

Parish Newsletter

Fifth Sunday
of Lent
Year B

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'NOW THE HOUR HAS COME FOR THE SON OF MAN TO BE GLORIFIED'

There is a very short parable in today's Gospel describing a seed which has fallen on the ground and eventually dies. It may remain a single seed or it may yield a rich harvest. This concept of losing what one has to give way to something new and life giving is frightening for some. We get so attached and lifestyle changes are tough. In this passage Jesus knows that his hour has come; this is his crisis moment. But Jesus' time of anguish moves from a cry of 'save me' to one of glorifying God 'let it be as You not I would have it'. We are at an 'hour' in terms of climate justice. This is the time where big decisions and commitments must be made and there is no other option but to opt for life; to listen to God's will, not ours. The priorities of wealthy nations must change, must turn outward and take risks if we are all to experience peace and security.

We remember the horrendous storms which battered Ireland last year and which will continue to do so as our climates change. We are called to be stewards of the earth and this means making different choices:

'I would like to ask all those who have positions of responsibility in economic, political and social life, and all men and women of goodwill: Let us be protectors of creation, protectors of God's plan inscribed in nature, protectors of one another and of the environment.'

Pope Francis



HERE I AM, LORD

Lenten Trócaire Boxes are available in both Churches, please take one for your home.

St. Peter's Church, Milford

Saturday 21st

7: 30 pm Kathleen Doherty (1st Anniv)

Sunday 22nd Fifth Sunday of Lent

11: 00 am Sinead Mc Bride (Anniv)

Monday 23rd - Friday 27th

8:00am Intentions

Saturday 28th

7: 30 pm Rita Moore. (Anniv)

Sunday 29th Palm Sunday of the Lords Passion

11: 00 am Paddy O Donnell (Months Mind)

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 21st

6: 00 pm Pat Mc Fadden (Anniv)

Sunday 22nd Fifth Sunday of Lent

9: 30 am Intention

Tuesday 24th

10:00am Intention

Wed 25th

10:00am Intention

Saturday 28th

6: 00 pm Eddie & James Mc Fadden (Anniv)

Sunday 29th Palm Sunday of the Lords Passion

9: 30 am Intention

Please Remember in your Prayers

Jennie Gallagher, Ballyare, Months Mind Mass takes place in the family home on Monday @ 7.30pm

Kathleen Doherty, Gortmacall, whose 1st Anniv Mass takes place in Milford this weekend

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

Pat McFadden, Sinead McBride & Annie Doherty



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.

Kerrykeel Choir Practice

A Choir practice for Easter will be held in Our Lady of Lourdes Kerrykeel on Sunday at 7pm. All welcome.

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.

Annual Golan Pad Walk

The Annual Golan Pad walk will take place on Good Friday the 3rd April leaving from the Square, Milford at 6pm. This year proceeds in aid of Muscular Dystrophy Donegal Branch. Sponsor cards available from Adeline Shields and Susan Peoples. Support appreciated.

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 29th March (Palm Sunday)**.

Eucharistic Adoration

Want to do something different for Lent?

Friday 27th March

Kerrykeel: 9am-9 pm (12 hours)

Milford: 7pm -7 pm (24 hours)

Sheets are available in both Kerrykeel & Milford Churches if you would like to sign up to take part in the 12 hour Eucharistic Adoration on Friday 27th March in Kerrykeel @ 9.00am or the 24 hour

Eucharistic Adoration in Milford beginning on Friday 27th March @ 7:00 pm. Everyone welcome to take part.

First Confessions Milford/Kerrykeel

First Confessions will take place for all First Communion children from Milford and Drumman on Tuesday 24th March in St Peter's, Church, Milford @ 7:30pm and for Kerrykeel children in Our Lady of Lourdes Church on Wednesday 25th March @ 7:30pm

Still Life Painting Classes

Still-life drawing and painting improvement classes will begin on Tuesday 14th April 10.30am-12.00pm and Thursday 16th April 7.00pm-9.00pm. 4 week course only €40.00 Contact Bernie on 087 2744974 or log in to ART FARM on Facebook for more details. All abilities welcome!

Rathmullan And Ray District Community

Alert

Rathmullan and Ray district community alert personnel will be visiting homes in the area over the next few weeks with a view to setting up a "TEXT ALERT" service in the local area. "TEXT ALERT" is designed to facilitate immediate and cost effective communication from an Garda Siochana to the public. The cost of this service will be €5 per phone per year.

Easter Arts And Crafts Camp

The renowned Left for Love Crafts & Creations will be in Ray Community Centre holding a 2 Day Arts & Crafts Camp on Mon 30th and Tues 31st of Mar for children aged 7 to 11 years from 2-5pm and children will need to bring a snack. Cost for 1 child €30, 2 children €60, 3 children €80. A €15 deposit will secure a place. Camp will have a limit of 15 spaces which will be allocated on a first come first serve basis. For more info contact Bebhinn on 086 4089481, or email leftforlove@outlook.com

Preparing for Easter During Lent

One way to prepare for Easter is by going to Confession. Confession will take place after weekday morning Masses during Lent in Milford and on a Saturday in Kerrykeel from 5:30pm and in Milford at 7pm.

Youth 2000

A youth weekend will take place from 27th—29th March in Loreto Convent, Lkenny starting Friday at 7:30pm for ages 16-35yrs. Donation only. All welcome.

Church Collections for last weekend were:

Milford: €1,278.00

Kerrykeel: €375.00

Many thanks for your contributions to the Parish.

Thought for the Week

Attempt great things for God.
Expect great things from God

William Carey

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

Snowball tonight is:
€8,000. 00

Second Snowball
€3,300. 00



Church Ministries



Milford

Ministers of the Word

Sat 28th March

C. Dyke & Joshua Edjah

Sun 29th March

L. Mc Bride & Mark Mc Grory

Ministers of the Eucharist

Sat 28th March

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

Sun 29th March

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

Children's Liturgy

Sun 29th March Team B

Palm Sunday of the
Lord's Passion
Year B

Sun 5th April Team C

Easter Day of the
Lords Resurrection
Year B

Kerrykeel

Ministers of the Word

Sat 28th March

Rebecca Ward
Conor Mc Laughlin

Sun 29th March

Aine Mc Ateer

Ministers of the Eucharist

Sat 28th March

Brian Mc Garvey

Sun 29th March

Eileen Mc Ateer