

# Parish Newsletter

Third Sunday  
in Ordinary Time  
Year C

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## ARE YOU FULFILLING SCRIPTURE?

The prologue to the Gospel of Luke is almost like the opening credits of a major blockbuster movie, there's something exciting about it. We don't really know who Theophilus was, possibly a patron of Luke's, but his name also means 'Lover of God' and in that sense this Gospel is addressed to all 'lovers of God'.

In the synagogue, Jesus is handed the scroll from Isaiah. It is one of the most powerful passages in the New Testament as Jesus sets out his mission, his manifesto. The uncomfortable truths contained within the passage cause the crowd to reject him. We know that in our world today good news has still to reach the afflicted, captives still await liberation, the oppressed are not free. So this is not a passage read in the past, it is very much alive, very much a vision for all to have and to work towards. Just as the scriptures are fulfilled in Jesus, they are also fulfilled in each of our lives. There are many causes we can be involved in, refugees, climate justice, homelessness, neighbourliness, community involvement. Wherever we are, in our own small ways, we can strive to make this dream a reality.

*'Lord of the universe, look in love upon your people. Pour the healing oil of your compassion on a world that is wounded and dying. Send us out in search of the lost, to comfort the afflicted, to bind up the broken, and to free those trapped under the rubble of their fallen dream.'*

Sheila Cassidy

Jane Mellett



## St. Peter's Church, Milford

### Saturday 23rd

7: 30 pm Oliver Peoples (Anniv)

### Sunday 24th Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

11: 00 am Bernie Finneran (1st Anniv)

### Tuesday 26th

10: 00 am Intention

### Thursday 28th

10:00am Intention

### Friday 29th

10:00am Intention

### Saturday 30th

7: 30 pm John & Nan Gallagher (Anniv)

### Sunday 31st Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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: 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 23rd

6:00 pm Intention

### Sunday 24th Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:30 am Intention

### Wednesday 27th

10:00am Intention

### Saturday 30th

6:00 pm Intention

### Sunday 31st Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:30 am Intention

## Please Remember in your Prayers

**Carmel Devine**, Strabane, whose funeral took place on Friday. (Sister of Brendan Ward)

**Malachy Keeney**, Letterkenny, whose funeral took place on Thursday. (Nephew of Francie Mc Ateer & Bridie Boyle.)

**Bernie Finneran**, whose 1st Anniversary Mass takes place in Milford this weekend.

**All those whose anniversaries occur at this time, especially:** Charlie Deeney, John Crerand, Margaret Friel, Mary Begley, Oliver Peoples & Evelyn Mc Devitt.



### Local SVdeP number 086 0611040

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

### Two Hand & Old Time Dancing

Two hand and old time dancing in the Milford Hall on Thursdays from 8:30pm—10:30pm Admission €5. All welcome

### 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.

### Mass Cards

A variety of Mass Cards signed by Fr. Adrian for deceased and also Mass Bouquets are now available at Parochial House, Milford.

### Stress Control . (Donegal Mind Wellness. Founder Majella O'Donnell)

Class to teach people how to control stress more effectively. Learn to control your body, thoughts, actions, your panic and your sleep. A series of 6 FREE classes. Bring a friend or relative if you wish. You will be given a booklet to help you. You will also be given a free relaxation CD

Start Date: 26/1/16

Time : 6.30pm to 8pm

Location: Milford Woods Hotel

Contact. 0860298907 or email

[donegalmindwellness@gmail.com](mailto:donegalmindwellness@gmail.com)

### Remembrance Mass

A remembrance Mass for the late Sr. Eugene Logue formally Bridgetown, Kerrykeel will be held in St Eunan's, Cathedral, Letterkenny on Sunday 24th Jan @ 5pm.

### Confirmation Preparation— Kerrykeel

There will be a meeting in the Our Lady of Lourdes Church, Kerrykeel on Tuesday 26th Jan at 7pm for all parents of Confirmation children.

### Confirmation Preparation— Milford

There will be a meeting in St. Peter's Church, Oratory on Tuesday 26th Jan at 8pm for all parents of Confirmation children.

### Ray Community Centre

Saint Bridget's Night will be held at the Centre on Sunday 31st Jan at 7pm. Refreshments will be served. Everyone welcome. Learn the art of making the St Bridget's cross.

### Left For Love Childrens Arts And Crafts

New class just started every saturday from 12 - 1 Pm

### Social Dancing

Social Dancing has started again with James Sandilands every Saturday night from 9 -11 pm. Learn to dance whilst having fun and meeting new people and enjoy a cuppa afterwards..

### Glenvar school

Making of St. Bridget's crosses will take place in Glenvar school on Saturday 30th January at 7pm. Everyone welcome. Refreshments will be served. Raffle will take place..

### Eucharistic & Word Ministers -Milford

Could any Eucharist/Word Minister who are available to help out at 8am Masses during Lent please give your name to Fr. Gavigan or Tommy.

### Lenten Retreat at Ards Friary

Fri 12th- Sun 14th February

Directed by Philip Mc Parland

At the beginning of Lent this retreat will offer some reflections on the meaning and purpose of this sacred season. In particular, it will explore the way in which Lent speaks to our contemporary culture.

Commences: 6pm (With Supper)

Concludes: After Lunch

Cost: £140 Residential, £80 Non-Residential

Contact: Ards Friary on 074 91 38909

### **MUSINGS**

In this Week of Christian Unity we remember Pope John Paul II's words: 'Dialogue cannot take place merely on a horizontal level, being restricted to meetings, exchanges of points of view, or even the sharing of gifts proper to each Community. It has also primarily a vertical thrust, directed towards the One who, as Redeemer of the world and the Lord of history is, himself, our Reconciliation. This vertical aspect of dialogue lies in our acknowledgment, jointly, and to each other, that we have sinned. It is precisely this acknowledgment which creates ... that interior space where Christ ... can effectively act with all the power of his spirit, the Paraclete'.

### Church Collections for last weekend were:

**Milford:** €1,190.00

**Kerrykeel:** €295.00

Many thanks for your contributions to the Parish.

### *Thought for the Week*

If we don't accept Jesus in one another, we will not be able to give him to others.  
*Mother Teresa*

### Milford Hall Bingo

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

**Snowball tonight is:**  
€8,000. 00

**Second Snowball**  
€2,500. 00



## *Church Ministries*



### Milford

#### Ministers of the Word

**Sat 30th January**

P. Mc Laughlin & P. Ryan

**Sun 31st January**

S. Ramen & K. Doran

#### Ministers of the Eucharist

**Sat 30th January**

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

**Sun 31st January**

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

### Children's Liturgy Kerrykeel

**Sun 31st Jan Team B**

Fourth Sunday  
in Ordinary Time  
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**Sun 7th Feb Team C**

Fifth Sunday  
in Ordinary Time  
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#### Ministers of the Word

**Sat 30th January**

Phonsie Mc Ateer

**Sun 31st January**

Aine Mc Ateer

#### Ministers of the Eucharist

**Sat 30th January**

Brian Mc Garvey

**Sun 31st January**

Eileen Mc Ateer