

Cranny/Coolmeen Newsletter

8th/9th March 2014

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Masses for March
Cranny –Saturday 6.45pm.
Coolmeen –Sunday 9.45am.

Mass Times for this Week
Mon/Tues/Wed –10am Kildysart
Thurs –9.30am Cranny
Fri –7.30pm Coolmeen

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Lá Fhéile Pádraig: The feast of our national patron, St Patrick will be celebrated on Monday 17th March. It is a Holy Day of obligation and we will have Mass on Monday in St Benedict's Church, Coolmeen at 9.45am, in St Michael's Church, Kildysart at 11am and in St Mary's Church, Cranny at 6.45pm.

Our next Preparation Mass for First Holy Communion: will be celebrated in St Mary's Church, Cranny on Saturday 8th March 2014 at 6.45pm

The theme of this year's Trócaire Lenten campaign is 'Let Justice flow like a river' (Amos 5:24): and the focus is on 'Water'. In many African countries 51% of people do not have access to clean water. The Trócaire box and poster features Enestina, a nine year old girl from Malawi. Until Trócaire worked with her community to develop a borehole, Enestina had to carry 15 litres of water twice a day a distance of 1 KM for her family. During the dry season the queue to get water can take hours. As a result she frequently missed school or arrived there feeling tired. Trócaire boxes will be available in our Church next weekend. You are welcome to take one for your home and/or place of work and use it during Lent. The people of Coolmeen-Cranny have been extremely generous in the past in support of the work of Trócaire.

A new Processional Cross: has been purchased for St Benedict's Church, Coolmeen. It will be used for funeral Masses, on Palm Sunday and other liturgies. It was purchased using the donations made on the occasion of the monthly shared anniversary Masses.

The Grouped Anniversary Mass for March will be celebrated as follows:

Cranny- Saturday 29th at 9.45am. Names to be given to Mary O'Dea, Susan King or written into book in the Church.
Coolmeen - Sunday 30th March at 6.45pm. Names to be given to Margaret Haugh 087 6981841, Brid Meaney 087 2741279 or written into the book at the back of Church.

Couples who are planning to marry in 2014: are reminded that in addition to booking the celebrant and Church, they also need to take part in a recognised pre-marriage course and complete their marriage papers in their own parish. Information on pre-marriage can be found on the Church notice board, www.accord.ie or 065 6824297.

The annual Diocesan Pilgrimage to Knock: will take place on Sunday 6th July. Details will be announced later.

Sacred Places of Killaloe Diocese: A small number of copies of this booklet are available from the Kildysart parish office. Cost - €3. This booklet features places of spiritual significance from across the diocese including the Cillin at Clondrina, Canons Island and St Martin's Well in Ballynacally.

Lenten Talks: at The Dominican Biblical Institute on Upper Cecil Street, Limerick on five Tuesday evenings will begin on 4th March at 7.30pm. The overall theme of the series is Understanding our Faith Today and the titles and speakers are as follows:

4th March: The Church through the eyes of Pope Francis: John Harris O.P.

11th March: Scripture in the life of the Church Today: Seamus Tuohy O.P.

18th March: Lectio Divina: Reading the Scriptures Today: Terence Crotty O.P.

25th March: Canon Law: Do we need it? Joseph Dineen O.P.

1st April: Living Life to the Full: Moral Theology and Human Dignity: Alan O'Sullivan O.P.

GAA News

U – 16A: Cùil Min / Kildysart defeated Clondegad in the first round of the U – 16 A Division 1 Championship on a score of 0 – 12 to 1 – 04. Great start to new season.

Coolmeen GAA Beanie Hats: on sale at the Community Office - price €10 euro.

G.A.A. Lotto

Results: **Mon 3rd March — No Winner**

Winning Numbers: - 05,17,21,22.

Sales €290.

€50 - David O'Halloran, Moyralla.

€30 (1) Mai Murrhiy.

(2) Anne & Lez c/o Mitchell's.

(3) Vera Holohan, Aylroe.

(4) Derek Flynn, Dublin.

(5) Joe Carroll, c/o Depak.

Next Draw Monday 10th March
at Tír na n-Óg -Jackpot €5,200.

Online Lotto available to play no matter where in the world you might be! You can win big while helping your club!

Kildysart Drama Society: presents Jimmy Keary's hilarious comedy, "The Maiden Aunt" in the Community Centre, Kildysart on Saturday March 8th and Sunday March 9th. Doors open at 7.45pm and curtain goes up at 8.30pm sharp. A great nights entertainment is guaranteed!

Kilmurry/Cranny/Coolmeen Community Alert: will be having a second lot of panic alarms fitted next week. Anyone still wishing to apply may do so by contacting any member of the group. We have now purchased the "Text Alert" poles and signs in accordance with national guidelines and Clare County Council have given a commitment to erect them in the next two weeks in designated areas for which we are very thankful. Meanwhile we encourage everyone to stay alert and report any suspicious activity immediately to Kilrush Garda 9080550. We thank everyone for their co-operation and look forward to a crime free year. Date of our AGM will be announced later.

Christmas Day Swim: West Clare Mini Marathon would like to thank all who took part, organised and contributed to the annual swim, amount raised €4,396.

Ballynacally Annual 4 Mile Fun Run/Walk: on this Sunday March 9th. Walkers, Joggers, Runners – All welcome. Funds raised go to West Clare Mini-Marathon Cancer Care Centre & Clare Youth Services. Walkers 12.30pm. Runners 1pm. Entry: €10 pp or €20 per family. Registration 11am -12noon.

Annual Tractor Run: in Ballynacally on next Sunday 16th March at 12noon. Proceeds to Kildysart & Clarecastle Day Care Centres. Full Details : 086 3935249 .

Blood Donor Clinic : will be held in the Community School, Kilrush from 6pm to 9pm on Wednesday 12th March and Thursday 13th March.

Ennis College of Further Education: is accepting applications for full-time courses commencing next September in business, legal studies, office administration/medical secretary, accounting technician, nursing, childcare, community & health, sports and recreation. Copies of the 2014/2015 prospectus are available from the school reception or on www.enniscommunitycollege.ie.

Introduction to Counselling: An 8 week evening course will begin on 20th March in Ennis. Contact Pauline Bradley (MIACP) Tel 087 6383988.

It is hoped to set up Cardiac First Responder teams in the Coolmeen/Cranny area: Volunteers are needed. Training and all support necessary will be available. As the defibrillators are in place these teams would be beneficial to all in the community. Please call: 085 7296062 for more information.

Basket Collection: March 1st/2nd €368.
Coolmeen Ministers of the Word For March: Margaret Haugh & Brid Meaney.

Cranny Church Cleaning Group for March: Birrinfadda, Shessive.

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

A revised Mass schedule in the Radharc na nOiléan cluster: will come into effect on 5th-6th April 2014.

St.Mary's Church, Cranny,
Saturday 8pm.

Church of Christ the King, Ballycorick,
Saturday 8pm.

St Benedict's Church, Coolmeen,
Sunday 9.45am.

St Michael's Church, Kildysart
Sunday 11am.

Church of Our Lady of the Wayside,

Lissycasey,
Sunday 11am

Month's Mind Masses: The month's mind Mass for Catherine (Kitty) Mann, Erribul will be celebrated in St Benedict's Church, Coolmeen on Friday 14th March at 7.30pm.

The Months mind Mass for John (J.J.) Donnelly, Carrowreagh East will be celebrated in St Mary's Church, Cranny on Saturday 15th March at 6.45pm.
