Kilconieran & Clostoken Parish

Carrabane, Athenry, Co. Galway



Holy Family
Clostoken



Holy Family Centre
Carrabane



Immaculate Conception
Kilconieran

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Pope's Intention for Nov-: For the proper use of wealth: Let us pray for the proper use of wealth, that not succumbing to the temptation of selfishness, it may always be put at the service of the common good and solidarity of those who have less.

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Sunday 1st Nov. All Saints

(Lectionary: Cycle A in Ordinary Time. Year of Matthew Weekdays Cycle 2)

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MASSES – Weekends & Special Intentions

Sat: 31st Oct: Kilconieron: 7.30pm (A) Jimmy Keogh & Sr. Theresa Keogh

Sun: 1st Nov: Clostoken: 10am (A) Bridie Spellman

Mon: 2nd Nov: Kilconieron 6.30pm-All Souls

Sat: 7th Nov: Kilconieron: 6.30pm

Sun: 8th Nov: Clostoken: 10am

Weekday
Mon
9.30am
Holy Family Centre

Servers
Team E
Team F
Team G
Team H

Ministers of God's Word
Sat: 31st Oct: Ann Dolan
Sun: 1st Nov: Marcus Doherty
Sat: 7th Nov: Marian Hynes
Sun: 8th Nov: Carmel Martyn

Eucharistic Minister
Ann Hickey
Sean Farrell
Eddie Kenny
Mary Connolly

Though for the Day: From my own experience of having loved ones die, as well as from what others have shared with me, I have found that usually, after a time, we sense that our deceased loved ones no longer need us to pray for them. Now they just want us to connect with them. Prayer for the dead does that and even through our prayers might still have to be formulated as if we are praying for them as we are now simply connecting with them and what was formerly a cold, cutting absence now becomes a warm, comforting presence.

Points to Ponder: Sometimes the Beatitudes seem loke ideals which are just too hard, or we may think we know better. But today's feast calls to mind men and women-some who are known to us perhaps-who really embody these ideals, and who are taught by the Spirit to learn from the Wisdom of Christ. This great multitude of Christians are strengthened each day to seek the face of Christ; strengthened by the Holy Spirit. Some do so despite persecution, and great tribulation. Many of our brothers and sisters in various parts of the world are still being killed and unjustly treated for their faith. And the witness of these saints gives us hope, and courage. But there are also the little sacrifices offered each day for Christ; for truth, goodness, and love. Think, for example, of how often you might have had to be a peacemaker, or be merciful at home, or at work.

The path to holiness begins with an acknowledgement that we are sinners, and longing for God's mercy and salvation. But the path winds through our kitchens, and gardens, across our cars and schools, by our offices and homes, and into our hearts. For it is ordinarily in these places that we hunger and thirst for righteousness…that we can seek God with a pure and undivided heart. And God's response is always to fill us with his blessing, giving us a share in the very life of the Blessed One, so that-we might ourselves become blessed, and join the company of his Saints.

Blessed Sacrament Adoration: Sit in pure peace and quiet for 15 minutes or one hour in the company of the Blessed Eucharist. Unburden all your concerns and indeed thanks giving's.
Monday-after 9.30am mass till 11am.
Friday-7-8pm or 8-9pm.

Christmas Fair and Bake Sale: Carrabane Foroige Club together with Carrabane women's Shed will hold a Christmas Fair and Bake Sale in Carrabane hall on Sunday the 22nd November from 11am-2pm. If you would like to rent a table for a small fee to sell your own produce, please call Mairead at 086 3968545 or Aine at 086 0676654. Come along and pick up some early Christmas presents.

First Friday Call: Fr. Lawless will visit the sick and housebound on Friday 6th Nov.

Red Wednesday-18th November: Did you know that the papal charity Aid to the Church in Need is supporting around 6,000 struggling Christian communities in almost 140 countries worldwide every year? As a Pontifical Foundation serving the Holy Father's Mission to most vulnerable, we are committed to work and pray so that Christians can thrive everywhere. A very important part of this is our annual 'Week of Witness' which takes place every November, and at the heart of that is 'Red Wednesday' when we think in a particular way of Christians who are persecuted and discriminated against because of their faith in Jesus Christ.