

MASS TIMES This WEEKLoughmore

Vigil Mass	8.00pm
Sunday	11.00am
Monday & Tuesday	No Mass
Wednesday	8.00pm
Thursday, Friday & Saturday	9.30am

Castleiney

Vigil Mass	7.00pm
Sunday	10.00am
Monday, Tuesday & Wednesday	9.30am
Thursday & Friday	No Mass

Thank You

Last week's Offertory Collection.

Loughmore €342

Parish Funds €324 Renovation Fund €4

Total Renovation Fund €336,858.88

Spending to date €293,097.38

Balance in Renovation Fund €43771.50

Castleiney Offertory Collection

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 11.00am & 6.00pm to 9.00pm.

Clergy July Collection: A sincere thank you to all who contributed to the July collection for the priest of the Parish and of the Archdiocese. Your support is very much appreciated. A total of €195 came in and this brings the total to €12,590. If you have forgotten this collection, you envelope will be welcome next weekend. Our target for this collection is €24,288.

Sympathy: We offer our prayers and sympathy to wife Breda and to the daughter, sons, grandchildren, sister, brothers, family and friends of the late Oliver (Ollie) Ryan, Tinvoher, who died recently.

Annual Grave Yard Masses

Loughmore Friday 26th July at 7.30pm

Templeree Friday 9th August at 7.30pm

✠ **In Memoriam** ✠

We remember our Deceased Relatives and friends

Recently Deceased

Oliver (Ollie) Ryan, Tinvoher, Loughmore.

Anniversary MassesLoughmoreCastleiney

Paddy Treacy, Killanigan	7.00pm
Michael Walsh, The Village	10.00pm

Next Weekend 27th/28th July

Loughmore

Eileen Brennan, The Village	8.00pm
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Castleiney

May they Rest in Peace

Defibrillator: Responders for this week are:

Kathryn Morris, Kathleen Hennessy,

Jim Healy, Gerry Stapleton,

Liam Butler.

Dial 112 for Ambulance, followed by

0504 60011 for local defibrillator

The Annual Grave Yard Mass for all who are

buried in the three graveyards in **Loughmore** will take place on this **Friday, July 26th at 7.30pm.**

Everyone is invited to the Hall for refreshments after Mass. Confectionery from the ladies of the Parish will be appreciated.

Weekly Newsletter New e-mail address

Please send any items for inclusion in weekly newsletter to:

loughmorecastleineyparish@gmail.com

All items to be received by 6.00pm on the Friday

Diocesan Pilgrimage to Knock –

Sunday, August 4th

Loughmore/Castleiney Juvenile GAA Club

Annual Bag Packing will take place in Dunnes Stores, Thurles on Friday, 2nd August and Saturday, 3rd August. We would appreciate as much help as possible for this fund raising event.

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

Loughmore-Castleiney GAA Lotto Results

Numbers Drawn: 1, 10, 19, 30 No Winner

In House Draw: Joe McGrath

Promoters Draw: Michael Treacy

4 Lucky Dip Winners €40 each:

Tom Connolly, Barronstown,

Patricia Bohan, Castleiney,

Nicky Doyle, Gurteen ,

Anna Stapleton, Cuguilla.

Next week's Jackpot €11,600 draw will take place in

Nolan's Bar on Wednesday at 9.30pm.

Martha or Mary?

Jesus has come to visit. Martha is in the kitchen preparing the meal. Mary is sitting listening to Jesus and not doing anything to help her sister. Martha suddenly loses her rag! This isn't fair, Mary should be helping her. Then Jesus surprises us. He tells Martha not to worry about things that don't really matter. "Mary," he tells her "**has chosen the better part.**"

It's a parable that gets us all hot and bothered, but that's what makes it such a clever story. Jesus takes a common domestic occurrence and turns it into a lesson. That Jesus takes Mary's side is surprising, since most of us, especially women, will take Martha's side. This of course is where we all fall down in our appreciation of the lesson. We spend a lot of time deciding whose side we should be on, when it really isn't about taking sides. Jesus' point is about finding a balance between listening and taking action. Martha is a symbol of our modern world ... too busy to listen; too busy to stop and think. However, if Martha hadn't busied herself in the kitchen, Jesus would not have eaten that night. Jesus clearly isn't condemning Martha for her action, but is pointing out that the better part is action based on listening and forethought.

The gospel today teaches us that listening and understanding is the prerequisite for discipleship. The real danger in our busy lives is that we simply run round like headless chickens doing the same jobs day in day out, without ever developing spiritually. We are being asked to slow down a little, to stop think and listen.