## Cranny/Coolmeen Newsletter 18th/19th March 2017 *Radharc na nOileán*

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Offertory Collection: 11th/12th March €422.00 *Mass Cards*: Available from Community Office, Coolmeen and Margaret Haugh.

Mass Times: Cranny -Saturday 7pm Coolmeen -Sunday 9.45am

Monday No Mass
Tuesday 10.00am (Kildysart)
Wednesday 10am (Kildysart)
Thursday 10am (Kildysart)
Friday 7pm (Cranny)

We welcome Bishop Fintan Monahan to Coolmeen-Cranny on the occasion of his first visit to our parish. Bishop Fintan will celebrate both Masses in the parish this weekend. After Mass in Cranny we will have refreshments in Tir na nÓg and after Sunday morning Mass in Coolmeen refreshments will be offered in the parochial house. Everyone is welcome to come and meet our Bishop.

Rest in Peace: The first anniversary Mass for Kitty McNamara, Clonkett will be celebrated in St Mary's Church, Cranny on next Friday (24 March) at 7pm. May the Lord grant her eternal rest and be close to her sons Kevin and Stephen, daughter Mary, brother Georgie, sisters Bridie and Molly and all who formed part of her circle of love and care.

The Grouped Anniversary Masses for March. Cranny - Saturday 25th March. Names to be given to Mary O'Dea, Susan King or written into the book in the Church.

**Coolmeen** - Sunday 26th. March. Names to be given to Margaret Haugh or written into the book in the Church.

The Priests' Collection will be taken up this weekend. We thank you for your unfailing generosity.

Confirmation: The young people from Kildysart and Coolmeen-Cranny parishes who recently received the sacrament of confirmation will gather for a retreat on next Friday. The retreat will be led by Joanna O'Brien and Cora Ginnane. We pray that it may be a time of blessing and grace for them.

Daylight Saving Time: Clocks go forward an hour at 1am on Sunday 26 March. Beginning on Saturday 1 April the vigil Masses in St Mary's Church, Cranny and in the Church of Christ the King, Ballycorick will be celebrated at 8pm. Summer time will continue until 29 October, 2017

Lay Led Liturgies: Maureen Kelly, Pastoral Worker with the Diocese will begin training for future leaders for lay led liturgies on Thursday, 23rd March at 8pm in the Community Centre, Kildysart. The course will continue over the four successive Thursdays. This is an opportunity to enrich your faith and understanding of the Mass.

Resources for Lent: Lent is a graced time to reflect on God's Word, especially on the Sunday Gospels. The Sunday Gospels introduce us to some of the great stories of people who came to faith in Jesus, such as Woman at the Well, the Man Born Blind and the story of Lazarus. On the diocesan website <a href="https://www.killaloediocese.ie">www.killaloediocese.ie</a> you will find a Lectio Divina method for reflecting on these gospel texts. This approach is called Hearing Happening, Hoping

Trócaire's Lenten Campaign: "Making your neighbour a loan is an act of mercy, to lend him a helping hand is to keep the commandments." Ecclesiasticus, 29:1. This St Patrick's weekend, we celebrate the solidarity Irish people have shown with the world's poor over many decades. Trócaire is proud to be a conduit for the compassion of people here at home which last year saw over 2.4 million people in 25 countries receiving support. For more information on the Lenten campaign visit www.trocaire.org/lent.

Catholic Grandparents Association First Annual Retreat/Conference 26 & 27 April 2017: Theme - Helping our Children and Grandchildren to know, love and serve God in these highly secularised times. Venue - Dominican Retreat Centre, Tallaght Village Dublin 24. Day only and overnight attendance options available. Inspiring talks, lively discussion - Speakers include Fr Benny McHale. Contact 098 24877

or catholicgrandparents@gmail.com

Pastoral Council: The next meeting of Coolmeen-Cranny Parish Pastoral Council will take place in the Parochial House, Coolmeen on Thursday 30 March 2017 at 8.30pm. If any member of the parish would like to place an item on the agenda they are welcome to contact the chairperson or any member of the council. The members of our pastoral council are Chairperson, John O Connor; Vice Chairperson, John McNamara; Secretary, Mary O Connell; Treasurers, Catherine Corry & Susan King; Members, Fr Albert McDonnell, Helen Browne, Breda Doyle, Mary Frawley, Mary Greene, Margaret Haugh, Brid Meaney, Tom Meaney, Aggie Neenan, Mary O'Dea and Antoinette Quinlivan.

**Cranny Cemetery Committee** is composed of Christy Talty (Chairman), John O'Connor and Fr. A. McDonnell.

Coolmeen GAA are holding a Poker Classic in Ciarans Bar, Ennis Sunday 19th March at 7pm. Entry fee €20.00. All support on the night would be greatly appreciated For tickets and further details please contact Mike Murphy, Martin O Brien or Paul King

Congratulations to pupils from Coolmeen N.S.- Laura Kennedy, Nicole Stephens, Ehtan Doyle and Mark Kennedy - prize winners at Féile na hInse 2017.

**Coolmeen N.S.** is taking enrolments for September 2017 - please contact the school on 065 6832320 for further details.

IT Assist: Learn how to get the best use from your phone, tablet or laptop through our One-to-One IT Assist training. Only €5 for a one hour session. For information and to book a place please call: West Clare Family Resource Centre on 065 9052173.

## CÙIL MÌN/KILDYSART G.A.A. LOTTO DRAW

Next Draw: Monday 20th March at The Hilltop Last week's winning numbers 16, 18, 20, 21 Jackpot €9,600

€50 Shane & Sheila Mc Mahon
€30 Seán óg Cleary
€30 James & Marina O' Neill
€30 James & Marina O' Neill
€30 Álan Corry
€30 Áine Donnellan
€30 Mary Custy

Cranny
Kildysart
Coolmeen
c/o The Corner Bar

Cùil Mìn GAA Club appreciates your support. Remember On-line lotto available to play no matter where in the world you may be <a href="www.locallotto.ie">www.locallotto.ie</a>

**Grouped Anniversary Mass for Cranny** takes place on Saturday 25th March. The following loved ones will be remembered.

Kay Mc Namara Carrowreagh West Thomas & Delia Mc Namara Carrowreagh West Marian O' Grady (neé Mc Namara) Carrowreagh West Pat Davis Derrynalicka Michael Dovle Six Crosses & Clonmel

Mary & Thomas Purtil & deceased
members of the Purtil family Carrowreagh

WestJohn & Brigid O' Dea Craghera
Martin Brooks Shessive

**Grouped Anniversary Mass for Coolmeen** takes place on Sunday 26th March. The following loved ones will be remembered.

Bridie Reidy Portmarnock
Mary & John Normoyle Crossderry
Mary Normoyle U.S.A. & Crossderry
Mick & Nora Clancy Erribul

Community Employment Scheme has 3 vacancies in Kildysart, one in the Parish Office and 2 in General Maintenance. Interested persons may contact the Community Office, Coolmeen 065 6832070 / 0868513077.

Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes: This year's Diocesan Pilgrimage will leave Shannon on Monday 26th June, returning on Saturday, 1st July. The cost is €692 per person sharing. Booking forms can be obtained from: Joe Walsh Tours Tel. (01) 2410810

www.joewalshtours.ie and for sick pilgrims from Fr. Tom Ryan, Shannon Tel. (061) 364133

Readers for Coolmeen Mass: Readers are required for Mass in Coolmeen Church. If you would like to read please contact Brid Meaney 0872741279. At a Mass for a loved one you are also more than welcome to read. The more readers we have will mean that no one is over burdened. Reading for one mass is a fantastic contribution and greatly appreciated

Kildysart Coolmeen Group Water Scheme has received notification from Clare Council that, in order to apply for subsidies and funding we must now provide the Eircode for each of the houses in the Group Water Scheme. Sheets are provided at the back of the churches in Cranny, Coolmeen, Kildysart and Labasheeda. Each member of the GWS is requested to fill one and return to Brid Meaney (0872741279) or any member of the Group Water Scheme Committee. Sealed boxes are also left in the church if you wish to leave your Eircode there. As subsidies and funding is calculated based on Eircodes provided it is in every members' interest that we get all Eircodes as soon as possible.

Kildysart Drama Society present Michael J Ginnelly's brilliant comedy, "Pretend Sick" in the Community Centre, Kildysart on Sunday March 19th, Saturday March 25th and Sunday March 26th.. Doors open at 7.45.m. and Curtain goes up at 8.30pm. sharp. A great nights entertainment full of laughter is guaranteed.