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Kilronan Parish Newsletter

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Faith is taking the first step even when you don't see the whole staircase

Sunday 12th April 2026 Mass Times

Saturday 11th April Ballyfarnon 7p.m.

Sunday 12th April Arigna 10.00am

Sunday 12th April Keadue 11:30am

Monday 13th April NO MASS

Tuesday 14th April Keadue 10.00a.m.

Wednesday 15th April NO MASS

Thursday 16th April Ballyfarnon 10a.m.

Friday 17th April Arigna 10.00a.m.

Divine Mercy Sunday Devotions in St. Josephs' Church Boyle and The Friary Sligo Sunday 12th April; confessions @2pm & Holy Mass @3pm.



PARISH OFFERTORY Collections: Thank you for your very generous support of the Church Collections Arigna €757, Ballyfarnon €248.40, Keadue €697, Priest's Dues €2,227. **TROCAIRE** Please return Boxes/ Envelopes as soon as possible- so we can forward your donation to Trocaire. We thank you for your generous support.

ARIGNA SPRING CLEAN The Foróige Club invites the community to come along to their second An Taisce spring clean-up on **Saturday 18th April at 1pm.** Meeting at the Enterprise Centre. All welcome.

AGM of Arigna Community Development Company Wednesday 15th April at 9PM at the Enterprise Centre. A good local attendance would be appreciated.

STRABRAGGAN N.S. will hold an Enrolment afternoon on **Friday 17th April at 1:15p.m.** Parents, guardians and prospective pupils are invited to attend. We look forward to meeting you and answering any questions you may have.

Keadue Tidy Town's National Spring Clean 2026 meeting at O'Carolan Heritage Park on **Thursday 16th of April at 6.30pm.** Please come along.

St. Ronan's No winner of the weekend lotto jackpot. Numbers were 15, 24, 28, 30. Several consolation prizes were awarded to players from Ballyfarnon, Keadue, Arigna, and Carrick-on-Shannon. The jackpot will roll over to €17,300 for next Sunday's draw. Entries can be made online or via Revolut

The Roscommon Career & Employment Expo Kilbride Community Centre, Fourmilehouse Wednesday April 22nd 2026 from 11am.

AI and Digital Skills for the Modern Workplace is starting on Tuesday 13th April 2026 at Mohill Computer Training. Email eileen@mct.ie or call 071 9632024.

Anniversary Masses

Sunday 12th April Keadue John Doyle, John & Maisie Dempsey

Sunday 19th April Keadue Michael & Mary Healy & DFM

Joseph & Elizabeth Gaffney & DFM(Boderry)

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL Meeting Monday April 13th at 8pm

Parochial House, Keadue. Thank you for submitting items for the Agenda. They may be given to Members of the Pastoral Council or dropped in (signed) to the Parochial House c/o "The Secretary Kilronan PPC".

Pilgrimage to Lourdes The annual Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes takes place **May 30th-June 4th.** If there are any people in Kilronan Parish who would like to travel as Assisted Pilgrims, please contact Fr. Tom Cox 086 8319500.

A YOUTH 2000 day retreat for young people (16 - 35), takes place on April 25th at Knock Shrine. Youth2000.ie to register or contact connaught@youth2000.ie

Divine Mercy Sunday In whatever state a soul may be, it ought to pray. A soul, which is pure and beautiful must pray, or else it will lose its beauty; a soul which is striving after this purity must pray, or else it will never attain it; a soul which is newly converted must pray, or else it will fall again; a sinful soul, plunged in sins, must pray so that it might rise again. There is no soul which is not bound to pray, for every single grace comes to the soul through prayer. (St Faustina Kowalska)

Second Sunday of Easter There are times when we seem to be all alone in the world. There are times when we wonder if God is really out there, during loss, illness: we long for some sign that He is out there, and that He cares about us. And we, like Thomas, begin to doubt. If you hang around sceptical, unbelieving people, then you are in trouble. Your faith is not fed, belief does not do well in faithless company any more than resistance to drugs rarely survives well among drug-taking friends. Faith is like a muscle in the body: if you do not use it, it begins to weaken. If you do not exercise your faith, it too dies. The way you exercise your faith is by living it. First and foremost, you have to talk to God.

We call that prayer. You have to talk to God because you cannot have a relationship with anyone unless you communicate with them. When Death asks the question, 'Is there anyone out there' the answer is a firm 'Yes!' If you are a person of faith, hold on to it. Exercise it, use it, it is a gift more precious than gold. You are indeed fortunate when you can say, and believe,

the words of St Thomas,

'My Lord and my God.' Fr Bob's homilies