## **CLOUGHJORDAN PARISH NEWSLETTER – 27th April 2025**

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### Weekend Mass Times:

Ardcroney – Vigil Mass Friday at 7.30pm Kilruane – Vigil Mass Saturday at 6pm Cloughjordan – Sunday at 11am

INTRODUCTION TO THE SCRIPTURE READINGS: First Reading: The number

of men and women who came to believe in the Lord increased steadily. **Second Reading**: I was dead and now I am to live forever and ever. **Gospel**: Eight days later Jesus came.

## **MASS INTENTIONS:**

Fri 25th Ardcroney: Alice & Tom Hill

Sean McLoughney Kathleen Cleary

Sat 26th Kilruane: Mike & Coleen Shelly

Sun 27th Cloughjordan: Michael & Kathleen Kenneally

Paddy, Ellen & Daisy Horrigan & deceased family members

Sean & Peggy Whelan & deceased family members

Peggy Rohan

Fri 2nd Ardcroney: Martin McLoughney

Baby Isobel Duff Baby Tess Duff

Sun 4th Cloughjordan: Michael Cahill

RECENTLY DECEASED: Anne (Anastasia) Moore-Matthews, née Conroy, Cardtown,

Mountrath, Co.Laois – mother of Veronica O'Meara, Cowbawn, Cloughjordan. We pray for all who have died and all whose anniversaries occur at this time.

CLOUGHJORDAN WEEKDAY MASSES: Tuesday & Thursday at 9.30am

<u>POPE FRANCIS:</u> We were all very saddened to hear of the death of our Holy Father Pope Francis on Easter Monday last. It's an opportunity for all of us to celebrate his life with a Mass of Thanksgiving on Wednesday evening, 30th April in Cloughjordan Church at 7.30pm

CLOUGHJORDAN LAY LITURGY: Monday & Friday at 9.30am

Mon 28th Presider: May Casey - Eucharistic Minister: Nancy Feighery Fri 2nd Presider: Peadar Walsh - Eucharistic Minister: Mary Maher

<u>WEEKDAY READERS</u>: Mon 28th Seamus Quinlivan, Tue 29th Gay Kieran, Wed 20th Bawney Hayes, Thurs 1st Anna McLoughlin, Fri 2nd Maureen Shelly.

#### **EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS:**

Adcroney Fri 2nd Kay Guest

Kilruane Sat 3rd Teresa Peters & John Clarke
Cloughjordan Sun 4th Mary Gibson & Breda Whelan

## **READERS:**

Ardcroney Fri 2nd Mary Rose Cleary – Reader & Prayers of the Faithful

Kilruane Sat 3rd Mollie Kennedy – Reader: Vivian Farrell - Prayers of the Faithful

Cloughjordan 4th Gemma Brugha – Reader & Prayers of the Faithful

### GREETERS & WELCOMERS - MAY

Ardcroney: Martin Spain: Kilruane: Peadar Walsh

Cloughjordan: Martin Kennedy & Richard Last

**PRAYER GROUP, CLOUGHJORDAN:** Meets every Wednesday in the Parish Office from 8pm to 9pm. Everyone welcome.

## MONEY MATTERS - last weekend

Basket collection: €1,051.80 - Development Fund €685.00

A word of sincere thanks to all who contributed to the Priests' Easter collection which was taken up last weekend.

**TRÓCAIRE**: Reminder to return your Trócaire boxes.

<u>NEW PRESCHOOL OPENING</u> at *Kilruane National School*. Now enrolling for September 2025. Please email: highfivepreschoolkilruane@gmail.com or phone Lisa O Gorman 0852616444. Alternatively, please call to the school.

<u>CONGRATULATIONS</u> to *Lorna Slevin*, Ardcroney and *Maurice Chadwick*, Nenagh who were married in Ardcroney Church recently.

<u>UPCOMING BLOOD DONATION CLINICS IN NENAGH</u> – Scouts Hall on Monday, April 28th, Tuesday, April 29th, Wednesday, April 30th & Thursday, May 1st. 4.50pm – 8.10pm each day. Donors are welcome. Please phone 1800 222 111 to make an appointment.

<u>LOUGH DERG 2025 SEASON</u> – Three-day Pilgrimage from Friday 30th May until Friday 15th August. Admission: €85.00. Booking advised – concessions available for students, seniors & groups. Telephone 071/9861518. www.loughderg.org

<u>MacDonaghs Lotto</u> 21/04/2025. Nos drawn: 1-14-18-16. No Jackpot Winner. 8x€25: Kay Dillon, c/o Bingo; Ben Leamy, c/o Nell Darcy; Maureen Heffernan, Ardcroney; Zack Dervan, Cloughjordan; Aisling Nevin, Ardcroney; Kevin Keogh, Ballygibbon; Deirdre Grace, Middlewalk; Kieran Cahill, Cloughjordan. Jackpot next week €8,300. Thanks for your continued support.

# REFLECTION - CEASE DOUBTING AND BELIEVE

While Jesus was alive Thomas was as strong as an oak.

But when Jesus was put to death, he became a reed shaking in the winds of doubt.

The truth was, though he didn't realise it at the time,

that it was the Master who was the oak. He was a mere sapling growing in his shade. When the oak fell, he was defenceless. All are shaken by the winds of doubt.

We need to look at the Lord's wounds and hear his gentle voice saying to us: "Cease doubting and believe." Then with Thomas we shall make bold to say:

"My Lord and my God."

Parish Office opening hours: Monday, Wednesday & Thursday 10am to 3pm