

CLOUGHJORDAN PARISH NEWSLETTER – 30th January 2022

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INTRODUCTION TO THE SCRIPTURE READINGS: **First Reading:** Jeremiah was one of the greatest prophets God sent among his people. This reading tells of his call by God and of his commission as a prophet. **Second Reading:** This contains Paul's great hymn in praise of love. He says that for a follower of Christ love is by far the most important virtue of all. **Gospel:** This tells how Jesus shared the fate of every true prophet: he was rejected by his own people.

MASS INTENTIONS

Fri 28th Ardcroney: John Starr (1st Anniversary)

Sat 29th Kilruane: Maureen O'Connell

Sun 30th Cloughjordan: Mary Hennessy - Josie Hennessy
The Quinn Family

Thurs 3rd Cloughjordan: Margaret Maher & deceased members of the Maher family.

Fri 4th Ardcroney: Breeda Slevin

Sat 5th Kilruane: Rose Grace and deceased members of the Grace family

Sun 6th Cloughjordan: Michael, Teasie & Syl O'Meara
Brian Banaghan - Michael Banaghan

RECENTLY DECEASED: **Michael Ryan**, Briarfield, Newport, formerly of Portroe brother of Rachel Melia, Kilruane.

Josephine Hickey née McCarthy, Drumcondra, Dublin and formerly of Springfield, Borrisokane - sister of Pat McCarthy, Ballycapple.

John Treacy, Nenagh Road, Cloughjordan – son of Rose Treacy and brother of Fr. Pat Treacy, Roscrea.

We pray for all who have died and all whose anniversaries occur at this time

CLOUGHJORDAN LAY LITURGY: Monday & Tuesday at 9.30am

Monday 31st Presider: Una MacNamara --- Eucharistic Minister: Geraldine Williams

Tuesday 1st Presider: Gemma Brughá --- Eucharistic Minister: Josie Hayes

CLOUGHJORDAN WEEKDAY MASSES: Wednesday, Thursday & Friday at 9.30am.

Candles for Church use or for personal use will be blessed at Mass next Wednesday morning – Candlemas Day.

FEAST OF ST. BLAISE: Thursday 3rd February. Blessing of throats after 9.30 Mass. A general blessing will take place at all Masses this weekend.

WEEKDAY READERS: Monday 31st Marion Cahill - Tuesday 1st Gay Kieran

Wednesday 2nd Bawney Hayes -- Thursday 3rd Maureen Shelly

Friday 4th Una MacNamara

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS:

Ardcroney: Fri 4th Eamonn Spillane
Kilruane: Sat 5th Flan Dwan & Jimmy McCarthy
Cloughjordan Sun 6th Breda Whelan & Anne Williams

READERS:

Fri 4th Ardcroney: Mary Rose Cleary - Reader & Prayers
Sat 5th Kilruane: Mary Maher - R Ella Kennedy - P
Sun 6th Cloughjordan: John Kevin Ryan - Reader & Prayers

GREETERS & WELCOMERS – FEBRUARY

Ardcroney: Pat Haverly --- Kilruane: Anne Kelly
Cloughjordan: Jimmy Cahill & Jim O'Meara

MONEY MATTERS: 21st, 22nd & 23rd January

Basket collection: €517.70 - Parish Development Fund: €721.02

Many thanks for your continued sup towards our Parish.

ENROLMENT DATES FOR FIRST HOLY COMMUNION AND CONFIRMATION

Ardcroney: Tuesday 8th February at 7.30pm

Cloughjordan: Wednesday 9th February at 7.30pm

Kilruane: Thursday 10th February at 7.30pm

St Vincent de Paul: The local conference of the St Vincent de Paul Society is grateful to parishioners for kind donations to our annual appeal. In times, when gathering money for charities is becoming increasingly challenging, your support was very welcome. We want to convey to you our appreciation of your generosity and to let you know that your donation will be put to good use in the locality to bring assistance to those in need of support. Wishing you a peaceful 2022 with abundant blessings.
The local confidential contact number for SVP is 087 2661413.

MacDonaghs Lotto 24/01/2022. Numbers drawn: 9-24-25-26. No Jackpot Winner.

8x€25: Aoife Peters, Beechwood; Donagh Finch, c/o Margaret Prout; Brendan Hogan, Rathfarnham; Maria Quinlisk, Loughane; Joan Clarke, Ardcroney; Sean Dwyer, c/o Ger Maher; Ned Quinn, Ballinwear; Michael Hayes, Ballygibbon.
Jackpot next week €2,400. Thanks for your continued support.

ST. BRIGID'S DAY - Lá Fhéile Bríde - celebrates Ireland's only female patron saint on February 1st. **People believed St Brigid crossed through the land on the eve of her feast day and gave blessings and protection to homes and farms where crosses were hung in her honour. There were many regional styles and variations throughout Ireland with different materials used. Families would recite prayers, bless the rushes or straw with holy water and then each make the crosses. They would hang them over the door and around the home to welcome St Brigid. Many households kept the cross each year in the under-thatch of the house and you could tell how old a house was or how long the family had lived there by the number of crosses in the roof!**

Through the intercession of St. Blaise, Bishop and Martyr
May you be free from all ailments of the throat and all other sickness.
In the name of the Father, and the Son and the Holy Spirit. Amen

