

Cranny/Coolmeen Newsletter

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Coolmeen Church

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Opening Hours:
9.00am – 1.00pm Mon/Tue/Wed/Thurs/Fri
Contact: 065 68 32070 / 086 8513077

Offertory Collection: 4th/5th March €409.00

Mass Cards: Available from Community Office,
Coolmeen and Margaret Haugh.

Coolmeen Church Cleaning Group for March: Helen
Eustace, Mary Cleary, Catherine Moloney, Christina
Mc Mahon, Teresa Eustace

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

Monday	No Mass
Tuesday	10.00am (Kildysart)
Wednesday	10am (Kildysart)
Thursday	7pm (Cranny)
Friday	9.45am (Coolmeen)
Friday	11am (Kildysart)

Rest in Peace: We pray for Gerard McMahon, Carrowreagh West who died on 8th March, 2017. May the Lord take Gerard to the eternal home that He has prepared from him in heaven and console his brothers and sisters Michael, John, Thomas, Joseph, Mary and Nancy, all who cared for him and who formed part of his circle of love and care.

Cleaning Cranny Church: Anyone wishing to give a hand to clean Cranny Church for the Bishop's visit is very welcome to come along on Wednesday night from 7.00pm—9.00pm. Everyone most welcome especially men. Lots to do.

Confirmation: Bishop Fintan Monahan celebrated the sacrament of confirmation for the parishes of Kildysart and Coolmeen-Cranny on Friday, 10th March. We congratulate the young people, their parents, families and teachers. May the Holy Spirit always guide and protect them.

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.

Bishop Fintan Monaghan will visit our parish the weekend of 18-19th March. Bishop Fintan will celebrate 7pm Mass in St. Mary's Church, Cranny on Saturday and 9.45am Mass in St. Benedict's Church, Coolmeen on Sunday.

Trócaire: The theme for Trócaire's 2017 Lenten campaign is 'Join the Fight for Justice'. Family Trócaire boxes can be found at the entrances to the Church and you are welcome to make your donation during Holy week

Coolmeen GAA are holding a Poker Classic in Ciarans Bar, Ennis on 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.

St Patrick's Day, the Feast of our National Apostle is celebrated on Friday, 17th March. It is a Holy Day of Obligation. The vigil Mass will be celebrated in Cranny at 7pm on Thursday, and Mass on the feast day will be celebrated in Coolmeen at 9.45am and in Kildysart at 11am.

Missionvale: Seamus Casey and Enda Meaney, students at St John Bosco Community College, travelled to South Africa in January to work with Sr Ethel Normoyle at her mission. They will speak at Masses in the parish this weekend to report on their experience and express their thanks for your support.

The Priests' Collection will be taken up next weekend, 18-19th March. We thank you for your unfailing generosity.

Kildysart Drama Society present Michael J Ginnelly's brilliant comedy, "Pretend Sick" in the Community Centre, Kildysart on Saturday March 18th and Sunday March 19th. Doors open at 7.45.m. and Curtain goes up at 8.30 p.m. sharp. A great nights entertainment full of laughter is guaranteed.

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 www.killaloediocese.ie you will find a *Lectio Divina* method for reflecting on these gospel texts. This approach is called Hearing Happening, Hoping.

Prayer for Transfiguration

God in our living, and God in our dying.

God in our laughter and God in our weeping.

God in our fear and God in our joy.

God in our doubting and

God in our praise.

God who comes to us in the rushing wind, pouring rain, and boom of thunder.

God of light, water and of wind,
God of language and singing, and silence,
we come today holding much heaviness in our hearts.
And we come with full hearts of love.

We hold all things to you,
confident that you are already present in the darkest corners,
and in the brightest light.

As we prepare this week for our Lenten journey,
may all that we do speak redemption in the face of despair.
Move your Spirit over us, in thought, word, and deed.

We pray this for all those who cannot.

[In your Son's name. Amen.](#)

Written by Meredith Holladay and Posted on
www.lakeshorecaco.org

Happy Feet Walking Group:

We leave the Community Centre, Kilrush at 11.15 each Tuesday and Thursday morning for a leisurely stroll or a quick walk, whichever you prefer. The idea is to get out in the fresh air and improve your mental and physical fitness while enjoying the company of other walkers. More Information from 065 9052173.

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

CÙIL MÌN/KILDYSART G.A.A. LOTTO DRAW

Next Draw : Monday 13th March at The Alders

Last week's winning numbers **4, 9, 16, 28**

Jackpot **€9,400**

€50 Donal Doohan
€30 Cian Murphy
€30 Dermot Clancy
€30 Steve Greene
€30 Alan Corry
€30 Ted Frawley

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Cùil Min GAA Club appreciates your support. Remember On-line lotto available to play no matter where in the world you may be www.localotto.ie

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.

Meditation Sessions:

Take a short time out 'to be' and to relax in a peaceful atmosphere. Commencing on Tuesday 14th March 11am to 11.45 at West Clare Family Resource Centre, Community Centre, Kilrush. For more information call 065-9052173.

Computer Classes Kilrush – Would you like to start using a computer or tablet, or to improve your skills? Join a group at the Community Centre Kilrush, on Tuesday mornings or Wednesday afternoons for a six week course beginning on Tues 21st March. To book a place call West Clare FRC 065-9052173.

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.joewalshstours.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 overburdened. 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.

Bluebells Garden Growers Group Kilrush: Spring is here and it is time to get out and about. The Bluebell Garden Growers, a gardening group for over 55s, invites you to come along and be part of a group growing flowers and vegetables. For more information call West Clare Family Resource Centre on 065-9052173.

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 065 905 2173.

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