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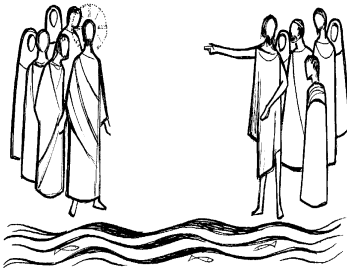
Kilronan Parish Newsletter

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You can't change what's going on around you until you change what's going on within you.



The Second Sunday of Ordinary time.

It is seldom that we hear of a person who has a clear sense of self-worth and self-determination. Today's gospel gives us such an example: John the Baptist. He knows that he himself ranks after Jesus and that his own mission is to prepare his contemporaries. Because John knows the truth, he is free to accept his own dignity and is ready to witness to Jesus' greatness.

There is not a trace of resentment for not being "number one," no shame for not having known him, no desire of holding on to his own position. John is free to see clearly and to testify that Jesus is the one "who will baptize with the Holy Spirit. . . . that he is the Son of God."

Anniversary Masses, Ballyfarnon

Sat. 14th Peter Joe & Elizabeth McDonagh.

Anniversary Masses Arigna

Sun. 15th Bridie & Tom Guihen

Bridget, Tommy & James Tivnan

John T. Flynn, Gerard & baby daughter.

Sun. 22nd Philomena Wynne, Months Mind.

Tues 24th Declan Foy, Months Mind. 7p.m

Weekday Masses: 10a.m. Monday, Keadue; Tuesday & Wednesday, Arigna; Thursday and Friday, Ballyfarnon. **Saturday, Vigil Masses:** Keadue 7pm & Ballyfarnon 8.30pm

Sunday Masses: Arigna at 10.30p.m. and Keadue 12noon. Confessions after Saturday evening Masses.

Adoration Before the Blessed Sacrament: Keadue every Monday from 9a.m. to 8p.m. (except on Bank Holiday Mondays.)

The Do this in memory Programme takes place next Sunday 22nd at 12 noon Mass in Keadue. Also there will be an **enrolment ceremony** for the girls and boys who will be receiving the sacrament of Confirmation on 3rd March 2017. The retreat in preparation for Confirmation will take place in Knock 15th February,.

Meeting of Parish Pastoral Council on Tuesday 24th January 2017 at 9.00pm in the Parochial House.

Meeting of Kilronan Parish Finance Committee on Wednesday 25th January 2017 at 8.30p.m. in the Parochial House.

Keadue: Ministers of Holy Communion: Sat 21st. Moira Doyle. Sun 22nd. Brendan Kelly. Readers: Sat. 21st. Bill/Joan Connolly, Sun. 22nd. Mary/Colin McCabe. Collectors: Sat. 21st. Moira Doyle. Sun. 22nd. Brenda Kelly. Altar Society Una O'Donnell, Mary Guihen, Liz McCabe, Mary Kelly. Grounds: Patrick McManus, Sean McDonagh. Offertory Collections, Holyday & Sunday €960.00

Anniversary Masses, Keadue.

Sat. 14th Michael McNiff & D.M.F.

Sun. 15th For the people of the parish

Sat. 21st Corney & Maria McGreevy

Florence & Joseph Spelman, Bodorragha

Sun. 22nd Mary, Teresa, Philomena & Dyna Gaffney

Arigna: Minister of Holy Communion: Sun 22nd. Sean Guihen, Margaret McPadden, Reader: Sun 22nd. Linda Gallagher. Altar Society: Mary O'Donovan, Patricia McDermott. Offertory Collection, Holyday & Sunday €1,125.00

Ballyfarnon: Minister of Holy Communion: Sat 21st. Teresa Shivnan. Reader: Sat 21st Teresa Shivnan. Altar Society: Mary Shivnan & Anne Healy. Collectors: Micheál McCawley & Eamonn Keaveney. Grounds: Ben Costello, Tony McDonagh. Offertory Collection Holyday and Sunday, €530.00

St Ronan's Lotto: There was no winner of the lotto jackpot when the draw was held last weekend. The numbers drawn were 5, 8, 16, 21. Consolation prizes were won by the following: €70 Peggy McTiernan, Ballyfarnon. €30 Tony & Ann Killoran, Ballyfarnon. €15 each Kay Cunnane, Geevagh. Geraldine Leddy, Ballinamore. Julieanne Guihen, Drumboylan. The jackpot this week will be €2,300 and the draw will be held in McCabe's

Weddings 2018: if you are planning to get married in 2018 in any of the Churches in the parish, you should book your wedding as soon as possible. There are at present 10 weddings booked for 2018.

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

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

Ballyfarnon, Keadue and Arigna Altar Societies are seeking volunteers. The Altar Society plays a very important role in ensuring that church and the sanctuary areas are in a suitable condition for the celebration of the Eucharist. If we had a few more volunteers for each area, it would lighten the load on the current members who do such marvellous work in the service of the community.

Persons wanted for the Rural Social Scheme for Ballyfarnon. Contact Brenda McDermott Phone number 0906630252 at Roscommon Leader Partnership for more details.

Cystic Fibrosis Association wishes to thank all who contributed to the collection last weekend. The amounts raised were Keadue €172.56 and Arigna €286.98

Thanks The family of the late Declan Foy wish to thank everyone who helped in anyway to comfort us in our sudden tragic loss. We also wish to thank you for your generous donations which will be forwarded to the Kevin Bell Repatriation Trust in Declan's memory