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Kilronan Parish Newsletter

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11th December



*Gaudete
Rejoice in the Lord always,
Again I will say Rejoice*

Sunday 11th December - 3rd Sunday of Advent

Mass Times

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| Saturday 10th | Ballyfarnon 7p.m. |
| Sunday 11th | Arigna 10a.m. |
| Sunday 11th | Keadue 11.30a.m. |
| Monday 12th | Keadue 10a.m. |
| Tuesday 13th | Arigna 10a.m. |
| Wednesday 14th | Arigna 10a.m. |
| Thursday 15th | Ballyfarnon 10a.m. |
| Friday 16th | Ballyfarnon 10a.m. |



Ballyfarnon Church Grounds for December Jimmy McGirl & Seamus McGirl

Parish Choir Practice for Christmas Monday 8p.m. - 9 p.m. in Keadue Church.

Kilronan Parish Christmas Carol Service will be held in Keadue Church on Monday 12th December at 6.30pm. A fantastic evening of song and music promised. Donations on the night much appreciated. Everyone welcome!

St. Ronan's Lotto. There was no winner of the lotto jackpot when the draw was held at the weekend. The numbers drawn were 4, 17, 23 and 29. The jackpot next week will be €3,600 and the draw will be held on Sunday evening. You can enter the lotto online at <https://stronansgaa.com/>. Submit your numbers with your payment details and we will take it from there.

Keadue Tidy Towns Bonus Ball Pick the Bonus Number in the main lotto draw on Saturday night. Entry €2 per line and win €45. Buy a line in Roddy's, Credit Union and O'Donnells. Bonus Number Saturday 3rd was 44 no winners. Thanks to everybody that has supported Keadue Tidy Towns Bonus Ball over the years.

Collections: Thank you for your very generous support of the various Church Collections. Offertory Collections: Arigna €541.50, Ballyfarnon €168.00, Keadue €267.00, Priests Dues €1,168.00

Deadline for Newsletter Items Thursday Afternoon 4pm

✠ Rest In Peace

Mary Carroll (nee Quinn) Rochester, USA

sister of Tom Quinn

Reposing at Smith's Funeral Home, Roscommon from 6pm to 8pm on Wednesday with Funeral Mass in Kiltevan on Thursday at 12.30.

Burial afterwards in Cam Cemetery

Anniversary Masses

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| Sat. 10th, Ballyfarnon | Teresa Gaffney (Month's Mind) |
| Sun. 11th, Arigna | Packie Lehany (Month's Mind) Patrick (Paddy) Conway (Month's Mind) |
| Sun. 18th, Arigna | Rose Ann Mulhern Patsy Guihen |
| Sun. 18th, Keadue | Brendan Kelly Michael Gaffney |

The **Do This In Memory Programme** for First Holy Communion children continues Sunday, December 11th at 11.30 a.m. Mass in Keadue Church.

St Ronan's Hall A meeting of the fundraising committee and all organisations that use hall will be held on Tuesday night 13th at 8pm. Good attendance expected.

Third Advent Candle/Sunday: Joy - "Gaudete Sunday"

The third candle of Advent symbolizes **Joy**. As we continue to approach Christmas Day, our joy grows more and more. The third candle takes us back to the joyful anticipation of the shepherds who journeyed to see Jesus in Bethlehem, even before the wise men. On this third Sunday of Advent, which the Church calls "Gaudete Sunday," meaning rejoice or praise, we light the third candle and rejoice like the shepherds. For this reason, the third candle of Advent is called the "**Shepherd's Candle**," and its color is **pink**, the liturgical colour for joy.