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# Kilronan Parish Newsletter

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The best way to find yourself  
is to lose yourself in the  
service of others.

Mahatma Gandhi



## The second of Ordinary Time (Year A)

“A missionary is someone who goes where s/he is not wanted but needed, and stays until s/he is wanted but not needed.”

John the Baptist was a real missionary and a great model for each of us. He began his ministry doing what God needed him to do: preparing the way for Jesus. He worked with the people, guiding, explaining, baptizing.

When the time came, John put aside his own plans and let Jesus continue and expand his ministry.

Each of us has been called to be a missionary, to be as one sent to witness to Jesus and the kingdom. In fact, we are sent at each Eucharist to “Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.”

It is through our joy and trying to follow the example of Jesus that the Word of God is truly preached!

### Anniversary Masses Keadue.

**Sat. 18th** Michael McNiff (Altagowlan)

**Sun. 19th** Missa Pro Populo

**Mon. 20th** Joe & Kathleen Martin

**Sat 25th** Tom, Annie & Jim Walsh

### Anniversary Masses Arigna

**Sun. 19th** John Thomas Flynn (Cartron)

### Anniversary Masses Ballyfarnon

**Sat. 18th** Michael & Mary Meehan

**Sat. 25th** John Charles Lyons (Cashel)

**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.

**Arigna:** Minister of Holy Communion: Sun 26th Tommy Earley, Reader: Sun 26th. Damian Duignan. Altar Society: Mary O'Donovan, Patricia McDermott. Offertory Collection €1020.00

**Keadue:** Ministers of Holy Communion: Sat 25th Moira Doyle, Sun. 26th. Florence Flynn, Readers: Sat. 25th Berna Gibbons, Sun. 26th. Edel McMorrow. Collectors: Sat 25th. Moira Doyle, Sun. 26th. Brendan Kelly, Altar Society: Kelly Family, Carrowbeg. Church Grounds: Noone Family. Offertory Collection; €965.00.

**Ballyfarnon:** Minister of Holy Communion: Sat 25th. Teresa Shivnan. Reader: Sat. 25th Stephen Flynn. Altar Society: Ann O'Connor, Carmel O'Connor Collectors: Micéal McCawley, Eamon Keaveney. Counters: Teresa Lavin, Suzanne Quigley. Church Grounds: Damian Killoran, Tommy Shivnan. Collection €560.00

**St. Ronan's Lotto:** There was no winner of the lotto jackpot when the draw was held last weekend. The numbers drawn were 6, 7 19, 29. Consolation prizes were won by the following: €70: Kevin Cooney, Ballyfarnon. €30: Tony Conway/Jason Glynn, Arigna, €15each Helen & Sinead Earley, Arigna, John Doyle, Keadue, Eddie Rogers, Keadue. The jackpot this week will be €11,200 and the draw will be held in Sadlier's Bar, Keadue.

**Bonus Ball Bash:** Last week's winners of €45 each were Tom Martin & Peter Mattimoe. To win €45 get your €2 entry at The Harp & Shamrock or O'Donnell's

**Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes Annual Collection for assisted pilgrims fund** will be held in Kilronan Parish 1st/2nd February 2014. Your support of this worthy cause will be greatly appreciated .

**O'Carolan Harp Festival 2014:** A meeting will be held this Tuesday night the 21st in Keadue Hall at 8.30pm .It is important that all members of Festival and Summer School committees attend to make plans for this years festival. New members welcome.

**Arigna Youth Club:** While our Youth Club is going well, we would like to have more youth attend. The club runs from 7-9pm on Fridays and all youth from 10 years of age upwards are welcome to attend. We would also like to have more volunteers help out. Additional volunteers would allow us to run separate sessions for different age groups and provide additional activities for our youth. We are not asking for a long-term commitment - volunteering for a year, or even less, would make a big difference to the development of our club and the life of our young people. Volunteers are only called on one evening per month and with additional volunteers, we hope to reduce this commitment. So please give it some thought and come along any Friday to see how the club operates. For more information contact Patsy Daly on 0879790145.

**Grovember fundraising event** organised in Shivnan's Bar for Sligo Cancer Support Centre raised €6,031 when 33 men from Geevagh/Ballyfarnon area sported beard/moustache during the month of November. Sincere thanks to the 33 men who participated so willingly and to all who sponsored them so generously. The total amount raised in Sligo was €30,440. The money raised in Sligo stays in Sligo. All services provided at Sligo Cancer Support Centre have been carefully chosen to promote feelings of peace, calm and wellbeing and to counteract the unpleasant side effects of surgery, radiation and chemotherapy. Last year over 5,000 people received support from the Centre. All consultations are strictly confidential and our Centre is open Mon- Fri 9am to 5pm . Tel- 071-9170399.

**Christian Unity week** takes place this week from Saturday 18th to Saturday 25th. The Theme for 2014: Has Christ been divided? (1 Cor 1:1-17) Pope Francis's prayer intention for this week is "that Christians of diverse denominations may walk toward the unity desired by Christ." As we join our voices to those of Christ Himself, Who prayed that all Christians may be one as He and His Father are one, we can join in the Holy Father's prayer intentions by praying

**Catholic Schools Week 2014:** The theme of Catholic Schools Week this year is Catholic Schools — Places of Faith and Learning. There are four Catholic primary schools in the parish. The Catholic School is 'part of the saving mission of the Church' It is place where the life of the child is enriched; where their spiritual life is nourished; and where they learn of the power and presence of Jesus Christ in their lives.

**Fundraising Dance in aid** of Fr. P.J. Hughes' Mission Fund on Friday January 24th in the Bush Hotel, Carrick-on-Shannon. Featuring T.R.Dallas, Frank Nelson & Sean Brennan. Dancing from 9p.m to 12a.m. Admission €10. Tickets available at the Hotel Reception or 086-88608. Your support for this worthy cause will be appreciated.

**Cystic Fibrosis Collection** Thanks to all who contributed to our collection taken up in Keadue and Arigna last weekend. The amounts collected were Arigna €78.07 and Keadue €195.06.

**An Irish Essay Writing Course** will take place in The Abbey Hotel on 8th Feb, 10am - 3:00pm, for 5th and 6th year higher level students. To book you place phone 0877017966"