

MASS TIMES This WEEK**Loughmore**

Vigil Mass	8.00pm
Sunday	11.00am
Monday, Tuesday, Thursday & Friday	9.30am
Wednesday	8.00pm

Castleiney

Vigil Mass	7.00pm
Sunday	10.00am
Monday to Thursday	9.30am
Friday	<u>9.00am</u>

Thank You

Last week's Offertory Collection.

Loughmore €181

Parish Funds Renovation Fund

Donate a Slate

Total Donate a Slate €23840

Total Renovation Fund €305,848.48

Castleiney Offertory Collection €262

Eucharistic Adoration in Castleiney Church on Tuesday from 10.00 to 11.00am and from 5.00pm to 9.00pm.

Loughmore Church on Thursday from 10.00am to 12.00 and 6.00pm to 10.00pm.

Baptism: We welcome into the local Christian Community John son of Kevin Sheehan and Imelda Maher, Carrick, Loughmore who was baptised recently.

Diocesan Pilgrimage to Knock will take place on Sunday 5th August.

Progressive 25: this Sunday night at 8.45pm in Loughmore Parish Centre.

Parish Defibrillator: Launch of defibrillator will take place in Loughmore Parish Centre on this Friday June 29th at 8:30 pm. Everyone welcome, and all support would be gratefully appreciated.

 **In Memoriam** 

We remember our Deceased Relatives and friends

Recently Deceased

Dinny (Denis) Ryan Lorrha.

Loughmore

John & Bridget Moynihan Derry 8.00pm

Castleiney

Next Weekend 30th June /1st July

Loughmore

Kevin Cole Templemore & Rucker 8.00pm

Months Mind**Castleiney**

-May they Rest in Peace

Loughmore National School

Cake Sale in the school after Masses this weekend, Refreshments will be served.

Family Fun Day Wednesday starting at 11am. All are welcome.

6th Class Graduation Mass on Friday 29th at 9.30 am.

Your support will be appreciated.

Loughmore Community Shop & Tearooms :group are holding a Public Information Night in Loughmore Community Centre on this Wednesday 27th at 8.00pm. We welcome all parishioners and any interested parties to what will be a very informative presentation and talk on this innovative and exciting project which will be opening very soon at The Cottage, Loughmore. We will have a number of guest speakers on the night and will also be announcing the winner of our primary school competition "Name a Sandwich". Looking forward to seeing you all on the night.

Castleiney Tidy Village: The work continues on this Monday evening at 8.00pm. (Weather permitting) Please come along and give a helping hand and bring along appropriate garden tools.

Castleiney National School Art Exhibition :in Castleiney Hall until next Tuesday evening Key in Nolan's shop. Well worth a visit all are welcome.

Loughmore- Castleiney GAA Lotto:

Numbers Drawn: 8, 26, 27, 28 No Winner

Promoters Draw: Robert Nolan

In House Draw: Jim Russell

Lucky Dip Winners €40.00each

Niamh Treacy Kiltillane, Bill Ryan Whitefield

Andy Purcell Silvermines

Mairead Cullen Ballyknockane.

Next week's Jackpot **€3200** Draw will take place in Nolan's Bar next Wednesday at 9.30pm.

The Miracle Baby

John was a miracle baby. To everyone's astonishment the new baby was born to the elderly Elizabeth and her husband Zachariah. "What then will this child be?" they all asked, "For the hand of the Lord was with him." It was obvious that God had plans for this baby. It would seem John was destined for greatness.

We all have high hopes for our children. Most of us give our children the right opportunities then hope for the best. Some of us are inclined to push a little harder, enrolling children for every extra curricular activity and investing in places at the best schools and the best universities in the hope of top notch careers. It is only human to want what is best for our children. It is only human to hope they will make us proud. Would we be proud if our children chose to dress in camel hair and went off to preach in the desert feeding on locusts? Probably not! Yet John the Baptist is probably one of the greatest figures in the history of Christianity. John focused on what was most important, and that wasn't money or prestige. John dedicated his life to pointing the world in the direction of Jesus. John is a reminder to us all that greatness doesn't come from education, breeding, position, wealth or event talent. John's place in history is etched for all to celebrate from one age to the next and it comes simply from speaking the truth consistently and courageously. Greatness is not determined by the world. Greatness lies in recognising the gifts God has given us, and living by them.

