

## First Sunday of Lent.

Ash Wednesday's entrance antiphon opened Lent by proclaiming the essence of our Lenten season: "Lord, you are merciful to all, and hate nothing you have created. You overlook the sins of men to bring them to repentance. You are the Lord our God." All the verbs of this antiphon are in the present tense. Later in the liturgy we heard St Paul proclaiming "NOW is the favourable time; THIS is the day of salvation". The season of Lent reminds us of the mercy of God, and the fact that this mercy is available to us always. Now, here, at this time!

"Lent offers us the practical and effective weapons of fasting and almsgiving as a means of combating an excessive attachment to money. Giving not only from our abundance, but sacrificing something more in order to give to the needy, fosters that self-denial which is essential to Christian living. Strengthened by constant prayer, the baptized reveal the priority which they have given to God in their lives" (Pope John Paul II).

"Lent is like a long retreat during which we turn back to ourselves and listen to the voice of God, in order to defeat temptations. It is a period of spiritual 'combat' which we must experience alongside Jesus, not with pride and presumption, but using the arms of faith: prayer, listening to the word of God, and penance. In this way we will be able to celebrate Easter in truth, ready to renew the promises of our baptism" (Pope Benedict XVI).

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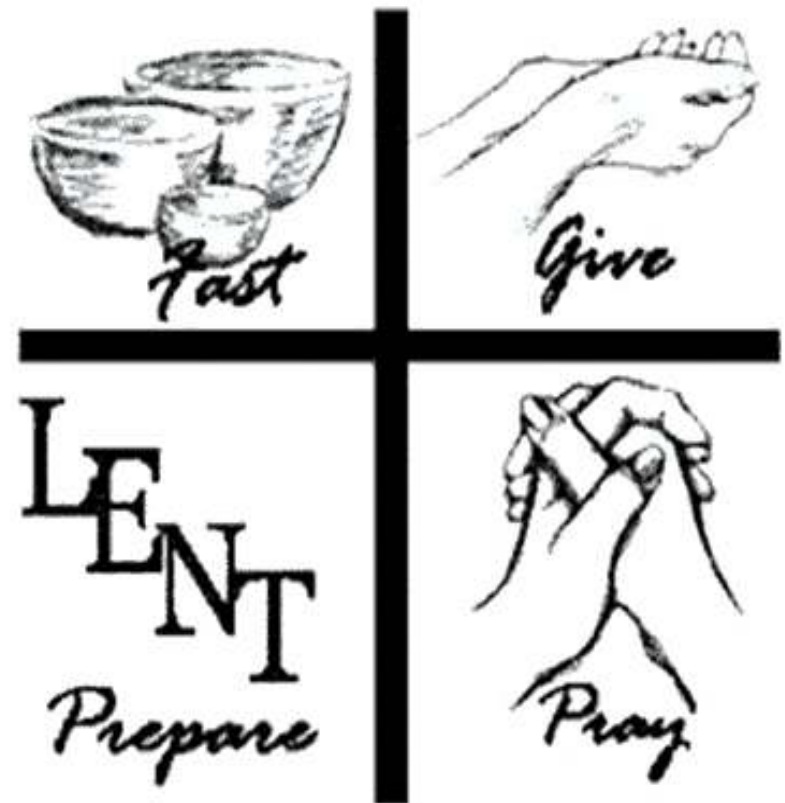
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# Kiltoghert Parish

SATURDAY 29th FEBRUARY & SUNDAY 1st MARCH  
FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT



**PRIEST ON DUTY: FR. FRANK GARVEY P.P. 0719620118**

**MASSES FOR SATURDAY 29th FEBRUARY & SUNDAY 1st MARCH**

**ST. MARY'S: Saturday Vigil 8pm:** Tommy McWeeney (1st Anniv)

**Sun 9am:** Mai & Willie Cryan & their grandson Michael (Anniv)

**12noon:** Jimmy Stenson (1st Anniv)

**LEITRIM 10.15am:** Ernest McCluskey & deceased members of the McCluskey & Bohan families

**GOWEL 10.15am:** Annie Geheran (Anniv)

**JAMESTOWN SAT VIGIL 7pm:** John Francis Moran & his parents Johnny & Anne

**MASSES FROM MONDAY 2nd - SATURDAY 6th MARCH**

**Monday 8am:**

**Monday 8pm:** Michael & Annie Glancy & their daughter-in-law Mary & Frank O'Brien

**Tuesday 8am:**

**Wed 8am:**

**Thursday 8am:**

**Friday 8am:**

**Friday 8pm:** Canice & Bernadette O'Driscoll (Anniv)

**Saturday 10am:** Deceased members of the Toolan family (Anniv)

**LEITRIM Tuesday 8pm:** Katherine & Patrick McAweeney & deceased members of the McAweeney family

**FIRST FRIDAY 10am:** Decd Members of the Doran family (Leitrim)

**GOWEL 7pm:** John & Annie May Goldrick & deceased members of the Goldrick & Faughnan families

**MASSES FOR SATURDAY 7th & SUNDAY 8th MARCH**

**St. Mary's Saturday Vigil 8pm:** John Beirne & deceased members of the Beirne & Gaffney families

**Sunday 9am:** Michael O'Rourke (Anniv)

**12noon:** John McManus (10th Anniv)

**LEITRIM 10.15am:**

**GOWEL 10.15:**

**JAMESTOWN Vigil 7pm:** Margaret Lenehan (Anniv)

#### **PARISH NOTICES**

**CONTRIBUTIONS:** Thank you for your Contributions last weekend

**Offertory € 2,770**

**ADORATION IN LENT:** there will be twenty minutes of adoration following the 10am Mass on each Saturday of Lent, starting on 29th February in St. Mary's Church, Ck on Shannon.

**DEATHS:** We pray for the happy repose of the soul of Edward Anthony Stokes, Shannon View, Ck on Shannon, who died recently. May he rest in the peace of Christ.

**MEDITATION GROUP:** continues every Wednesday in Breffni Resource Centre at 7.30. New Members welcome. For info see [wccm.org](http://wccm.org) or phone Anne 0863537758.

**WEDDING:** Congratulations to Cara Flynn & Brendan Geoghegan who were married in St. Joseph's Church, Leitrim recently.

#### **COMMUNITY NOTICES:**

**PRE-THIRD LEVEL FULL-TIME IT COURSE:** A pre third level course which enables current Leaving Certificate students take a year out of studies and engage in an IT course which will equip them with necessary IT and research skills for college is starting in the Enterprise Centre in Drumshanbo in September 2020. Opportunities to apply for funded work experience in Europe for two weeks also available under Erasmus plus in the programme also. Details can be found on [fetchcourses.ie](http://fetchcourses.ie) (search for code 282532). Students can apply for the course online also, alternatively they can ring (071) 9640185 to find out more information about the course or email [phyllisheduan@msletb.ie](mailto:phyllisheduan@msletb.ie).

**KILTOGHERT PIONEERS CENTRE:** PTAA National Ball takes place on the 4th of April in The Menlo Park Hotel, in the heart of Galway. This event begins with the celebration of Mass in the Church of the Resurrection, Headford Road at 6.30pm, and dinner will be served in the hotel at 8.00pm. Bookings taken by Frances Egan (0863121695) and Seán Duffy (0868648895). **Pioneer pilgrimage abroad** this year is to Poland, in the footsteps of Saint John Paul II, in honour of the Divine Mercy from 1-7 June and under the Spiritual Direction of Fr. Francis Bradley our national Spiritual Director.

**AFFORDABLE LIVE-IN HOMECARE** provide live in carers for the elderly in your area. If you are looking for a live-in carer for your relative, please call Eileen or Tom today on 087 9916791. Our website is [www.alhomedcare.ie](http://www.alhomedcare.ie)

**QQI LEVEL 4 HORTICULTURE with Eco-Tourism course:** will start on the 2<sup>nd</sup> of March, in Drumshanbo. Limited spaces available. Training allowance for those who qualify. For more information call Karen Dolan Leitrim Development Company on 071-9641770 or Linda Logan on 086-2031664.

**KILTOGHERT WOMEN'S GROUP:** Will have gardening with Catherine Maguire on Wednesday 4th March. All are welcome.

**DEBS DRESS SALE FOR SLIGO CANCER SUPPORT CENTRE :** in Coach House Hotel Ballymote on Sunday 8th March from 12 midday - 4pm. Do you want to buy or sell a pre-owned debs dress? Do you have a debs dress in your wardrobe that you no longer want? €10 to register your dress with every €10 going directly to Sligo Cancer Support Centre. All monies from dress sale goes directly to seller. Registration of dresses from 9am-11am that morning. Contact Geraldine 086 1214822 or Bernie 0879759762