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# Kilronan Parish Newsletter

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Choose to be kind rather  
than to be right and you'll  
be right all the time.



## The Seventh Sunday of Ordinary Time. (Year A)

In this Sunday's Gospel, Jesus gives us several powerful examples of self-giving. We are called to turn the other cheek, to give our clothes away, to lend freely, and to love our enemies. The teaching in all these examples is made more radical because it directs us to respond charitably, without condition, to the needs of others; specifically those whose intentions toward us may not be as benevolent.

Our response to this gospel is often prefaced with statements like, "But what if the evil is great? What if the threat is sure? What if my family is in danger? What if I am in danger? What if the person doesn't deserve my charity?"

Perhaps in our response, we are asking the wrong questions. We might ask instead, "Why do they hate? Why do they wish me harm? Have I done something to inspire violence in others? What would happen if I offered no resistance?"

Jesus reminds us today that in our striving to serve those who love us and those who do not, that despite all reservations or obstacles, we are called to love unconditionally. We are called to perfection.

### Anniversary Masses, Keadue.

**Sat. 18th** Florrie & Jim Langan

**Sun. 19th** Roisin Wash.

**Sat. 25th** Tommy & Linda Grimes

**Sun. 26th** Mary Guihen & Peggy Leydon

### Anniversary Masses Arigna.

**Sun. 19th** Noel McManus.

**Sun. 26th** Paddy Reynolds  
John & Bridie Glynn.  
Laura McLoughlin.

Peter & Gertrude Guihen, Lower Rover

**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.



**Baptism:** Cian William Butler, son of Stephanie and Liam, Lios Beag was welcomed into the Christian community recently.



**Confirmation Preparation Programme.** The last night of the Programme takes place this Monday night 20th February at 7p.m. The Ceremony of light for Confirmation takes place on Monday 27th at 7p.m in Keadue Church followed by a short rehearsal for Confirmation. The sacrament of Confirmation will be administered by Bishop Francis Duffy on Friday 3rd March at 4p.m in Keadue Church.

**Arigna:** Minister of Holy Communion: Sun 26th. Mary Guihen, Maureen Guihen, Reader: Sun 26th. Eithne McGuire. Altar Society: Beatrice Rynn, Maureen Guihen. Offertory Collection, €530.00

### Anniversary Masses Ballyfarnon.

**Sat. 18th** Tommy Gaffney

**Sat. 25th** Pat, Kate & John Joe Travers

**Rest in Peace ☩:** The burial of the ashes of the late Margaret O'Rourke, Nee Bohan and her husband Rory, will take place in Arigna Cemetery after the 10a.m. Mass this Wednesday 22nd.

**Ballyfarnon:** Minister of Holy Communion: Sat 25th. Margaret Killoran. Reader: Sat 25th Liz Travers. Altar Society: Pauline Flynn, Nuala McNamara. Collectors: Gerry Travers & Tony McDonagh. Grounds: Michael Bruen, Ray Lynam. Offertory Collection, €210.00.

**Keadue:** Ministers of Holy Communion: Sat 25th. Joan Connolly Sun 26th. Brendan Kelly, Readers: Sat. 25th. Chloe McCabe, Sun. 26th. Eileen Barry. Collectors: Sat. 25th. Phyllis Quinn. Sun. 26th. Colin McCabe. Altar Society: Mary McCabe, Bríd McMorrow, Mai Fearon, Berna Gibbons, Viola Durka. Grounds: Vincent McCabe, Sean McMorrow. Offertory Collection, €480.00

**Choir Practice** for Confirmation Thursday 9pm - 10pm. New members welcome.

**St Ronan's Lotto:** There was no winner of the lotto jackpot when the draw was held last weekend. The numbers drawn were 1, 7, 21, 28. Consolation prizes were won by the following €70 The Lenehan Grandchildren, Ballyfarnon. €30 Anthony Cawley, Geevagh, €15 each Tony Conway, Arigna. Nuala McNamara, Ballyfarnon. Conor Turner & Cinders, c/o Shinvans. The jackpot this week will be €2,800 and the draw will be held in Shinvan's.

**Bonus Ball Bash:** Last week's winners of €45 each were Michael Gilbane & P.J. O'Donnell. Get your €2 entry at The Harp & Shamrock or O'Donnell's

**Pilates** in Keadue Hall on Thursday Nights at 8.30pm New members welcome. Everyone catered for, from beginners to advanced.

**Ballyfarnon Community Enterprise Group** will hold a meeting in the community centre on Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> February 2017 at 8pm. A member of the Public Participations Network will give us an overview of support they can offer to the community. All welcome.

**Kilronan Community Games Swimming Heats** take place in the pool at Aura Carrick on Shannon on Sunday February 26th at 7pm. Entries to Fiona 0868700666.

**Breffni Players Present** "An Inspector Calls" on March 1st to 5th (incl.) in "The Dock" Carrick-on-Shannon written by JB Priestly and directed by Angus Dunne. Curtain Nightly 8.30p.m. Booking at "The Dock" 071-9650828.

*Believe in yourself for you are marvellously endowed.*

*Believe in your job, for all honest work is sacred.*

*Believe in this day, for every minute Contains an opportunity to do good.*

*Believe in your family, and create harmony by trust and cooperation.*

*Believe in your neighbour, for the more friends you can make,  
the happier you will be.*

*Believe in uprightness, for you cannot go wrong doing right.*

*Believe in your decisions; consult God first, then go ahead.*

*Believe in your health; your health is your wealth. Don't doubt it.*

*Believe in the now; yesterday is past recall, and tomorrow may never come.*

*Believe in God's promises; He means it when He says. "I am with you always."*

*Believe in God's mercy; if God forgives you,*

*you can forgive yourself and try again tomorrow*