

Parish Newsletter

**Fifth Sunday of
Easter
Year C**

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A New Commandment

In today's Gospel Jesus gives the disciples a new commandment – to love one another. When we truly love one another, we are experiencing something of the divine as love comes from God, love is God and God is love. Surely Jesus' command to love one another was nothing new for the disciples and those of their time; the commandment is well known in the Old Testament. But the love Jesus asks of the disciples here (and of us) is to love as he has loved, and that is a controversial love for some. It is controversial because Jesus's love is without restrictions and without exclusion. It is a love of those we may not like, a love of those it is hard to love. This love was too radical for some of the religious leaders of Jesus' time and ultimately led to his death. This radically inclusive love is sometimes too much for Christians today also, to love the sinner, to love those on the extreme margins of our society, to love those who have hurt us, to welcome back those who have done wrong, to include all at the table. Let us hear those words of the Gospel more clearly today: 'love one another, just as I have loved you, you must also love one another.' We can dream and work towards a world where this is a reality.

Let the Church always be a place of mercy and hope, where everyone is welcome, loved and forgiven.

Pope Francis

Jane Mellett



St. Peter's Church, Milford

Saturday 23rd

11:00am First communions
7:30 pm Charles Mc Elwee (1st Anniv)

Sunday 24th Fifth Sunday of Easter

11:00 am Intention

Tuesday 26th

10:00am Intention

Thursday 28th

10:00am Intention

Friday 29th

10:00am Intention

Saturday 30th

7:30 pm Hugh & Helen Coyle (Anniv)

Sunday 1st Sixth Sunday of Easter

11:00 am Ellen Aiken (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

Saturday 23rd

11:00am First communions
6:00 pm Intention

Sunday 24th Fifth Sunday of Easter

9:30 am Sally Sweeney (Anniv)

Wednesday 27th

10:00am Intention

Saturday 30th

6:00 pm Hugh Friel (Anniv)

Sunday 1st Sixth Sunday of Easter

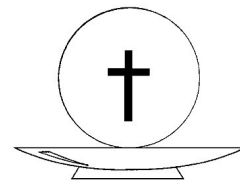
9:30 am Intention

Please Remember in your Prayers:

Charles Mc Elwee, whose 1st Anniversary Mass takes place this weekend in Milford.

And also all those whose Anniversaries occur at this time:

Sally Sweeney, Benjo Hannigan, Tommy Mc Taggart & John Mc Ginley.



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. Please include your name and phone number on the sheets provided in both churches if you are interested. **Any youth travelling on this trip (12-18 years) please collect consent form from sacristy or parochial house to be signed by parent/guardian.**

Lough Derg Pilgrimage

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

Campa Rí-Rá

"Campa Rí-Rá , Campa Corpoideachais i gcomhphairtíocht le Muintearas Teo Agus Gaeltacht Bheo Fhánada ar siúl 4ú lúil go 8ú lúil (5 lá I mbliana) san Ionad Phobail Thraigh A Locha. Faigh i dteangmháil le 0879933471/0863818634 chun d'áit a chur in airithe. Costas 45 euro an phaiste, rataí teachlaigh ar fail. Campa rírá will take place inconjunction with Muintearas Teo and Gaeltacht Bheo Fhánada 4ú July- 8ú July in tri a Locha.

25 Card Fund Raiser

25 Card Fund Raiser in aid of necessary repairs to roof of Glenvar school will be held in Glenvar school on Sunday 1st May at 7pm. Fee €25. Half the pot will be paid out in prizes.

Family Carers Ireland

Family Carers Ireland are providing the QQI (FETAC) Level 5 Care Skills in Letterkenny 12/05/2016. For more info contact the training unit on 057 93 70221.

Country & gospel Concert

Kerrykeel Church on Friday 29th April at 8pm. Artists: Uel Linton & Derek Hibbert, The ABC Trio, Gordon Quinn, Ann Biddy & Dessie & Joan. Proceeds of voluntary contributions to: Church Hall Extension Fund.

Congratulations to all the children of the parish who made their First Holy Communion, yesterday.



Eighteen children made their First Communion in Kerrykeel and thirty -five in Milford. A sincere thanks to all involved in the schools & parish who prepared in any way for this great day for these children and their families.. Thanks is due also to all the parents/guardians of the children who took part in the 'Do this in Memory ' programme each month and helped to make it a success in our parish once again this year.

May all the children and your families be blessed at all times by our loving God

Nótaí Gaeil Fhánada

Lotto Results Jackpot winner of €3,050 is Gerard Patrick Shiels, Kerrykeel. Congratulations Gerard! Numbers drawn 03, 07, 11, 14, 18 Bonus 11. €50 winner Anne Hall, Killavrick. Next week's jackpot €1000.

Ministers of the Word Milford

The new rota is now available for collection in the Sacristy of St. Peter's Church.

Church Collections for last weekend were:

Milford: €1,280.00
Kerrykeel: €310.00

Many thanks for your contributions to the Parish.

*Thought for the Week
The Soul is in place where man's supreme and final battles are fought*

Milford Hall Bingo
Bingo Sunday Night at 8:30pm, in the Hall.
Snowball tonight is:
€8,000. 00
Second Snowball
€3,450. 00



Church Ministries



Milford

Ministers of the Word

Sat 30th April

M. Carr & A. Ferry

Sun 1st May

A. Toland & H. Good

Ministers of the Eucharist

Sat 30th April

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

Sun 1st May

T. Reynolds, S. Lynch & Bernie O Donnell

Children's Liturgy

Sun 1st May Team C

Sixth Sunday of Easter
Year C

Sun 8th May Team D

The Ascension of The Lord
Year C

Kerrykeel

Ministers of the Word

Sat 30th April

Kay Mc Groy
Eimar Gallagher

Sun 1st May

Brid Dougherty

Ministers of the Eucharist

Sat 30th April

Noreen Mc Fadden

Sun 1st May

Moira Stilvern