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## Open The Door

‘Not knowing  
when the dawn will come  
I open every door’  
*Emily Dickenson*



The open tomb is a big part of the Easter story. When Mary of Magdala visits the tomb on the third day after Jesus is crucified, she finds that the stone has been moved away. Along with Peter and the other disciples, the realisation gradually dawns that something wonderful has happened. Jesus is risen from the dead!

Easter is a time for openness. The hearts of Mary and the disciples were opened that first Easter morning, and they suddenly understood what Jesus had been trying to teach them all along. In rising from the dead, Jesus had broken down their barriers. Are our hearts open? Are we ready to hear the good news?

Look where the garden door is open wide!  
Come to the garden, there's no need to hide.  
God has broken down the fences  
And he stands with arms wide open,  
come along inside!

from 'An Easter Carol'  
*Damien Lundy*

# HAPPY EASTER

### St. Peter's Church, Milford

**Saturday 4th**      **Holy Saturday**  
8:00pm              Easter Vigil

**Sunday 5th**        **Easter Sunday**  
6:00am      Glenvar Stations—Easter Dawn Mass  
11:00 am    Sally Mc Bride                              (Anniv)

#### No Weekday Masses

**Saturday 11th**  
7:30pm      Mary, Martin & PJ Buchannan      (Anniv)

**Sunday 12th**        **Second Sunday of Easter**  
11:00 am      Neil Mc Callum                              (Anniv)

#### Eucharistic Adoration

Tuesdays - Kerrykeel  
9:00 am – 8:00 pm

Thursday's - Milford  
10:00 am – 10:00 pm  
(Directed Holy Hour from  
9:00 pm every second  
Thursday of the month)

#### Confessions

##### Milford

After 7:30 pm Mass  
every Saturday

##### Kerrykeel

5:30 pm on Saturday's

### Our Lady of Lourdes Church, Kerrykeel

**Saturday 4th**      **Holy Saturday**  
8:00 pm              Easter Vigil

**Sunday 5th**        **Easter Sunday**  
6:00am      Glenvar Stations—Easter Dawn Mass  
9:30 am      Rosina Deery                              1st Anniv  
                         & Eddie Deery                              (Anniv)

#### No Weekday Masses

**Saturday 11th**  
6:00 pm      Hugh & Bridie Logue                      (Anniv)

**Sunday 12th**        **Second Sunday of Easter**  
9:30 am      Kathleen Mc Ginley                      (Anniv)

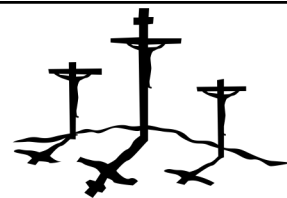
## Please Remember in your Prayers:

**Margaret Mc Ginty**, Ray, Who died last weekend and whose funeral took place in Rathmullan on Tuesday.

**Rosina Deery**, Monaghan/Kerrykeel, Whose 1st Anniversary Mass takes place in Kerrykeel this weekend.

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

Sally Mc Bride, Eamon Gallagher, John Coyle, Tommy Mc Taggart & Eddie Deery.



### St. Vincent De Paul

The local St. Vincent De Paul number  
086 0611040 .

### Baptisms—Milford and Kerrykeel

Baptisms in Milford can be arranged for a Saturday at 4pm only and Sunday at 12noon. In Kerrykeel on a Saturday at 5pm.

### Anniversary Masses in Milford

An Anniversary Mass for those deceased over 10 years can be arranged for a weekday morning Mass in Milford. For all other Anniversaries please book early to avoid disappointment.

### Items For Newsletter

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

### Swimming Bus

A bus leaves the top of the town Milford at 10am every Monday for swimming and aqua aerobics in the Aura Leisure Centre, Letterkenny. New members welcome. Contact Mary 9153279 or Bernie 9153297.

### Support Aoibheann's Pink Tie

Family friendly walk/jog on Portsalon Beach on Easter Monday at 10am. Register at Warden Car Park and put a donation in the bucket. Easter Egg Draw lines are available at Dunleavy's XL Portsalon & Lighthouse Tavern, Araheera.. All proceeds go to support children who are attending Ireland's only cancer treatment unit — St. John's Ward in Crumlin Hospital.

### Milford Parish Community Games Annual

#### 5k

Run/Walk takes place on Friday 10th April at 7:30pm. Registration at Moyle View Park from 6pm. Refreshments afterwards in the clubhouse. Entry €8 for runners and €5 for walkers. All proceeds to the Irish Heart Foundation in memory of the late Kathleen Hagan. All welcome.

### Local Dancepl3y Classes

Dancepl3y is the worlds most interactive and playful dance program. Local Kids, teens and adults classes will be back in Letterkenny, Milford and Rossnakill starting April 13th. Places are limited for all classes so please register at [teresa@dancepl3y.com](mailto:teresa@dancepl3y.com) to avoid disappointment. For more information on Class times and locations contact Teresa at 0860848312 or [teresa@dancepl3y.com](mailto:teresa@dancepl3y.com)

### Milford Slimming World

How would you like to look and feel this summer, come along to Milford Slimming World Group every Tuesday night, and you will look and feel great. And if you pick up the Bella magazine on Tuesday the 7<sup>th</sup> of April you can join or rejoin for €9 instead of €18, this offer will be valid until Monday 20<sup>th</sup> of April.

### Children In Crossfire

Guest Tea Party and Dance in the Milford Inn, Wednesday 8th April with tea starting at 8pm. Dancing 9:30pm—11:30pm, music by Anne Biddie. Admission : € 10 or Dance only € 5.

### Rathford Community Health Forum

The Community Health Forum for the Ramelton, Rathmullan and Milford has now been established and will go under the name of Rathford Community Health Forum. The Primary Care Team, Community reps and Community Health Forums hope to work together to improve the health and well being of the community in a co-ordinated and integrated way. Both recognise that health is influenced by a wide range of social, environmental and of course economic factors. Community Health Forums across the County have done work on a variety of issues such as mental health, isolated rural men, suicide prevention, programmes for older people, for carers, young women etc. The next meeting will take place on Monday 13th April @ 5:30pm in Milford & District Resource (IRD) anyone interested in getting involved or want find out more are more than welcome to attend.

### SEAI WarmerHomes Scheme

Free House Insulation available under the SEAI WarmerHomes Scheme. If you own your own house and received the winter fuel allowance or if you are on job seekers allowance for over 6 months and have children under 7 years, you may be eligible for free attic and cavity house insulation. For more information contact Terence on (086) 3192721.

### Church Collections for last weekend were:

Milford: €1,443.00  
Kerrykeel: €270.00

Many thanks for your contributions to the Parish.

### *Thought for the Week*

I cannot give you the formula for success, but I can give you the formula for Failure, which is; Try to please everybody.  
*Herbert Bayard*

### Milford Hall Bingo

Bingo Sunday Night at 8:30pm, in the Hall.

**Snowball tonight is:**

€8,000. 00

**Second Snowball**

€3,400. 00



## Church Ministries



### Milford

#### Ministers of the Word

**Sat 11th April**

F. Mc Ateer & K. Boucher

**Sun 12th April**

W. Felle & S. Kelly Cullen

#### Ministers of the Eucharist

**Sat 11th April**

M. Mc Nulty, O. Gallagher,  
M.E. Gillespie & E. Dyke

**Sun 12th April**

C. Mc Gettigan, M. Mc Fadden,  
M. Mc Rory & Bernie O Donnell

### Children's Liturgy

**Sun 12th April Team D**

Second Sunday  
of Easter  
Year B

**Sun 19th April Team A**

Third Sunday  
of Easter  
Year B

### Kerrykeel

#### Ministers of the Word

**Sat 11th April**

Rebecca Ward

**Sun 12th April**

Regina Mc Gettigan

#### Ministers of the Eucharist

**Sat 11th April**

Winnie Sandilands

**Sun 12th April**

Gretta Mc Fadden