

# Parish Newsletter

Fourth Sunday  
Ordinary Time  
Year B

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## A TEACHING THAT IS NEW

A friend once told me a story about his favourite lecturer in college. He met him while crossing the campus one day, stopped and asked the lecturer how he was. The lecturer paused for a long moment, thinking about it, before eventually replying, 'I'm fine, thanks for asking.' At the time my friend wasn't sure what to make of it, though the unusual encounter stuck in his mind for years afterwards. On reflection, he appreciated that the lecturer had thought about his question, and to this day it has made him stop and think every time he asks someone, or is asked, 'how are you?'. The lecturer had taken an everyday question, and everyday language, and infused it with new meaning.

The people who listen to Jesus' teaching in today's Gospel are used to hearing scribes and teachers in the synagogue. But with Jesus they witness something new. We don't know what Jesus was teaching that day, or what kind of language he was using, but what struck the people was that he taught with authority. He had drawn them in, but they couldn't quite put their finger on it. 'What does it all mean?' they asked each other. He had made them think, and they recognised that he was offering something different.

Triona Doherty



## **Blessing of Candles and Throats**

### **Milford**

The Blessing of Candles, Throats and St. Bridget's Crosses will take place in **Milford** on Monday evening at 7pm.

### **Kerrykeel**

The Blessing of Candles, Throats and St. Bridget's Crosses will take place in **Kerrykeel** on Tuesday evening at 7pm.



<p><b>St. Peter's Church, Milford</b></p> <p><b>Saturday 31st</b> 7: 30 pm John &amp; Nan Gallagher (Anniv)</p> <p><b>Sunday 1st</b> <b>Fourth Sunday In Ordinary Time</b> 11: 00 am Intention</p> <p><b>Monday</b> 7: 00 pm Blessing of Candles, Throats &amp; St Bridget's Crosses.</p> <p><b>Thursday 5th</b> 10: 00 am Sally Sweeney (Anniv)</p> <p><b>Friday 6th</b> <b>February First Friday</b> 7: 00 pm Monthly Anniversary Mass For Deceased</p> <p><b>Saturday 7th</b> 7: 30 pm Willie &amp; Kathleen Harrison (Anniv) &amp; Gretta Hastings</p> <p><b>Sunday 8th</b> <b>Fifth Sunday In Ordinary Time</b> 11: 00 am Intention</p>	<p><b>Eucharistic Adoration</b> <u>Tuesdays - Kerrykeel</u> 9: 00 am – 8: 00 pm</p> <p><u>Thursday's - Milford</u> 10: 00 am – 10: 00 pm (Directed Holy Hour from 9: 00 pm every second Thursday of the month)</p> <p><b>Confessions</b> <b>Milford</b> After 7: 30 pm Mass every Saturday <b>Kerrykeel</b> 5: 30 pm on Saturday's</p>	<p><b>Our Lady of Lourdes Church, Kerrykeel</b></p> <p><b>Saturday 31st</b> 6: 00 pm Intention</p> <p><b>Sunday 1st</b> <b>Fourth Sunday In Ordinary Time</b> 9: 30 am Intention</p> <p><b>Tuesday</b> 7:00pm Blessing of Candles, Throats &amp; St Bridget's Crosses.</p> <p><b>Saturday 7th</b> 6: 00 pm Francie Friel (Anniv)</p> <p><b>Sunday 8th</b> <b>Fifth Sunday In Ordinary Time</b> 9: 30 am Intention</p>
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**Please Remember in your Prayers:**

**Bernie Finneran**, Drumbern, who died last weekend and whose funeral took place in Milford on Tuesday.

**And all those whose anniversaries occur at this time, especially:**

John & Nan Gallagher, Michael & Margaret Rose Friel, Danny Mc Gettigan, Sally Sweeney & Patsy McLaughlin.



**St. Vincent De Paul**

The local St. Vincent De Paul number  
**086 0611040** .

**White Strand Utd & Rathmullan Celtic Football Clubs**

Last Man Standing in aid of Rathmullan Playground Extension Starting 21st Feb Pick the winner of a Premier League match each week to become the ultimate

'Last Man Standing'.

Prize Money - €300.00

Entry Fee - €10.00

(must be received before Week 1 games commence).

For Entries and Games Selection Card contact: Alan 085 7501579

Or email: [playgroundLMS@gmail.com](mailto:playgroundLMS@gmail.com)  
[martintsheridan@eircom.net](mailto:martintsheridan@eircom.net)

**Milford Foroige**

A meeting to set up Foroige in Milford will take place on Thurs 5th Feb from 6:45pm - 7:45pm in the Parochial House. Any adult volunteers interested in helping to set this up, please attend.

**Free Health Fair**

Milford GAA club are hosting a free Health Fair on Sat 7th February from 10am - 2pm in the Public Services Centre Milford. There will be blood pressure and blood sugar testing in addition to information stands on Smoking Cessation, Diet and Nutrition, Drug and Alcohol misuse, Citizens Information service, Mental Health, Milford Community Library, Social Proscribing, Couch to 5k, Physical Therapy and Injury Rehabilitation. Everyone welcome. Lotto Jackpot this week is €720.

**Charity Clothes Collection**

The "Homes From Donegal" clothes collection will take place throughout the county on today Sunday 8th February. It will take place here in Milford at the Milford Hall (supper room) from 12pm - 3pm. Clothes, belts, shoes and handbags gladly accepted. Proceeds will go towards building houses for families whose homes were destroyed in war in the Central African Republic.

**Crochet & Needlework Classes**

Crochet and needlework classes will resume in The Old School, Kerrykeel, on Tues 3rd Feb from 8-10pm and Wed morning 4th from 11am-1pm. Contact Kathleen on 9150273.

**Rathmullan Community Christmas Lights**

A meeting to discuss Christmas Lights For The Village, will be held in St. Joseph's Church, in the gallery meeting room, on Mon 2nd Feb at 7.30pm. Please come along and support this venture so we can all look forward to a more colourful and sparkly Christmas this year.

**Rathmullan & District Resource Centre**

Knitting & Crochet Class (tutor Kathleen Friel) starting Feb, Tues mornings for 8 weeks 11am – 1pm. To register please contact Ursula by email at [rdrc10@gmail.com](mailto:rdrc10@gmail.com) or 9158724. Integrated Meditation Course starts Thurs 5th Feb 6-7.30pm and Fri 6th 10.30 - 12pm. Contact Ruth 087 1121 881 Email: [cathameditation@gmail.com](mailto:cathameditation@gmail.com). Sailing Club AGM will take place Tuesday 27th January 8.00pm - 9.30pm.

**Gaeil Fhánada**

Gaeil Fhánada Lotto Results - No jackpot winner. Nos were 01, 07, 09, 13, 19. €100 Mark Sweeney, The Ross. €50 Michael Shiels, Ballylar. Next week's Jackpot €4,500. (Máire and Danny on duty). Membership is Adults - €40, Student (Over 18) - €25, Juvenile (Under 18) - €15 to be paid by March 1st. Presentation Dinner/ Supper Night is provisionally set for 21st Feb.

**Rosnackill Tourism/Activity Centre**

Want to find your artistic vent then why not join our Art Class, starting on the 4th Feb at 8pm. Want to learn how to knit or sew that perfect little item, we are forming a group where you could learn or share a craft, starting 9th Feb at 8pm. For more info on any of the courses we are running or if there is any course that you would like to see in the centre, contact us on (074) 9192926.

**Anam Cara Donegal**

Anam Cara Donegal meeting on Thurs 19th Feb at Dillons Hotel, Letterkenny, 7:30pm - 9:30pm. Anam Cara Services are available free of charge to all bereaved parents.

**First Friday Calls**

The monthly First Friday calls to the sick and housebound in the parish will take place this coming week.

**Kerrykeel: Thursday Afternoon**

**Milford: Friday**

**Items For Newsletter**

Please submit all items for the weekly newsletter no later than 1pm on a Thursday.

**Church Collections for last weekend were:**

**Milford:** €1369.00  
**Kerrykeel:** €267.00

*Many thanks for your contributions to the Parish.*

*Thought for the Week*

Kindness is more important than wisdom, and the recognition of this is the beginning of wisdom.

T. I. Rubin

**Milford Hall Bingo**  
Bingo Sunday Night at 8:30pm, in the Hall.  
**Snowball tonight is:**  
€8,000. 00  
**Second Snowball**  
€2,950. 00



*Church Ministries*



**Milford**

**Ministers of the Word**

**Sat 7th February**

C. Dyke & Liam Ferry

**Sun 8th February**

W. Felle & Savannah Friel

**Ministers of the Eucharist**

**Sat 7th February**

P. Sweeney, E. Gillespie,

B. O'Donnell & K. Logan

**Sun 8th February**

T. Reynolds, S. Lynch,

K. Ferry & C. O'Sullivan

**Children's Liturgy**

**Sun 8th February Team C**

Fifth Sunday

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**Sun 15th February Team D**

Sixth Sunday

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**Kerrykeel**

**Ministers of the Word**

**Sat 7th February**

Brian McGarvey

**Sun 8th February**

Brid Dougherty

**Ministers of the Eucharist**

**Sat 7th February**

Noreen McFadden

**Sun 8th February**

Gretta McFadden