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Kilronan Parish Newsletter

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The body heals with play.
The mind heals with laughter.
The spirit heals with joy.
Proverbs

Message from Bishop Francis Duffy: Married love is a unique form of love between a man and a woman which has a special benefit for society. The word 'unique' is an attractive word because it means there is something special and impressive about it; what is unique should be cared for and protected. Uniqueness is not about equality but about valuing what is distinct and different; distinguishing does not mean discriminating. Not many are saying 'no' publicly and those that are, risk being ridiculed. Fear of social disapproval can lend itself to poor decision making. It is important to reflect deeply on this issue and vote for what you consider the best option. After the referendum the Church continues to support all people and families with its message of the Good News of Jesus Christ. Further details at www.meaningofmarriage.ie

Anniversary Masses Keadue

Sat. 16th Teresa & Harry Knibb
James & Kathleen McManus
Sun. 17th Mass for the people of
the parish.
Sat. 23rd Joseph & Florrie Spellman,
Bodorragha

Anniversary Masses Arigna

Sun. 17th Mary McManus & D.M.F. (Mount Allen)
Michael Martin & Anne Jane & Michael Rynn
Tom Lavin
Sun. 24th James, Margaret & Mary McPartlan
Patricia Mayo

Anniversary Masses Ballyfarnon

Sat. 16th Andy Lavin
Sat. 23rd Mick and May Gaffney

Week Day Masses 10a.m: Keadue, Monday Arigna, Tuesday and Wednesday, Ballyfarnon, Thursday and Friday. Week-end: Saturday Vigil Masses: Keadue 7p.m., Ballyfarnon 8.30p.m. Sunday: Arigna 10.30p.m and Keadue 12 noon. Confessions after the Vigil Masses.



Congratulations and best wishes to Ruaidri Gallagher, Killargue and Adrienne Winarto, Perth who were married in Arigna Church on 16th May 2015. And also to Brona McGreevy and Paul Regan who were married in the Church of Sancta Andrea Al Quirinale, Rome on 10th April 2015.



Baptism: Katie Jane Keaveney, Keadue, daughter of David and Geraldine was welcomed into the Christian Community on Sunday last.

Meting of the Parish Finance Committee on this Monday evening at 8.30p.m in the Parochial House, Keadue.

Keadue: Ministers of Holy Communion: Sat 23rd. Joan Connolly. Sun. 24th. Rosaleen Boyle. Readers: Sat. 23rd. Chloe McCabe, Sun. 24th. Eileen Barry. Collectors: Sat 23rd Margaret Kelly Sun. 24th Colm O'Donnell. Altar Society: Kelly Family, Carrowbeg. Church Grounds: Vincent McCabe, Sean McMorrow. Offertory Collection €545

Arigna: Minister of Holy Communion: Sun 24th. Margaret McPadden, Reader: Sun 24th. Brian Flannery. Altar Society: Maureen Guihen, Bernadette Duignan. Offertory Collection €1,010

Ballyfarnon: Minister of Holy Communion: Sat 23rd. Tony McDonagh. Reader: Sat. 23rd. John O'Connor. Altar Society: Kathleen Gaffney, Carmel Costello. Collectors: Michael McCawley, Eamon Keaveney. Church Grounds: James Shivnan, Martin Lavin. Offertory Collection €334

St. Ronan's Lotto: There was no winner of the Lotto Jackpot when the draw was held last weekend. The numbers drawn were 2, 6, 8, 14. Consolation prizes were won by the following: €70 Tony McCabe, Keadue. €30 Eileen Haran, Keadue. €15 each PJ Healy, Ballyfarnon. Eileen Fowley, Dromahaire. Aiden Spellman, Keadue. The jackpot this week will be €2,900 and the draw will be held in McRann's.

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

Irish Cancer Society wish to thank all who contributed so generously to the recent church gate collection in Keadue. The amount raised was €306.42

The Re-Dedication of St. Mel's Cathedral takes place today, Sunday 17th May 2015 at 3.30p.m. If you wish to watch the ceremony live web stream. Go to the following website on a computer, <http://www.longfordparish.com/stmelstv.htm> and there you will find the link to the ceremony. You can watch Mass any day from the same website.

Parishioners are invited to the blessing of the Ruffatti organ on Sunday 24th May at 8.00pm followed by a concert featuring Longford County Choir and the Cathedral Choir. An organ recital will form part of the concert. Admission is free.

Pentecost Retreat: Dr. Ruth Patterson will lead a day of retreat in Galilee Community, Tintagh, Boyle on Sunday, May 24th. The theme of the day is "A SONG AND A DANCE". Tea and coffee will be served at 10:30am and opening session will begin at 11:00am. A light lunch of soup and scones will be served. The day will conclude at 4:30pm. Contact: Galilee Community by phoning 071-9664101.

Keadue Tidy Towns presents "*What's in Your Bin*" Sustainable Waste Management for Homes in St Ronan's Hall on Tuesday May 19th at 8pm. All Welcome.

Keadue Tidy Towns are organising a clean-up on Wednesday evening at 7.30pm. A good turnout will be appreciated.

Arigna Church: Work will soon begin on Arigna Church. The ridge tiles and sacristy chimney are being checked out. Over the next few weeks O'Hara Gutters will remove the Gutters and downpipes for cleaning and restoration. We are currently awaiting a report on the best way of dealing with the church ceiling issues before we finalise the awarding of the painting contract. The committee will meet as soon as the report is available.

Save our Area: If not in we cannot win supports for youth; older people; unemployed; underemployed; self-employed; people with a disability, the farming community and farm families etc. We must take action to be part of the Roscommon County Activation Programme. Very important public meeting for everyone on Friday next May 22nd in the Enterprise Centre, Arigna at 6.30pm led by the Centre for Unemployed/Underemployed in the Parish.