#### **CLOUGHJORDAN PARISH NEWSLETTER – 3rd December 2023**

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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: Oh, that you would tear the heavens open and come down. Second Reading: We are waiting for our Lord Jesus Christ to be revealed. Gospel: Stay awake, because you do not know when the master of the house is coming.

# **MASS INTENTIONS:**

Fri 1<sup>st</sup> Ardcroney: Jimmy Donnelly

Jim McMahon

Sat 2<sup>nd</sup> Kilruane: Tim Flaherty & deceased family members

Sun 3<sup>rd</sup> Cloughjordan: Josie Whelan (1<sup>st</sup> Anniversary)

Willie Maher

Deceased members of the Kilruane MacDonaghs Club

Wed 6<sup>th</sup> Cloughjordan: Maura & Tom Shaw

Sat 9<sup>th</sup> Kilruane: Doreen Britten

Sun 10<sup>th</sup> Cloughjordan: Colette Lalor (1<sup>st</sup> Anniversary) and the deceased members

of the Ryan family, Cloughkeating.

Jackie & Annie Reddan

Breda Hill - Michael McDonald - Sheila McDonald

Mary O'Meara, Cloughkeating

Oliver Naughton.

RECENTLY DECEASED: Nuala White, Née Shanahan, Sprucevilla, Roscrea

sister to Gertie White, Ballycapple. May she rest in peace.

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

<u>CLOUGHJORDAN WEEKDAY MASSES</u>: Wednesday & Thursday at 9.30am <u>Friday 8th – The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary at 11am.</u>

CLOUGHJORDAN LAY LITURGY: Monday & Tuesday at 9.30am

Mon 4<sup>th</sup> Presider: May Casey : Eucharistic Minister: Margaret O'Neill Tue 5<sup>th</sup> Presider: Gemma Brugha : Eucharistic Minister: Anne Heffernan

<u>WEEKDAY READERS:</u> Mon 4<sup>th</sup> Marion Cahill, Tues 5<sup>th</sup> Ger Heffernan, Wed 6<sup>th</sup> Margaret O'Rourke, Thurs 7<sup>th</sup> Anna McLoughlin, Fri 8<sup>th</sup> Una MacNamara.

## GREETERS & WELCOMERS - DECEMBER

Ardcroney: Liam Cleary ... Kilruane: Michael Kennedy

Cloughjordan: Seamus Bowe & Jim O'Meara

#### **EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS:**

Ardcroney Fri 8<sup>th</sup> Eamonn Spillane

Kilruane Sat 9<sup>th</sup> Fiona Conroy & Tom Kirby Cloughjordan Sun 10<sup>th</sup> Shibi Joe & Anne Williams.

## **READERS:**

Ardcroney Fri 8<sup>th</sup> Noel Coonan – Reader & Prayers

Kilruane: Sat 9<sup>th</sup> Peadar Walsh – R: Bernard Delahunty – Prayers

Cloughjordan Sun 10<sup>th</sup> Edmond O'Connor – Reader & Prayers

## MONEY MATTERS - last weekend:

Baskets: €834.00 --- Development Fund: €220.50

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

**LECTIO DIVINA** for Advent on Mondays in the Parish office at 8pm.

Lectio Divina is a method of praying with scripture. Described by Pope Francis as "Listening to what the Lord wishes to tell us in his word and letting us be transformed by the Spirit. All Welcome.

Come and enjoy our Seasonal Presentation in the lead up to Christmas. "CAROLS WHILE WE WAIT" with Ardcroney, Cloughjordan and Kilruane Choirs and Community.

Kilruane Church on Thursday December 14<sup>th</sup> at 8pm Cloughjordan Church on Sunday December 17<sup>th</sup> at 8pm Ardcroney Church on Tuesday December 19<sup>th</sup> at 8pm Voluntary donations welcome on the night for Alzheimers and UNICEF.

FINANCE MEETING: Will take place on Thursday 7th in the Parish Office at 8pm.

<u>CLOUGHJORDAN PARISH COUNCIL</u>: Meeting will take place on Monday 11<sup>th</sup> in the Parish Office at 8pm. All members are asked to attend.

<u>St. Vincent De Paul Society</u> Despite the additional cost-of-living support payments made by the Government, there are many people who continue to struggle to meet basic family expenses. This struggle becomes even more difficult on special occasions such as Christmas. The local SVP conference is calling on the generosity of this parish to support those in need in our community either through the Parish Collection envelope, Blue SVP Envelope, online to svp.ie (and nominate Mid-West) or by donating to the SVP collection box in local shops. Anyone finding themselves in need this Christmas should phone 087 2661413 or 061317327. Be assured that any request will be handled sensitively and confidentially.

<u>MacDonaghs Lotto</u> 27/11/2023. Nos drawn: 2-13-23-27. No Jackpot Winner. 8x€25: Michelle Coughlan, c/o Clough Inn; Eoin & Shauna, c/o Teresa Williams (x2); Emily O'Meara, Knockearl; Tommy Hogan, Kylebeg; Eileen Brereton, Cloughjordan; Martin Grace, c/o Noel Coonan; Ger Darcy, Ardcroney. Jackpot next week €5,100, Thanks for your continued support.

Christmas Mass Bouquets available in the Parish Office Parish Office opening hours: Monday, Wednesday & Thursday 10.00 to 3pm