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RAHEEN PARISH LOTTO RESULTS

Wed 12th Feb 2020 - Numbers **08-15-16-18**
NO €10,000 Jackpot Winner -

11 Match 3s win €91 each **NO** local winners
Next weeks' jackpot €11,000

Whist Results - Wed 12th Feb

Top score: Louise Kavanagh. Lady 1: Billy Carter. Lady 2: Nora Breen. Gent 1: Michael Kennedy. Gent 2: Billy O'Keefe. Halves: PJ Cahill, Rose Cunningham, Henry Martyn and Bride Reilly. **Raffle:** Maura McQuillan. Billy O'Keefe and Lena McEvoy. Thanks for your support. Whist continues on **Wednesday @ 8pm and Friday at 8:30pm.**

Dancing in Abbeyleix Golf Club

Every Sunday night - This Sunday night 16th Feb dancing to **"The Wicklow Man"** The following week is **"Country Pride"** A great night assured

Colt / Shanahoe GAA Club

The Club are hosting a Golf outing in the Heath Golf Club on Sat 25th April. This is our first fundraiser as a club and we hope as many as possible to take part. More details soon



Shanahoe Ladies Football

-Registration Evening- In Shanahoe Hall on FEB 22nd Doors open @ **5.30pm.** Movie @ 6pm. Pick Up @ 7.15pm. (Bring your own snacks). Registration fees for 2020 - U6: €25, U8s & U10s: €35, U12s- U18s: €45, Adults: €65. NEW MEMBERS WELCOME.



Colt GAA CLUB- Lotto Results

31/1/2020
 Winning Numbers: 07-9-11
NO Jackpot Winner:
 4 x '20: Nan Dunne /o T. Brennan, Keegan Kids c/o B. Keegan, Darren Brennan c/o T. Brennan, Julie Lalor c/o R. Doogue Moffitt
Next Weeks Jackpot 4,300

Mountrath Parish Concert -

Present "The Three Tenors" in concert in St. Fintans Church next Fri 21st Feb. At 8pm. This is a parish fundraiser event. Phone 087-2411594 for tickets. Tickets on sale at €25

Annie Apple Hits London Fashion Week -



Our very own Raheen native Anne Duff will represent Ireland at one of the world's largest fashion events in London this weekend. Winner of Miss Curvette Model Search Competition 2019/20, Anne will take to the Cat Walk this weekend. The Raheen native will launch her career as a curvy model and throughout the year will also catwalk at numerous Ireland's Fashion Festival Shows that will be nationwide this year up and down the country. London Fashion Week takes place at Millennium Gloucester Hotel London, Kensington.
Best wishes and well done Anne

St. Fintan's Parish - Raheen - NEWSLETTER

Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year A) February 16th

If your virtue goes no deeper than that of the scribes and Pharisees, you will never get into the kingdom of heaven.

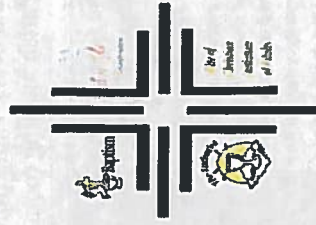
You can do the right thing for the wrong reason, like going to mass to be seen there, or to avoid God's displeasure.

Like helping someone in school to look well for a teacher - and then our virtue is no deeper than a hypocrite's.

We are people of mixed motivations, and God wants our goodness to be sincere. In the intention of the heart, God is pleased wanting our lives to be lived in love.

The smallest help to another done in love is worth more than the biggest done to get approval;

that's what Jesus meant when he praised the poor woman who gave away a small amount - all she had; and what it means is that God never asks more than we can give. And we can give everything away, even our bodies in death, but if we have no love, it means nothing at all.
We ask for the gift of sincerity.



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Next Weekend Masses 15th & 16th Feb

Raheen: Saturday 15th Feb. Mass at 7.30pm
 - *Brendan Fitzpatrick & Clonboyne. (20th Anniversary)*
 - *Peter Lalor Cook.*
 - *Brigid Kelly.*

Shanahoe: Sunday 16th Feb. Mass at 9.30am
 - *Joseph O Toole, Shanahoe.*

Weekday Masses this Week

Raheen: Thursday 20th February Mass at 10am
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Next Weekend Masses
22nd & 23rd February

Raheen: Saturday 22nd February Mass
 at 7.30pm
 - *Tess Seal.*
 - *Mary Delaney, Cloncough & deceased members of*
Delaney & Bergin families.

Shanahoe: Sunday 23rd February Mass at 9.30am
 - *Billy Mulholland.*



Thank you for your contributions
 to **Parish Funds**

8th / 9th Feb 2020



Raheen:

Offertory Collection: €253.00
 Weekly Envelope: €363.20

Shanahoe:

Offertory Collection: €156.35.
 Weekly Envelope: €389.65

Lectio Divine

Praying with the Sacred Scriptures each week during Lent. Beginning Thurs 27th Feb and every Thurs from 8-9pm in Raheen Parish meeting room. All welcome.

The Feast of the Chair of Peter

Saturday
 22nd February

In every diocese, the 'head church' is called the cathedral. The word cathedral, is derived from the Latin word cathedra, which means chair. Ever since the times in which the apostles lived, the bishop's cathedra, or chair, has symbolised leadership and authority. ... the same authority that Jesus first gave to Peter, our first pope. The feast of the 'Chair of Saint Peter' commemorates the establishment of the See of Rome.



LIFE

Life is an opportunity, seize it
 Life is a beauty, admire it
 Life is a blessing, appreciate it
 Life is a dream, make it a reality
 Life is a challenge, face it
 Life is a duty, respect it
 Life is a game, play it
 Life is rich, treasure it
 Life is love, rejoice in it

Life is a mystery, solve it
 Life is a promise, fulfil it
 Life is sadness, overcome it
 Life is a rhythm, sing it
 Life is a battle, understand it
 Life is a tragedy, accept it
 Life is an adventure, live it
 Life is happiness, merit it
 Life is life, defend it



Raheen Senior Citizen Party 2020
 in the Abbeyleix

Manor Hotel on Sunday 29th March
 Keep the date free!



BICENTENARY MISCELLANY
 St. Fintan of Clonenagh and Cromogue died on 17th February around the year 590 AD.
 His feast-day is celebrated on 17th February each year.

List of Gospel Readings For The Week:

Sat Feb 15th Mk 8:1-10
 Sun Feb 16th Mt 5:17-37
 Mon Feb 17th Mk 8:11-13
 Tues Feb 18th Mk 8:14-21
 Wed Feb 19th Mk 8:22-26
 Thurs Feb 20th Mk 8:27-33
 Fri Feb 21st Mk 8:34-9:1
 Sat Feb 22nd Mk 16:13-19



Baptism Dates

Raheen: Sunday March 1st
Shanahoe: Sunday March 8th
 Please give 3 weeks notice to the Parish Office

From Grief to Grace

A holy hour of prayer for those affected by sexual abuse will take place in the Cathedral of the Assumption, Carlow on Friday 28th February beginning at 7.30pm. All are welcome.

Coming soon from Fr Liam Lawton ~ " High is the Heaven "

This is a new collection of Liturgical/Choral pieces especially for Parish Choirs. It contains Music for the Eucharist, Psalms, (including the Psalm which Fr Liam composed for the Papal Mass with Pope Francis) Music for Christmas, and also a special Psalm composed for Weddings and a piece composed for the centenary of my home Church of St.Mary's Edenderry. It will be available from Veritas.

Mission Appeal

Sr. Nuala of the Franciscan Missionaries of Mary will visit Raheen parish **NEXT weekend of 22nd & 23rd February** and speak at the Masses. Your hospitality and support will be greatly appreciated.

Celebrating the Feast of St. Fintan

The St. Fintan's Well Mass celebration is now **cancelled** due to Storm Dennis arrival this weekend.

The Mass is now rescheduled for June.
 All are welcome to what promises to be a wonderful afternoon.

