

Parish Newsletter

Third Sunday
Of Lent
Year C

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Bear Fruit



The people in the Gospel today are wondering if the Galileans who were killed by Pilate had died because they deserved to. We can empathise with them as we know too well of accidents and tragedies of all kinds where we might ask the same question. Jesus insists that they have not done anything wrong. Their sudden death challenges those still alive to live to the full and to bear much fruit because life can end suddenly, life is fragile, no one is indestructible.

Climate Change affects us all. Climate injustice occurs when people who have done little or nothing to cause climate change are suffering the most from its effects. It is the greatest injustice of our time as it is the world's poorest countries who suffer the most from the changes in our weather systems. In Ireland we recall the devastating storms of 2013 which caused so much destruction along our West Coast. We have the resources to cope, for now. In countries like Kenya and Malawi, these resources are simply not there and the effects of storms and droughts are catastrophic. Let us pray today that we hear the call of the Gospel to bear fruit, not to be inactive, not to be complacent when it comes to reducing our carbon footprint. The Galileans died because of Pilate, but the greater 'sin' here becomes inactivity.

'Common destiny beckons us to seek a new beginning... Let ours be a time remembered for the awakening of a new reverence for life, the firm resolve to achieve sustainability, the quickening of the struggle for justice and peace'.

Pope Francis, *Laudato Si'*, 207)

Jane Mellett

St. Peter's Church, Milford

Saturday 27th
7:30 pm Mary Ferry (Anniv)

Sunday 28th Third Sunday of Lent
11:00 am Mary Ward (Anniv)

Monday 29th
7:45am Intention

Tuesday 1st
7:45am Intention

Wednesday 2nd
7:45am Intention

Thursday 3rd
7:45am Intention

Friday 4th
7:45am Joseph Helferty
7:00pm **March First Friday**
Monthly Anniversary Mass For Deceased

Saturday 5th
7:30 pm Hugh Coll (Anniv)

Sunday 6th Fourth Sunday of Lent
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 27th
6:00 pm May Mc Laughlin (Anniv)

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9:30 am Intention

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10:00am Intention

Saturday 5th
6:00 pm Intention

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9:30 am Mary Gibbons (Anniv)

Please Remember in your Prayers

All those whose anniversaries occur at this time, especially:

May Mc Laughlin, Mary Ferry, Mary Ward, Joseph Helferty & William Strain.



Local SVdeP number 086 0611040

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

Holy Hour

A Holy Hour will be held in St. Peter's Oratory every Thursday from 9pm until 10pm during Lent.

Milford Care of the Aged

We will be holding our first 25 Card Drive in aid of Milford Care of the Aged on March 4th 2016 in the Village Inn in Kerrykeel. It will be tables of 8 people each commencing at 8.30pm. Tickets are €25 each and the overall prize will be half the pot. Your support will be greatly appreciated. Please contact either James E Friel 087 6498540 or John Friel 086 3838795 for further information.

Barn Dance & BBQ Night

A Barn Dance & BBQ Night will be held in Ripples Restaurant on Friday 11th Mar in aid of Rab's Park Community Facility & Sports Field, Kerrykeel. Music by Paul Mc Cahill. Tickets on sale priced @ €12.50 and can be purchased locally from Ripples Restaurant, committee member Fergus Mc Ateer 086 4043532 or pay at the door on the night.

First Friday Calls

The monthly First Friday calls to the sick and housebound in the parish will take place this coming week.

Kerrykeel: Thursday Afternoon

Milford: Friday

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)**.

Eucharistic Adoration

Want to do something different for Lent?

Friday 18th 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 18th March in Kerrykeel @ 9.00am

or the 24 hour

Eucharistic Adoration in Milford beginning on

Friday 18th March @ 7:00 pm.

Everyone welcome to take part.

Dawn Eden

Dawn Eden (USA) former journalist for the Rock Music Industry. A catholic convert and best selling author will share her powerful story of healing, conversion, love for the catholic faith and insights from her latest book based on this Jubilee Year of Mercy in St. Eunan's cathedral Sunday 6th March 3.00pm—4:30pm. All are welcome.

Confirmation Retreat

A Confirmation Retreat will take place on Monday 29th at 10am in Milford Hall for all children in the parish making Confirmation this year.

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Annual Health & Wellbeing day in the Town Hall Ramelton on Sat 5th Mar from 11am until 1.30pm in conjunction with the Ramelton Country Market. This a free event and the following services will be available: HSE Smoking Cessation, Citizens Information, Health Assessments including Blood Sugar and Blood Pressure testing, Couch to 5k, Social Proscribing, Good Health Fitness, The Orsi Foot Clinic, Mental Health Services information and information on Gaelic Games locally for adults and children (boys and girls) from under 8 to senior. For information please contact me at 086-8547114.

St. Patrick's Eve - Fundraising Dance

The annual St. Patrick's Eve Fundraising Dance is, once again, taking place in the Milford Hall from 9.00p.m. to Midnight on Wed16th. This year all funds raised will be going to help our Olympian Brendan Boyce on the long road to Rio. Everyone is welcome to come along and enjoy the craic. Anyone wishing to make a donation towards the hampers contact Mary on 9153723.

Little Rascals

Community Play School Rossnakill Registration day will take place on Saturday 5th March 1pm - 3pm. Registration fee €30. Child's Birth cert and PPS No is required to avail of the free pre-school year. Contact Eileen for more Information 0868513870

Fr. Vincent

Please keep in your prayers Fr. Vincent who was with us last summer and who is being consecrated Bishop of his Diocese in Uganda this weekend.



Church Ministries



Church Collections for last weekend were:

Milford: €1,115.00

Kerrykeel: €325.00

Many thanks for your contributions to the Parish.

Thought for the Week

*He is with us
always,
with His comfort and
joy, if we will only
ask.*

Dorothy Day

Milford Hall Bingo

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

Snowball tonight is:
€8,000. 00

Second Snowball
€2,750. 00

Milford

Ministers of the Word

Sat 5th March

O. Mc Taggart & C. L. O'Brien

Sun 6th March

D. Mc Cafferty & J. Hone

Ministers of the Eucharist

Sat 5th March

K. Logan, E. Gillespie
& B. O'Donnell

Sun 6th March

T. Reynolds, S. Lynch
& Bernie O'Donnell

Children's Liturgy

Sun 6th Mar Team C

Fourth Sunday
of Lent
Year C

Sun 13th Mar Team D

Fifth Sunday
of Lent
Year C

Kerrykeel

Ministers of the Word

Sat 5th March

J. Harkin & C. Mc Ginley

Sun 6th March

Aine Mc Ateer

Ministers of the Eucharist

Sat 5th March

Noreen Mc Fadden

Sun 6th March

Gretta Mc Fadden