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# Kilronan Parish Newsletter

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Before you speak let your words pass  
through three gates.  
At the first gate ask yourself, "Is it true?"  
At the second gate ask "Is it necessary?"  
At the third gate ask "Is it kind?"

## Sunday 5th January

### Mass Times

Ballyfarnon 7p.m.  
Arigna 10.00a.m.  
Keadue 11.30a.m.  
Keadue 10.00a.m - Epiphany  
**\*\*No Mass\*\***  
Keadue 7p.m.  
Ballyfarnon 10.00a.m.  
Arigna 10.00a.m.

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### Kilronan Parish in a Year

10 Funerals  
14 Baptisms  
17 Weddings

**Do This in Memory Mass Sunday 12th January at 11.30a.m.**

**Roscommon Sub Aqua Club** Roscommon Underwater Search and Recovery are holding their annual church gate collection in your parish on Saturday the 11th and Sunday the 12th of January. We gratefully appreciate your on-going support with this.

Tea & Coffee morning in the Arigna Enterprise Centre on Friday January 10th @10.30 am. All welcome for a chat & cuppa

**Arigna Cemetery Committee** A meeting will take place on Wednesday 8th Jan @ 8pm in Enterprise centre Arigna all welcome

**BAPTISM** We welcomed Sebastian Latvis in Baptism recently in Arigna

**WE PRAY CONGRATULATIONS** also to David Wynne & Cathy McManus who were married in Jamestown recently. May they be blessed with good health and happiness in their future together.

**Collections:** Thank you for your very generous support of the various Church Collections. Offertory Collections for Christmas Eve/Day Arigna €1060.00, Ballyfarnon €845.00, Keadue €895.00, Offertory Collections for last week Arigna €392.00, Ballyfarnon €326.50, Keadue €811.50 and Dues €375.00

## Anniversary Masses

**Sun. 5th, Arigna**

Mickie & Josephine Daly & son Sean  
Leo Wynne

**Sat. 11th, Ballyfarnon**

Pat & Bridget Sweeney & DFM  
Harriet Killoran (3rd Ann.), John & Eleanor  
Killoran

**Sun. 12th, Arigna**

John T & Christina Flynn & son Gerard, infant  
daughter & DM Flynn & Lynch families  
(Cartron)

**Sun. 12th, Keadue**

Peggy & Josie Leydon & son Frankie  
Tony McCabe

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*FEAST OF THE EPIPHANY - They followed the star. The Feast of the Epiphany like the Feast of the Holy Family is well placed at the dawn of the year. Jesus is shown to the nations. God has come for all. Balthazar, Caspar and Melchior must have been very single minded. We are told that they only saw the star at the beginning of their journey and near the end. It follows that most of their searching was done in darkness. They must have had to ask for directions and trust the guidance of others. They must have been tempted to give-in, but they persevered and in the end, their reward was great. They encountered the Lord and found their hearts' desire. The journey of the Wise Men is our journey too. Like them we have hitched our wagon to the star of Bethlehem. It is not always visible, but it is always there. We too must persevere and be humble enough to seek the support, advice and direction of fellow travellers as we move towards the light. May the Feast of the Epiphany bring us the wisdom of the Wise Men, the inner child of the infant Jesus and the light of God to guide our way.*

### The Jubilee Prayer

Father in heaven, may the faith you have given us in your son, Jesus Christ, our brother, and the flame of charity enkindled in our hearts by the Holy Spirit, reawaken in us the blessed hope for the coming of your Kingdom.

May your grace transform us into tireless cultivators of the seeds of the Gospel. May those seeds transform from within both humanity and the whole cosmos in the sure expectation of a new heaven and a new earth, when, with the powers of temptations vanished, your glory will shine eternally. May the grace of the Jubilee reawaken in us, Pilgrims of Hope, a yearning for the treasures of heaven. May that same grace spread the joy and peace of our Redeemer throughout the earth. To you our God, eternally blessed, be glory and praise for ever.

**Amen.**