



# DUNKERRIN PARISH 2017

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## St Cronan Cluster - Current Mass Times:

<b>Saturday:</b>		
Roscrea		06.30pm
Dunkerrin & Knock		07.30pm
Couraghneen		08.00pm
<b>Sunday:</b>		
Roscrea		09.00am
Barna & Ballaghmore		09.30am
Camblin		10.00am
Moneygall & Clonakenny		11.00am
Roscrea		11.30 noon

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### Anniversary Masses:

#### Dunkerrin - St Mary's Church

Sat 30<sup>th</sup> Dec - First Anniversary Mass † **Mick Doyle**, Honeymount & also for his wife  
- Anniversary Mass

† **Teresa Doyle**, Honeymount

† **Michael Kenny**, Ballyshane, Rathangan, Co. Kildare & formerly of Castleroan

Sat 06<sup>th</sup> Jan - Months Mind Mass

† **Ann Brereton**, Rathnavogue

#### Moneygall - St Joseph's Church

Sun 31<sup>st</sup> Dec - Anniversary Mass

† **The Larkin Family**, Lower Moneygall

† **John, Brigid & Séamus O'Meara**, Derrycallaghan

**Eucharistic Ministers - Dunkerrin** - Sat 30<sup>th</sup> Dec Paula Sutton & Marian Doyle  
- Sat 06<sup>th</sup> Jan Sinead Culliton & Josie Cleary

**Eucharistic Ministers - Moneygall** - Sun 31<sup>st</sup> Dec Carmel Quinlan & Annabel Danagher  
- Sun 07<sup>th</sup> Jan Ollie Hayes & Maura O'Brien

### Mass Times for the 06<sup>th</sup> January- Feast of the Epiphany

**Fri 05<sup>th</sup> Jan** - Vigil Mass in Moneygall at 7.30pm (First Friday Mass)

Note: No morning Mass on Friday in Moneygall.

**Sat 06<sup>th</sup> Jan** - Mass in Barna at 11am  
- Mass in Dunkerrin at 7.30pm

**Please note from the 01<sup>st</sup> January 2018, Sunday Mass Times in Roscrea Parish will be as follows:**

**St Cronan's Sunday Morning Mass: 9am & 11.30am.**

**Saturday evening vigil Mass remains @ 6.30pm.**

**Thanks from Fr. Joe** - Thank you everyone who helped in Church activities over the Christmas period, especially in the liturgies & in making our churches so welcoming for the festive period. Your ongoing help & support is very much appreciated.

**January 1, 2017 is the World Day of Peace.** Pope Paul VI introduced the commemoration of the World Day of Peace in 1967; it is now celebrated every year on 1 January, this Year Catholics all over the world observe the 51<sup>st</sup> World Day of Peace. In his message this year, Pope Francis has chosen as his theme: "Migrants and Refugees: Men and Women in Search of Peace." He urges us to turn a "contemplative gaze" toward our migrant and refugee sisters and brothers and to respond to their plight with four "mileposts for action."

**Launch of Icon for World Meeting of Families 2018.** Copies will be distributed at Mass this weekend.

This icon from the outside, looks somewhat like a house with front doors. The outside doors, are presented with the Archangels Michael & Gabriel, who carry with them the desire of God to protect. Their heads are bowed in adoration & service of God, the Holy One. On the base is the inscription "Amoris Laetitia", 'The Joy of Love'.

When the doors of this icon are opened we see in the centre the Holy Family of Jesus, Mary & Joseph seated at table, sharing a meal & sharing their faith. Their faith was celebrated in their home. It is in our home that the reality of God-with-us is communicated & passed on to future generations.

Flanking the Holy Family icon are those two Gospel narratives: the Raising of Jairus' Daughter & the Wedding Feast of Cana. Passages in the Gospels in which we see Jesus' deep compassion & concern for marriage & for those living with the burdens of family life.

An icon is not like a photograph, nor is it a portrait. It is an image which invites us to prayer. It is our hope that it will invite people to prayer while we prepare our hearts for World Meeting of Families 2018.

**First Friday** next Friday 05<sup>th</sup> Jan., Fr. Joe will visit the sick & housebound. If anyone not on the list would like a visitation, please contact him.

**Parish Christmas party:** On **Sun 7<sup>th</sup> Jan at 2pm** in Dunkerrin Community centre. Please give names to Patricia 45217 or Irene 45288 by Sun 31<sup>st</sup> Dec.

**Moneygall Development Association (MDA)** will be holding a "**World Cafe**" that is open for all in the community to participate in. This community gathering on Wednesday, January 17<sup>th</sup> @ 19:30 in the Church of Ireland Hall is where we as a community come together for Tea / Coffee and move around different "idea tables" and share thoughts for the development of our community. It's not a meeting or a place you will be assigned a job, it's an opportunity for you to speak about how you want the community to develop and what direction or new ideas Moneygall needs. The evening will be facilitated by Catherine Corcoran from Limerick I.T. We appeal to you to get a representative of club/group to attend and we also would appreciate if you would send a text to people in your databases to share this information about our gathering on January 17<sup>th</sup>.

**GAA Lotto Draw 12<sup>th</sup> Dec.** No winner. Next week draw in Delaney's. Jackpot €2,450.

### Thought for the New Year:

*If you want this to be your year:*

*Don't sit on the couch and wait for it, go out, make a change, Smile more, be excited do new things, Throw away clutter, Unfollow negative people on social media, Go to bed early, wake up early, Don't gossip, Show more gratitude, Do things that challenge you, Be brave.*

**Wishing you and yours health & happiness for 2018.**