

Parish Newsletter

**Palm Sunday
Year C**

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Playing our Part

We tend to be uncomfortable with audience participation, especially when it is sprung on us at the last minute. Many people get embarrassed or clam up when a microphone is thrust in their face. TV audience members can even look uncomfortable when expected to sing or clap along to a performance. I was once cajoled up on stage with a friend during a comedy show, and I still cringe at the memory.

More than most, today's liturgy calls for our participation. First, we are caught up in the drama of Jesus' triumphant entrance into Jerusalem. We are comfortable enough with this – holding up our palm branches and imagining ourselves celebrating and supporting Jesus as he arrives into town riding on a colt.

But our participation takes on a darker tone during the reading of the Passion, and we soon find ourselves joining in with those who question and accuse Jesus. Before long we are shouting 'Crucify him! Crucify him!' and taunting Jesus on the cross to 'save himself if he is the Christ of God'. It is enough to make even the most complacent among us uncomfortable.

Palm Sunday and Good Friday are the only two occasions when the congregation is invited to take part in the reading of the Gospel. What strikes you as you play your part today?

Triona Doherty

St. Peter's Church, Milford

Saturday 19th

7:30 pm Intention

Sunday 20th Palm Sunday

11:00 am Kathleen Kelly & Deceased members of the Mc Laughlin & Kelly Families

Monday 21st

7:45am Intention

Tuesday 22nd

7:45am Special Intention

Wednesday 23rd

7:45am Intention

Thursday 24th Holy Thursday

11:00am Mass of the Chrism,
St Eunan's Cathedral, Letterkenny

7:00pm The Lords Supper

Friday 25th Good Friday

3:00pm Good Friday Service

8:00pm Stations of the Cross

Saturday 26th Holy Saturday

8:00pm pm Easter Vigil

Sunday 27th Easter Sunday

6:45am Glenvar Stations– Easter Dawn Mass

11:00 am Intention

Eucharistic Adoration

Tuesdays - Kerrykeel

9:00 am – 8:00 pm

Thursday's - Milford

10:00 am – 10:00 pm

(Directed Holy Hour

from 9:00pm—

10:00pm every

Thursday During Lent))

Confessions

Milford

After 7:30 pm Mass
every Saturday

Kerrykeel

5:30 pm on Saturday's

Our Lady of Lourdes Church, Kerrykeel

Saturday 19th

6:00 pm Grace Friel & Peter Devlin (Anniv)

Sunday 20th Palm Sunday

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Please Remember in your Prayers

All those whose anniversaries occur at this time, especially:

Bernard Mc Laughlin, Ronan Sweeney, Grace Friel, Peter Devlin, Oonagh Doherty, Annie Doherty, Kathleen Kelly & the Deceased members of the Kelly & Mc Laughlin Families.



Local SVdeP number 086 0611040

This is a dedicated confidential number, just leave a voicemail and a trained SVdeP volunteer will be in touch.

Rosary

There is a rosary every Tues at 3pm in St. Peter's Church. All welcome, tea served.

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.

Upcoming Parish Events

Croagh Patrick

We hope to take youth group to climb Croagh Patrick on Monday 2nd May. This trip is open to all ages interested. Under 12's must be accompanied by a parent/guardian. A free bus will be provided for this trip.

Lough Derq Pilgrimage

A 3 day Parish Pilgrimage to Lough Deg will take place from the 4th July.

More details later.

Confirmation

Sat 14th May in St. Catherine's, Oughterlin @ 11am.

Service of Light Sat 8th May in St. Catherine's Oughtrelin @ 7pm .

Kerrykeel & Milford First Communion

Saturday 23rd April @ 11am in both Churches.

The Garment of Suffering

Please leave any cloth you wish to have included in the Garment of Suffering at Easter in the baskets provided in each Church. All cloths to be left in before **Sun 20th March (Palm Sunday)**.

Adoration

No Adoration on Thurs 17th or Thurs 24th March. Will resume on Thurs 31st March.

First Friday Calls — Note Change

The monthly first Friday calls to the sick and housebound in the parish has been **changed** this month for Easter and will take place this coming **Mon 21st & Tues 22nd March**

Kerrykeel: Monday Afternoon.

Milford: Tuesday.

First Friday Mass

Please note that April First Friday Mass for the deceased will take place on **Friday 8th April @7:00pm**.

Confessions For Easter

Milford Monday 21st @ 7pm

Glenvar Monday 21st @ 8pm

Kerrykeel Monday 21st @ 9pm

A number of priests will be available at all of the above. Confessions are also available after morning Mass .

Annual Golan Pad Walk

The Annual Golan Pad Walk will take place on Good Friday 25th. Leaving the Square @ 5:30pm. All proceeds in Aid of The Franciscan Capuchins of Ards Friary .

Milford Care of the Aged

We would like to thank everyone for making our Card drive a very successful night. For everyone that played on the night and for all that bought tickets prior to the event. For all the hands that helped out and to the Village Inn in Kerrykeel for sponsoring the food on the night. We really do appreciate this. Thank you.

Glenvar School Committee

Glenvar School Committee invite tenders from registered contractors to quote for the re-roofing of the rear of the school and other works associated with same. A full schedule of works to be carried out is available from Teresa McCloskey 074 91 50269, Mobile 086 3342346.

Kerrykeel Choir Practice

A Choir practice for Easter will be held in Our Lady of Lourdes Kerrykeel on Monday at 7pm. All members please attend new members welcome.

Trócaire Boxes

The collection in each Church on Holy Thursday evening is for Trócaire. It would be appreciated if you would kindly change the contents of your Trócaire boxes and use envelope provided for the collection. Thank you.



Church Ministries



Church Collections for last weekend were:

Milford: €1,320.00
Kerrykeel: €315.00

Many thanks for your contributions to the Parish.

Thought for the Week

*In matters of style,
swim the current.
In matters of
principles stand
like a rock.
T. Jefferson*

Milford Hall Bingo

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

Snowball tonight is:
€8,000. 00

Second Snowball
€2,900. 00

Milford

Ministers of the Word

Sat 26th March

E. Gallagher, P. Mc Laughlin & A. Doherty

Sun 27th March

S. Friel & K. Carr

Ministers of the Eucharist

Sat 26th March

M.E Gillespie. E. Dyke & H. Doherty

Sun 27th March

S. O Donnell, K. Ferry & C. O Sullivan

Children's Liturgy

Sun 27th Mar Team B

Easter Sunday
Year C.

Sun 3rd April Team C

Second Sunday
of Easter
Year C

Kerrykeel

Ministers of the Word

Sat 26th March

Joe Harkin

Sun 27th March

Brid Dougherty

Ministers of the Eucharist

Sat 26th March

Brian Mc Garvey

Sun 27th March

Gretta Mc Fadden