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Weekday Mass Times Monday to Saturday Saint Cronan's Church 10am	Saturday Vigil Mass Saint Cronan's Church 6.30pm	Sunday Mass Saint Cronan's Church 11.30am	Parish Office Opening Hours: Mon. & Tues. 10am to 4pm Wed. & Thurs. 10am to 1pm
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All Masses in Saint Cronan's Church are available via Parish Radio or Webcam - ww.stcronanscluster.ie

Items for Parish Newsletter to be submitted by 11am each Wednesday please.

MASS INTENTIONS THIS WEEK ROSCREA

Sat 10th Feb 6.30pm:

1st Anniv: Una Raleigh, Moneen Court,
 1st Anniv: Ann Dwyer & 2nd Anniv. of her husband Jim Dwyer, Dromakeenan,
 Anniv: Eileen Moloney, Clonan,
 Anniv: Seamus Walsh, Kennedy Park,
 Anniv: Dermot Maher, New Road,
 Anniv: Paddy & Marie Troy, Sheehane,
 Anniv: Adam McAndrew,
 Anniv: Thomas Joseph Gunnell & his daughter Patricia Gormley & deceased family members.

Sun 11th Feb 11.30am:

1st Anniv: Patsy Guidera, Moneen Court,
 1st Anniv: Paul Ryan, Grange,
 1st Anniv: Cyril Walsh, Glebe House,
 1st Anniv: Mary Dwyer St. Cronan's Terrace & all deceased family members,
 Anniv: Helen Feeley, Fancroft,
 Anniv: Dick Moloney,
 Anniv: Mary McGrath, Assumption Park.

Fri 16th Feb 10am:

Anniv: Theresa Murphy, Limerick Street, her brothers Dominic & John & sister May & all deceased members of the Murphy family.

Sat 17th Feb 6.30pm:

Month's Mind: Maura McLoughlin, Ballybrack,
 Anniv: Jim Smyth & deceased members of the Smyth, Keating & Bergin families,
 Anniv: Kathleen Quinlan, Killavilla,
 Anniv: Lily Moten, Chapel Lane,
 Anniv: Martin & Julia Shanahan, Glentara & all deceased members of the Shanahan family,
 Anniv: Annie, Stephen, Gerry & Jimmy O'Brien, Evelyn Butler, Josie O'Brien, Eileen & Paddy Mullally, Margaret Corcoran & all deceased family members.

Sun 18th Feb 11.30am:

Month's Mind: Liam Bourke, Behagloss,
 Month's Mind: Sr. Majella Cummins, Dublin & formerly Boola,
 2nd Anniv: Anne Cummins, Loughnavatta,
 Anniv: Nelly Dooley & her husband Peter, Abbey Street,
 Anniv: Annie Harte, Limerick Road,
 Anniv: Bridget & Billy Carroll,
 Anniv: Delia, Michael, Paddy, Gerry & John Maher, Ballycleary,
 Anniv: Pat Foote, Enfield formerly Ballycleary,
 Anniv: Margaret (Peggy) Browne & all deceased members of the Browne family Templemore.

Camblin Sun 11th Feb 10am:

1st Anniv: Martina O'Hara, Kennedy Park.

Clonakenny Sat 10th Feb 7.30pm:

Anniv: Steven O'Meara, Clonakenny.

Knock Sun 11th Feb 10am:

Month's Mind: Mary Esther Colton, Australia,
 Anniv: John Scully, Derragooney, Knock,
 Anniv: Theresa Carroll & Sinead Carroll,
 Anniv: Mary Browne, Rockforest,
 Anniv: Tim, Mary Ellen, Sr. Inviolata, John & Bill Scully.

Couraguneen Sat 17th Feb 7.30pm:

Anniv: John Kennedy, Loran Park & Michael Fielding,
 Anniv: Pdraig & Rody Sheedy.

Ballaghmore Sun 18th Feb 10am:

Anniv: Paddy Moore,
 Anniv: Noel Browne, Kilmartin,
 Anniv: Lorraine Carey Fitzgerald, Ballaghmore.

Ash Wednesday

We have chosen to fast, not only with ashes but with actions, not with sackcloth but in sharing, not in thoughts but in deeds. Let the ashes speak of our commitment, we will give up our abundance, to share our food with the hungry. We will give up our comfort, to provide homes for the destitute. We will give up our fashions, to see the naked clothed. We will share where others hoard, we will free where others oppress. We will heal where others harm. Let the ashes speak of our commitment. Then God's light will break out on us, God's healing will quickly appear. God will guide us always, we will be like well-watered gardens, repairers of broken walls, builders of sustainable cities. Let the ashes speak of our commitment to God's ways and God's purposes. A new world coming, where we will feast together, at God's banquet table.

Message of the Holy Father Francis for Lent 2024

Slow down, then, and pause! The contemplative dimension of life that Lent helps us to rediscover will release new energies. In the presence of God, we become brothers and sisters, more sensitive to one another: in place of threats and enemies, we discover companions and fellow travelers.

Daily Lenten Messages

Brief (less than one minute) daily multi-media spiritual reflections from Bishop Fintan will be available on the various social media platforms every day for Lent, Holy Week and the Easter Octave. Subscribe (at no cost – just click on the subscribe button) to <https://www.youtube.com/@BishopFintanMonahan> to keep up to date with many events around the diocese and beyond.

Cronan Pastoral Area LENT 2024

St. Church Roscrea 7pm

Monday February 19th - Healing after Bereavement

Monday February 26th - God Calling

Monday March 4th - Faith & Rugby

Monday March 11th - Hurling & Faith

Tuesday March 19th - God Ministry in Limerick

Holy Mass, Healing, Talk & Tea!

ALL ARE WELCOME.

Wednesday 14th February is Ash Wednesday

For this day of fast & abstinence, distribution of ashes will take place in **St Cronan's Roscrea** after 10am Mass. Ashes will also be distributed at all 10am Masses for the rest of the week and at all Weekend Masses in the Pastoral Area.

A Prayer for Lenten Grace

Loving God, during this Sacred Season of Lent, bring me closer to you. Prepare a place in my home and heart for silence and solitude, so that I may re-discover the grace of a prayer-full life. Enlarge my heart so that I give to those in need, and in so doing, re-discover the grace of gratitude and generosity. Help me to fast from those things that threaten the well-being of body and soul, remind me of the grace and simplicity. May this season be grace-filled time to rekindle my love for and faith in you. **Amen**

Lions Club Roscrea - Pub Quiz

Friday 16th February at 8.30pm in The Stand, Roscrea

Cost €40 per table of 4.

In aid of **Childhood Cancer Ireland**

Bournea, Kyle & Knock and Camblin Mass Times		
Couraguneeen	Clonakenny	Camblin
Saturday 7.30 pm	Saturday 7.30 pm	Sunday 10am
Feb 3 rd	Feb 10 th	Feb 11 th
Feb 17 th	Feb 24 th	Feb 25 th
Ballaghmore	Knock	
Sunday 10 am	Sunday 10 am	
Feb 4 th	Feb 11 th	
Feb 11 th	Feb 25 th	

Anniversary Masses for all churches within the Pastoral Area can be booked through the Parish Office ONLY at 0505-31835. Funeral Masses in St. Cronan's Church 10am & 12 Noon.

IF YOU HAVE NOT YET RECEIVED YOUR YEARLY ENVELOPES, THEY ARE AVAILABLE FOR COLLECTION AT THE PARISH OFFICE DURING WORKING HOURS.

Thoughts/Prayer before Receiving Holy Communion –

As we hold out our Hands – Body of Christ –
Lord, as we fervently process, we offer You a throne
Upon to rest Oh, King of everyone
May Your will be done and
What we now receive, we become. **Amen**

Divine Mercy conference 2024

Day return bus to Divine Mercy conference Saturday 24th February. Fantastic international speakers, great day of spiritual inspiration and refreshment.

Bus collection at Roscrea, McDonalds, 70 euro for bus and entry ticket. Contacts, text please Karen 087-4160385 or Seamus 087-2752578 for enquiries and bookings.

Divine Mercy Conference

Gaelscoil Shlí Dála Enrolment

Gaelscoil Shlí Dála are currently enrolling for the **2024/2025** school year. If you wish to enrol your child, please contact the school for an enrolment form on 0505 41810 or email gaelscoilshlidala@gmail.com

A Litany for Lent

We fast from judging others, but feast on patience.
We fast from apparent differences, but feast on unity of all life.
We fast from words that pollute, but feast on words that affirm.
We fast from complaining, but feast on appreciation.
We fast from bitterness and anger, but feast on forgiveness and mercy.
We fast from discouragement, but feast on hope.
We fast from suspicion, but feast on trust. We fast from idle gossip, but feast purposeful silence. We fast from problems that overwhelm, but feast on prayer that strengthens.

Newly Baptised!

We welcome into our Catholic Christian Community: Jordan Murphy. We remember you in our prayers & we wish God's blessing on you & your families at this very special time & always!

Roscrea Readers – Sat Feb 17th 6.30pm – Bernie Campion, Sun Feb 18th 11.30am – Liz Hennessy. Couraguneeen Reader Sat Feb 17th Feb 7.30pm – Diarmuid Ryan.

PARISH LOTTO

Last Week's Lucky Dip Winner was

Mary Pyne – Congratulations

Go to www.ourfundraiser.ie/org/stcronanscluster

Age Friendly Roscrea

Rambling House. Our next Rambling House will be held on February 14th (St Valentine's Night!!) at 7.00 pm. Come join us for some songs and stories.

Living Well. A 6-week living well program, aimed at adults living with any long-term or chronic illness will take place in the courthouse starting 23rd February 10.30 – 1 pm. To book your place please get in touch with Philip on 087 1799396 philip.hennessy2@hse.ie

Feast of Our Lady of Lourdes & World Day of Prayer for the Sick.

This Sunday we celebrate the 166th anniversary of Mary, God's Mother appearing to St Bernadette at Lourdes and inviting her to bring people to Lourdes on pilgrimage. This invitation is now issued to the Diocese of Killaloe to come on pilgrimage to Lourdes from Friday 21st June to Wednesday 26th June. Cost 899pp sharing. Booking can be made with joewalshstours.ie or 01 2410800. The Diocese will be able to bring 24 assisted pilgrims, for more information on this section, please contact Fr Tom Ryan Pilgrimage Director, 087 2349816 or tfryan.ennis@gmail.com

Ballyskenach Drama Group will stage Second Confessions by Paddy Heffernan in Citeaux Hall 15th to 17th February 8.15pm. Booking essential 087-710-7307

Every Friday of Lent we will have the Stations of the Cross before or after morning Mass.

Our Lenten Journey

Our steps are slow, Our breathing ragged, Our burdens heavy.
This walk to the cross, it is not easy, yet Christ walked it for us.
For the joy that was set before him, he despised the shame, he bore our blame, and shared our pain, now let us build on the rock, that is Christ.
Let us walk the way of the cross together, moving forward without fear, into God's eternal purposes.
For Christ himself is with us, every step of the way.
Let us trust in God alone, and find the joy that Christ did, obedience to our loving God. **Amen.**