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# Kilronan Parish Newsletter

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Those who fear the  
darkness have no idea  
what the light can do



## The Third Sunday of Ordinary Time (Year C)

Centuries before he was born, word of a saviour was looked forward to by the prophets of Israel. Prophecies like those in the book of Isaiah would regularly be heard by the Jewish faithful in synagogues all over Israel and around the world. For centuries, word of him spread.

In his own time, news of Jesus spread. Miraculous healings,

teachings with authority, a growing group of disciples, a palpable sense of mystery—all contributed to his widening reputation. By the end of his earthly ministry his accusers in Jerusalem would say, "He is inciting the people with his teaching through-out all Judea, from Galilee where he began even to here"

After his resurrection, eyewitnesses—those who had seen and heard—were the first to spread the good news about Jesus. Followed by other ministers of the word, the stories and teachings of Jesus would be memorized, put into song, handed down, and treasured. Some, like Luke, would compile the narratives into collections so that the news could be spread into the future.

Through time and throughout every language and nation, news of Jesus continues to spread. New generations are offered the news—good news, hopeful news, saving news.

### Anniversary Masses, Keadue.

**Sat. 23rd** Florence & Joseph Spellman.

**Sun. 24th** Mass for the people of the Parish.

**Sun. 31st** John & Martha Casserly

### Anniversary Masses, Arigna.

**Sun. 24th** Rose Ann Mulhern - Months Mind.

**Sun. 31st** Michael McManus—Months Mind.

**Weekday Masses 10a.m:** Monday, Keadue, Wednesday (only), Arigna, Thursday & Friday, Ballyfarnon. **Week-end Masses:** Saturday Vigil, Keadue 7p.m & Ballyfarnon 8.30p.m. Sunday Masses: Arigna at 10.30p.m. and 12 noon Keadue. Confessions after Saturday evening Vigils.

**Parish Finance Committee** meeting in the Parochial House, Keadue on Tuesday 26th January at 8 p.m.

**"Do this in Memory Programme"** in Keadue This Sunday 24th January.

Please Note First Confessions in Keadue on Wednesday 9th March at 7.30p.m.

**The Annual Diocesan Collection** for Lourdes Assisted Pilgrims takes place next week-end. **A second collection** for this worthy cause will be taken up after Holy Communion at all Masses in the three churches of the parish.

**Week of Prayer for Christian Unity** continues until 25th January.

**Kilronan Parish Pastoral Council** meeting this Tuesday night at 9p.m. in the Parochial House, Keadue.

**Parish Calendar** is now available in all the Churches.

### Rest in Peace. ✚

George Earley, England, brother of  
Laurence Earley, Strabraggan  
Margaret Gaffney, Drumkeerin, mother  
of Catherine Gaffney, Ballyfarnon

**Ballyfarnon:** Minister of Holy Communion: Sat 30th. Tony McDonagh. Reader: Sat 30th. Liz Travers. Altar Society: Caroline Bruen & Fiona Barry. Collectors: Michael Cawley & Eamon Keaveney. Church Grounds: Martin McNamara, Michael Kerrigan. Offertory Collections €375.

**Arigna:** Minister of Holy Communion: Sun 31st. Sean Guihen, Margaret McPadden. Reader: Sun 31st. Guihen Family, Altar Society: Mary O'Donovan, Patricia McDermott. Offertory Collections €637.

**Keadue:** Ministers of Holy Communion: Sat 30th. Joan Connolly Sun 31st Florence Flynn. Readers: Sat. 30th. Sinead Irwin, Sun. 31st. Paul Kelly. Collectors: Sat 30th. Margaret Kelly. Sun. 24th. Colm O'Donnell. Altar Society: Kelly Family, Carrowbeg. Church Grounds: Patrick McManus, Sean McDonagh. Offertory Collections €545.

**Bonus Ball Bash:** Last week's winner of €45 was Lyndsey Mattimoe. To win €45 get your €2 entry at The Harp & Shamrock or O'Donnell's.

**St. Ronan's Lotto:** There was no winner of the Lotto Jackpot when the draw was held last weekend. The numbers drawn were 8,16,28 and 29. Consolation prizes were won by the following: €70 Lelia McDonagh, Keadue, €30 Maragret Maguire, Ballinagare, €15 each Jim Maidment, Keadue, Brian McCabe, Keadue, Aisling & Bernadette Duignan, Arigna. The jackpot this week will be €6,500. The draw will be held in McRanns.

**Drumshanbo Enterprise Centre:** We are currently recruiting participants for a QQI/Fetac level 5 Early Childhood Care and Education course. This programme aims to equip the learner with the skill, knowledge and competence required to work in a range of Early Childhood Care and Education setting and/or to progress to higher education and training. For more information or to book a place contact Michael on 0719641577, or email enterpriseinfo@eircom.net

**Copies** of the Athlone Boundary Review Submission are available in all the shops in the Parish and in the RLP Office, Enterprise Centre, Arigna. Have your say if you are interested in supporting the 9,000 people in Roscommon facing loss of the Rossie identity and forced into County Westmeath. The submission forms will be collected on Tuesday as the closing date for receipt of submissions to the Athlone Boundary Review Secretariat, Co Council, Mullingar is Wednesday 27th January at 5pm.

An opportunity for those who wish to sign this submission will be available outside the Churches after all Masses this weekend

**Ash Wednesday** is only three weeks away. Easter is early this year 27th March. Easter falls on the first Sunday following the first full moon after the 21st March (Equinox) If the first full moon occurs on the 21st March, Easter is the following Sunday. Easter can fall anywhere between March 22 and April 25.

**Eucharistic Adoration:** The Adoration Committee of Ardagh & Clonmacnois is developing its Diocesan Team. You are welcome to attend an Information Meeting in The Family Centre, in the Cathedral grounds, Longford on Saturday 6th February 2016 at 11am (finishing at 12.30). Refreshments served. See poster in the church for further details of how to attend.