

**CLOUGHJORDAN PARISH NEWSLETTER – 19th January 2025**

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**Weekend Mass Times:**

**Ardcroney – Vigil Mass Friday at 7.30pm**

**Kilruane – Vigil Mass Saturday at 6pm:**

**Cloughjordan – Sunday at 11am**

**INTRODUCTION TO THE SCRIPTURE READINGS:** **First Reading:** The bridegroom rejoices in his bride. **Second Reading:** One and the same Spirit, who distributes different gifts to different people just as he chooses. **Gospel:** This was the first of the signs given by Jesus; it was given at Cana in Galilee.

**MASS INTENTIONS:**

Sat 18th Kilruane: Rose Grace & deceased family members

Sun 19th Cloughjordan: Sarah Sheppard (1st Anniversary)  
Phoebe & Tom Deane  
their son Jim, his wife Mary & their daughter Emma  
Michael Cahill  
Stephen Killackey

Fri 24th Ardcroney: Willie Cleary

Sat 25th Kilruane: Maureen O'Connell  
**We pray for all who have died and all whose anniversaries occur at this time.**

**CLOUGHJORDAN WEEKDAY MASSES:** Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday at 9.30am

**CLOUGHJORDAN LAY LITURGY:** Monday & Friday at 9.30am

Mon 20th Presider: Gay Kieran - Eucharistic Minister: Anne Heffernan

Fri 24th Presider: Una MacNamara - Eucharistic Minister: Nancy Feighery.

**WEEKDAY READERS:** Mon 20th Seamus Quinlivan, Tue 21st Maureen Shelly,  
Wed 22nd Margaret O'Rourke, Thurs 23rd May Casey, Fri 24th Una MacNamara.

**EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS:**

Ardcroney Fri 24th Frances Cleary  
Kilruane Sat 25th Majella Delahunty & Margaret Walsh  
Cloughjordan Sun 26th Josie Hayes & Anne Williams

**READERS:**

Ardcroney Fri 24th Mary Rose Cleary -- Reader and Prayers  
Kilruane Sat 25th Michael Kennedy – Reader : Bernard Delahunty -- Prayers  
Cloughjordan Sun 26th Maggie Ryan – Reader and Prayers

**GREETERS & WELCOMERS – FEBRUARY**

Ardcroney: Pat Haverty : Kilruane: Anne Kelly  
Cloughjordan: Jimmy Cahill & Martin Kennedy

**PRAYER GROUP, CLOUGHJORDAN:** Meets every Wednesday in the Parish Office from 8pm to 9pm. Everyone welcome.

**MONEY MATTERS – last weekend**

Basket collection: €474.74 - Development Fund €515.70

**Many thanks for your continued support towards our Parish.**

**CLOUGHJORDAN DRAMA GROUP:** Will present a Bernard Farrell play "***I do not like thee Dr Fell***" in the Parochial Hall, Step Road on the 22nd, 24th & 25th January. Booking essential 083/0122193 – lines open 6pm to 8pm.

**RECENTLY BAPTISED:** We welcome **Aliya Rose Cleary** into the Christian Community through the Sacrament of Baptism.

**CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK 2025 – ALIVE IN CHRIST:** Will run from Sunday 19th to Saturday 25th January.

"Christ is alive! He is our hope, and in a wonderful way he brings youth to our world, and everything he touches becomes young, new, full of life. The very first words, then, that I would like to say to every young Christian are these: Christ is alive, and he wants you to be alive!" – **Pope Francis**, Christus Vivit, Section 1.

Reflecting on the theme, Catholic schools will explore what it means to be fully alive as a human being – living life to the full in Christ. Sensitive to the age appropriateness of the various classes and years, the theme will explore how we exist for one another in Christ, building from the wellbeing of the individual, extending the notion of true wellbeing to others, to our families and communities, and to The Other, in God. The theme will mediate on hope, the true purpose and meaning of human life, and, in the more senior years, on freedom. As is usual, the theme will be connected at primary level with Grandparents' Day on the Wednesday of Catholic Schools Week, and with the Family in post-primary. There will be a November 'turning to' remembrance moment.

**MARIAN PILGRIMAGES:** For 2025 we will continue the great offer of €50 off per person for all bookings to Medjugorje before 1 February! This means that 7 nights in Medjugorje could be as low as €745 pps. Plus, you will only have to pay a deposit of €200 to book. With the balance of payments not due till 8 weeks before departure.

**MACDONAGHS LOTTO** 13/01/2025. Numbers drawn: 3-4-10-14. No Jackpot Winner. 8x€25: Liam O'Kelly, Beechwood; Jim & Paula Cleary, Ardcroney; Jamie Reidy, Portroe; Brady Twins, Dundalk; Catherine Nevin, Ardcroney; Willie Brennan, Cloughjordan; Orna Hackett, Coachyard; Janice Lawlor, Cloughjordan.  
Jackpot next week €6,900. Thanks for your continued support

**NEW YEAR PRAYER FOR PEACE**

God Our Father, we give you thanks,  
for all the good things in our lives.

As we look forward to this new year  
we ask you, to give us all hearts of peace.

We pray for peace in our homes, and in the world.

Give hearts of peace and love to all,  
who think only of war and destruction,  
so that, all fighting and war will end.

And all the time we pray, in the name of Jesus  
who is with us always. Amen.

Parish office opening hours: Monday, Wednesday & Thursday 10am to 3pm

