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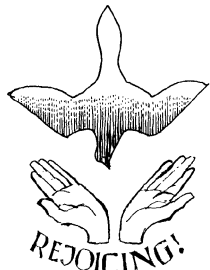
Kilronan Parish Newsletter

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15th December 2013



Worry looks around
Sorry looks back
Faith looks up
Hope looks forward.



The Third Sunday of Advent

The determination of John the Baptist is amazing. He went to the desert to seek the Lord. He fasted on the merest of foods found in nature. He plunged those who would listen into the waters of the Jordan, hoping to prepare Israel for the Messiah. He preached fearlessly.

It was his preaching that got him thrown into prison. Yet from prison he kept searching for the Messiah, asking, "Are you the one?" Let us take strength from John and never allow anything even prison, to keep us from seeking the Lord. Let us seek to find the Messiah, no matter what!

Anniversary Masses Keadue.

Sat. 14th James & Mary Early

Sun. 15th Joseph & Elizabeth Gaffney & Mary,
Teresa & Philomena (Bodorragha)

Sat. 21st Breege Bruen

Sun. 22nd Hugh & Mary Guihen & D.M.F.

Anniversary Masses Arigna

Sun. 15th John & Bridie Glynn

Packie Leydon.

Sun. 22nd Mickey & Josephine Cassidy & DMF

Rest in Peace †

Charles O'Loughlin, Crosshill.

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

Do This in Memory programme: This Sunday in Keadue at 12p.m

Christmas Penitential Service and Confession:

Keadue Church: Thursday 19th Keadue Church 8p.m.

Drumshanbo: Tues. 17th, 7.30p.m.

Carrick-on-Shannon, Wed 18th, 8p.m. A number of priests will be available on each night.

Christmas Masses:

Christmas Eve. Ballyfarnon 8p.m. & Keadue 10.30p.m.

Christmas Day: Arigna 10.30a.m. & Keadue 12p.m.

Christmas Day: Glen Church at 1.00pm. Celebrant Fr Gerry Cryan, Sligo.

Baptism: Cillian Thomas Duggan, son of Des & Sharon, Lurraga, and Rose Mary Mulvihill Lynch, daughter of John & Rose Mary, Crosshill, were welcomed into the Christian Community last week-end.

Choir Practice for Christmas in Keadue Church on Tuesday night 9p.m. New singers welcome.

Keadue: Ministers of Holy Communion: Sat 21st Paul Kelly, Sun. 22nd. Florence Flynn, Readers: Sat. 21st Bill/Joan Connolly, Sun. 22nd. Mary/Colin McCabe. Collectors: Sat 21st. Paul Kelly, Sun. 22nd. Tommy Daly, Altar Society: Catherine Noone, Margaret Grimes, Josephine Leydon, Mollie Guihen. Church Grounds: Peter McNiff. Offertory Collection; €675.00.

Ballyfarnon: Minister of Holy Communion: Sat 21st. Nuala McNamara. Reader: Sat. 21st Julie Corcoran. Altar Society: Mary Gunning & Sharon Duggan. Collectors: Peter Kerrigan & P.J. Healy. Counters: David Flanagan, Mary Flanagan. Church Grounds: Gerry Travers, Declan Killoran. Collection €330.00

Arigna: Minister of Holy Communion: Sun 22nd Tommy Earley, Reader: Sun 22nd. Guihen Family. Altar Society: Bernie Christie, Catherine McManus. Offertory Collection €580.00

St. Ronan's Lotto: There was no winner of the lotto jackpot when the draw was held last weekend. The numbers drawn were 2, 22, 27, 29. Consolation prizes were won by the following: €70: Clement Gaffney, Gowel, €30: Brian McCabe & Family, Keadue, €15each: Vincent McDonagh, Ballyfarnon, Charleen Gallagher, Geevagh, Stephen Flynn, Ballyfarnon. The jackpot this week will be €10,700 and the draw will be held in McRann's Bar, Mount Allen.

Bonus Ball Bash: Last week's winners of €45 each were Colin McCabe x2. To win €45 get your €2 entry at The Harp & Shamrock or O'Donnell's.

Charity Christmas cards, 12 for €6 available in Shops and Shivnan's, Ballyfarnon. All proceeds to Sligo Cancer Support Centre.

The Martina Rynn School of Music are hosting their annual Christmas concert in Kilronan Castle on Monday 16th December at 7p.m. All proceeds go to the patients comfort fund in Arus Carolan nursing home.

Arigna Community Development Fundraising Draw. We are holding a prize draw to gather funds to upgrade the community facilities in Arigna Enterprise Centre. Tickets for the draw are €10 each or three tickets for €20. The draw will take place on Saturday 21st. in The Miners Bar.

St. Ronan's AGM takes place this Sunday evening at 7pm in Keadue Hall. All members are asked to attend and new members will be especially welcome

Strabraggan NS are holding a Christmas Carol Service in Arigna Church on Wednesday the 18th December at 6.30pm. Refreshments will be served afterwards in Arigna Enterprise Centre, and our annual Christmas raffle will take place. We welcome all from the parish and community to come along to our carol service and social evening.

Kilkenny Hurling star Henry Shefflin will visit Ardcarne Park on Wednesday next, the 18th of December 2013 at 12.15 pm. All are welcome.

Arigna Community Development: As a mark of respect on the death of Charlie O'Loughlin, the Fundraising Draw for Arigna Community Development in The Miners Bar, Arigna has been postponed from this Saturday, 14th December to Saturday 21st December.

St Asicus Social Service Centre, Keadue held their Christmas Lunch on Wednesday 11th December, 2013. A big thank you to our patrons who attended and made this a very special event. Sincere thanks to the following who kindly donated spot prizes for our annual raffle: Main sponsor Dave, Arigna Fuels, Joseph Dugdale's, Frank & Ann Healy, Declan Killoran, McRanns Mt Allen, Oliver & Mary McCabe, Union Foods, John Moran. Dolly McGarry, Saxie Fitzmaurice & Peter Brehony. Special thanks to May Baxter, John & Liam for providing wonderful music, and to photographer Willie Donnellan.

Roscommon Social Car Scheme Church Gate Collection on 7/8 December. Raised €732.71. Sincere thanks to the parish's of Kilronan & Ardcarne for their generosity. We would also like to thank those who donated and completed our 5k walk on Sunday 1st December, €205 was raised.

Spread love where ever you go

First of all in your house,

Give love to your children, your wife or husband, to a neighbour.

Let no one come to you without leaving better and happier.

Be the expression of Gods kindness,

Kindness in your face,
Kindness in your eyes,
Kindness in your smile,
Kindness in your warm greeting

Mother Teresa