

Parish Newsletter

Third Sunday in
Ordinary Time
Year A

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THE DEEP END The choice is ours

You may have heard this story before: 'An old Cherokee is teaching his grandson about life. "A battle is going on inside all of us," he said to the boy. "It is a terrible fight and it is between two wolves. One is evil – anger, envy, sorrow, regret, greed, arrogance, self-pity, guilt, resentment, inferiority, lies, false pride, superiority, and ego. The other is good – joy, peace, love, hope, serenity, humility, kindness, benevolence, empathy, generosity, truth, compassion, and faith. This same fight is going on inside you – and inside every other person, too." The grandson thought about it for a minute and then asked his grandfather, "Which wolf will win?" The old Cherokee simply replied, "The one you feed".'

In a way, it is as simple as that. Each one of us faces hundreds of choices every day. Mostly, they are minor decisions that may not seem important at the time. But they all add up to something. They make us the person we are. Do our choices make us the kind of person who follows Jesus, or the kind of person who goes in the opposite direction?

We can stay stuck where we are, repeating the same old patterns, or we can leave it all behind and choose a new path, like Peter, Andrew, James and John did. They were called, and they took decisive action. This initial choice to follow Jesus was reinforced and remade, day in and day out, during their discipleship journey, just as it is on ours.

Tríona Doherty



St. Peter's Church, Milford

Saturday 21st

7:30pm Jean Conlon (Month's Mind)

Sunday 22nd Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

11:00am Bernard Mc Paul (Anniv)

No weekday Masses

Saturday 28th

7:30pm Brid Gallagher (Month's Mind)

Sunday 29th Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

11:00am Bernie Finneran (Anniv)

Eucharistic Adoration

Tuesdays - Kerrykeel

9:00 am – 8:00 pm

Thursday's - Milford

10:00 am – 10:00 pm

Confessions

Milford

After 7:30 pm Mass
every Saturday

Kerrykeel

5:30 pm on Saturday's

Our Lady of Lourdes Church, Kerrykeel

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6:00pm Intention

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Please Remember in your Prayers:

Jean Conlon, whose Month's Mind Mass takes place this weekend.

All those whose Anniversaries occur at this time: James Gallagher, Evelyn Mc Devitt, John Crerand Snr, Margaret Friel & Bernard Mc Paul.



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.

Dancing Milford Hall

Dancing at the Milford Hall continues on Thursday evenings from 8:30-10:30pm.

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.

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.

Mulroy Academy soccer -Fanad

The club's registration evening will take place on Sunday 22nd January at 7 p.m. in Rossnakill Resource Ctr. This registration is for U8-U16 players who will be participating in Donegal Schoolboys League competitions for the 2017 season. The total fee is €30 which covers the €25 DSL fee and a €5 fee for the club to cover insurance costs. All new players and volunteers are always welcome!

Fr. Damien

Fr. Damien will be returning to the Parish the weekend of the **Saturday 28th & Sunday 29th January**. Anyone who wishes to receive his individual blessing can do so after Mass in Milford on the Saturday or Sunday. Fr. Damien regrets that due to the time frame between Masses he is unable to offer his blessing after Mass in Kerrykeel. All are welcome to receive his blessing in Milford.

Dates to Remember—2017

Ash Wednesday - 1st March 2017.

Easter Sunday – 16th April 2017.

Confirmation

Saturday 1st April in St. Peter's Church, Milford @ 11am.

Kerrykeel & Milford First Communion

Saturday 13th May @ 11am in both Churches.

Graveyard Mass in Tully Cemetery

Sunday 30th July @ 3pm.

Graveyard Mass in Milford Cemetery

Sunday 6th August @ 3pm.

Donegal ETB Further Education & Training Fair

"Step into your Future" -Are you an adult interested in returning to education or are currently engaged in learning and considering progression onto further study – then this event is for you - Donegal ETB Further Education & Training Fair – Mt Errigal Hotel, Letterkenny, Wednesday, 25th January 11am – 3.00 pm. Open and free to all adults.

Foreige

"Foreige's Big Brother Big Sister Programme (BBBS) is Ireland's first youth mentoring programme proven to have positive outcomes for young people participating. The young person and adult volunteer mentor are matched based on common interests and personality. This exciting youth mentoring programme matches a young person (10-18) with an adult volunteer mentor. The basic idea is that a friendship will form between the young person and adult volunteer mentor that will promote the positive development of the young person. We are looking specifically for adult male volunteers in the Milford area. Please call Peter on 086 048 4459".

Antenatal classes

Antenatal classes will commence in The Ramelton Health Centre on Wednesday 1st February 2017 at 3pm. For further details please phone one of the Public Health Nurses at the following numbers. Ramelton 9151527 / Rathmullan 9158322 / Milford 9153108.

Rlnka Milford Kids classes

Weekly classes have started back in Milford and we still have limited places available in some classes. We take kids from ages 3-12 in iBOP, Bounce, Rlnka dance and Dramafit classes. Call Teresa on 0860848312 for more information.

Animal Welfare

Do you have any unwanted gifts that could be used for raffle prizes in Aid of Animal Welfare. strayanimalwelfare@gmail.com

Church Collections for last weekend were:

Milford: €1,060.00

Kerrykeel: €295.00

Many thanks for your contributions to the Parish.

Thought for the Week

Peace is not the absence of trouble.
Peace is the presence of God.

Unknown

Milford Hall Bingo

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

Snowball tonight is:
€8,000.00

Second Snowball
€5,000.00



Church Ministries



Milford

Ministers of the Word

Sat 28th January

J. Mc Groy & C. Cushnan

Sun 29th January

G. Mc Gee & F. Ferry

Ministers of the Eucharist

Sat 28th January

K. Logan, M. Mc Nulty
& O. Gallagher

Sun 29th January

T. Reynolds, S. Lynch
& Bernie O Donnell

Children's Liturgy

Sun 29th Jan Team A
Fourth Sunday
in Ordinary Time

Sun 5th Feb Team B
Fifth Sunday
in Ordinary Time

Kerrykeel

Ministers of the Word

Sat 28th January

Joe Harkin & Emma Hunter

Sun 29th January

Aine Mc Ateer

Ministers of the Eucharist

Sat 28th January

Brain Mc Garvey

Sun 29th January

Moira Stilvern