

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 Friday	9.30am

Thank You

Last week's Offertory Collection.

Loughmore €386

Parish Funds €320 Renovation Fund €66

Total Renovation Fund **€336,151.88**

Spending to date €293,097.38

Balance in Renovation Fund **€43054.50**

Castleiney Offertory Collection €196

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

Eucharistic Adoration in Loughmore on Thursday from 10.00am to 12.00midday & 6.00 to 9.00pm.

Sacristan/Cleaner Collection: : This collection will be taken up next weekend. It is the annual collection for our sacristans and cleaner. Envelope is in your box of envelopes. Your support for this collection would be appreciated.

Loughmore Church Fundraising Committee :will hold its AGM on this Monday night 22nd April in Loughmore Community Centre at 8.30p.m. All welcome to attend

Trocaire: A further €339 was added last week to the Trocaire Lenten Campaign – this brings the total to date to **€2158.00** Again thank you for your support for Trocaire who from your generosity can help the people of the Third World.

**In Memoriam**

We remember our Deceased Relatives and friends

Recently Deceased

Denis Carroll Ferrybank Waterford

late of Ballybrista

Anniversary Masses**Loughmore**

Neil & Julia Stapleton The Village 8.00pm

Tommy Murray Tinvoher Wednesday 8.00pm

Castleiney

Next Weekend 27th/28th April

Loughmore

Phil Gleeson Brownstown, Loughmore

Month's Mind 8.00pm

Castleiney Folk Group: Rehearsal on Monday at 8.30pm in the church for singing at Mass on Saturday May 4th.

Defibrillator: Responders for this week are:

**Jim Russell, Patricia King, Jim Healy,
Pat Treacy and Liam Butler.**

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

Loughmore- Castleiney GAA Lotto Results.

Numbers Drawn: 4, 6, 14, 29 No Winner

In House Draw: Dara Nolan

Promoters Draw: Pat Treacy

Lucky Dip Winners €40 each:

Kevin Kelly Loughmore, Anna Kearney Whitefield, Avril & Ronan Tangri Loughmore Breda Moynihan Derry Loughmore
Next week's Jackpot **€9650** draw will take place in stapleton's Bar on Wednesday at 9.30pm.

Loughmore Tidy Village: Thanks to everyone that came out in the not so good weather and helped on their own roads with the Spring Clean last weekend. Only two roads in the entire Parish were not cleaned. One large skip was filled. Thanks to the ladies in the kitchen for the refreshments after the clean-up. We would urge people to be more litter conscious in 2013.

A SPECIAL CALLING

Every person, I suppose, has their eccentricities but in an effort to be normal in the world's eye they overcome them and therefore destroy their special calling

When people fall in love they often talk of meeting someone with whom they can 'be themselves', who loves them as they are – imperfections, eccentricities and all. Likewise when we are with good friends, we can be confident that we are accepted and appreciated as we are; in fact the best relationships are those which inspire us to look beyond ourselves, to develop our talents and to aim ever higher.

Short and sweet as it is, there is something very comforting about today's Gospel reading. Today is known as Good Shepherd Sunday, when we are reminded of the strong bond and relationship Jesus has with us, his flock. 'The sheep that belong to me listen to my voice; I know them and they follow me,' says Jesus. He knows who we are, and he also knows what we are capable of. The First Reading today reminds us that we are called to be 'a light for the nations'. We all have our gifts, our strengths and our special calling, and our own unique role to play.

SEEING YOUR LIFE THROUGH THE LENS OF THE GOSPELS

1 Jesus tells us that we can rely on his relationship with us. Think of the relationships you have in which you feel safe and secure because there is mutual understanding and the relationship has stood the test of time.
2 Jesus says that the disciple is one who listens. What is your experience of listening to the word of God in the Scriptures? To what other voices have you listened and found guidance?
3 The faithful disciple is also one who follows the path of love that Jesus preached and practiced. Although it may be difficult at times, it is in following it we find life. Where have you had the experience of listening, responding, loving and finding life?