

## THE PARISH OF LEITRIM, BALLYDUGAN/KILMEEN (Loughrea Faith Community Area)

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### Thirty-First Week in Ordinary Time – Year C

#### Masses:

**Saturday 1st 6.30pm: All Saints. Thomas, Brigid and Sean Madden.**

**Sunday 2nd 11am: All Souls. Fr. Frank Flynn and Sr. Mary Aidan Flynn.**

Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> 8am: Holy Souls.

Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> 7.50am: Holy Souls.

Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> 8am: Holy Souls.

Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> 7.50am: Holy Souls.

**Saturday 8th 6.30pm: Stephen Murphy and deceased members of the Murphy Family**

**Sunday 9th 11am: Martin, Anne, James and Mary Salmon.**

**Confession** is available before weekend Masses or by appointment.

**Note:** Morning Mass for the school year will be at **7.50am** on **Tuesday and Thursday**.

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**Collections: November Altar List. You will find it in your Box of Collection Envelopes.** Thank you for your generous donations.

**Readers: 8th: Sophie O' Connor. 9th: Andrew Watkins.**

**Eucharistic Ministers: 8th: Mary Barrett. 9th: Gerry Hernon.**

**Counters, November: Joe and Evelyn Fahy.**

**Pope's Intention for November:** That those who are struggling with suicidal thoughts might find the support, care and love they need in their community, and be open to the beauty of life.

**Readings this Weekend: All Saints.** The ultimate object of veneration of the Saints is the glory of God and the sanctification of man by conforming one's life fully to the divine will and by imitating the virtue of those who were pre-eminent disciples of the Lord. **All Souls.** Belief in the resurrection of the dead is an essential part of Christian revelation. It implies a particular understanding of the ineluctable mystery of death.

**Reflection:** According to the faith of the Church, 'to die in Christ' begins at Baptism. In Baptism, the Lord's disciples sacramentally die in Christ so as to live a new life. If the disciples die in the grace of Christ, physical death seals that 'dying with Christ', and consummates it by incorporating them fully and definitively into Christ the Redeemer.

**A thought: The saints are God's jewels, highly esteemed by and dear to him; they are a royal diadem in his hand. – Matthew Henry.**

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#### Notices: Kilnadeema/Leitrim GAA Club: Results to Follow

**Forth Coming Events: Baptism, Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> November, St. Andrew Church, 12.15pm.**

**The Ordinary Jubilee Year** takes place every twenty-five years. It is a special time of reconciliation with God and with one another. During the Jubilee Year 2025, the Cathedral of Our Lady Assumed into Heaven and St Nicholas, Galway and the Cathedral of St Brendan, Loughrea, have been dedicated as special places of pilgrimage where the Holy Year Indulgence may be obtained. [www.galwaydiocese.ie](http://www.galwaydiocese.ie) [www.clonfertdiocese.ie](http://www.clonfertdiocese.ie) © Diocese of Galway, Kilmacduagh and Kilfenora, Diocese of Clonfert

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**Prayer Guidance Training Course:** Interviews are now underway for the new training programme for prayer guides which begins in Knock Shrine in January 2026. For further information, dates and application form please email [prayerguidancetraining@gmail.com](mailto:prayerguidancetraining@gmail.com)

**Worldwide Marriage Encounter** – Marriage Enrichment Weekend: Rediscover each other in Focolare Centre, Curryhills, Prosperous, Co Kildare on **Friday 7th – Sunday 9th November 2025**. Open to all married couples. Register online at [www.marriageencounter.ie](http://www.marriageencounter.ie)

**Lord God, whose days are without end**, and whose mercies beyond counting, keep us mindful that life is short and the hour of death unknown. Let your spirit guide our days on earth in ways of holiness and justice, that we may serve you in union with the whole Church, sure in faith, strong in hope, perfect in love. And when our earthly journey is ended, lead us rejoicing into your kingdom, where you live for ever and ever. Amen. **-Order of Christian Funerals, 332.**

**Theology is** 'the critical unpacking of the revelation of God that takes place in human experience through faith...the experience of life and all its spiritual implications, especially those that point towards the presence of God at the centre of life itself.' – **Dermot Lane.**



