 18/19th January

Bonus Ball Bash: Last week's winners of €45 each were Mary Roddy & Phil Joe & Mary Guihen. To win €45 get your €2 entry at The Harp & Shamrock or O'Donnell's.

Envelopes 2014: Thanks to all who collected their Box of envelopes for 2014 and those who distributed envelopes to homes. There are still some envelopes in Keadue and Ballyfarnon awaiting collection. If you haven't received a box of envelopes for 2014 and would like to receive same contact 086-2691806.

St. Ronan's Lotto: There was no winner of the lotto jackpot when the draw was held last weekend. The numbers drawn were 5, 6, 8, 22. Consolation prizes were won by the following: €70: Teresa Glynn. Arigna, €30: Patrick Guihen, Arigna, €15each: Claire Lynn, Arigna, Nuala Sheerin, Ballyfarnon, Pauric Cox, Keadue. The jackpot this week will be €11,100 and the draw will be held in Miners' Bar, Arigna.

Reminder: Parishioners who are planning to get married in either Keadue, Arigna or Ballyfarnon Churches in 2014, 2015 and 2016 should make contact as soon as possible. At present there are 36 weddings booked for 2014 and 9 booked for 2015 and none for 2016.

First Holy Communion Dates: Because of the number of weddings that take place each year in the parish, its necessary to fix a date well in advance for First Holy Communion. First Holy Communion will take place in the Parish on the Second Saturday of May each year until further notice. In 2014, First Holy Communion will be in Keadue on 10th May and in 2015 in Ballyfarnon on Saturday 9th May and in 2016 on 14th May

Life

Life is an opportunity - benefit from it
Life is beauty - admire it
Life is bliss - taste it
Life is a dream - realise it
Life is a challenge - meet it
Life is a duty — complete it
Life is a game - play it
Life is costly - care for it
Life is wealth - value it
Life is a mystery - know it
Life is a promise - fulfil it
Life is a sorrow - overcome it
Life is a song - sing it
Life is a struggle - accept it
Life is a tragedy - confront it
Life is an adventure - dare it
Life is luck - make it
Life is precious - do not destroy it
Life is life - fight for it!

Mother Teresa.

Pilates starts this Thursday night 16th for six weeks term in Keadue hall at 9pm. New members are welcome.

St. Ronan's GAA Club: There will be an important club meeting on Wednesday night next in Killoran's at 9.30pm. All members are asked to attend.

Family Search: Kevin McBride is trying to make contact with relation in the Kilronan area. His grandmother was a Catherine Gaffney born in 1885 at Balerno, Edinburgh. Her father was a Malachy Gaffney who came to Scotland between 1871 and 1881, he was born Aug 1847 in Kilronan Parish. His Parents were Martin Malacy Gaffney also known as Lackey and Catherine Gaffney, Nee Ward or Warde. He wishes to contact family members in the Kilronan area, please contact him by email to kevin100mcbride@btinternet.com.

O'Carolan Harp Festival AGM will be held on this Monday night January 13th at 9p.m. It is important that all members of Summer School and Festival attend.