



Abbeyleix & Ballyroan Parish NEWSLETTER



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February 16th 2020

Sixth Sunday of the Year

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Re scheduling of Celebrating the Feast of St. Fintan

Due to forecasted Storm Denis for this weekend, the Celebration of St. Fintan has been cancelled. It has been rescheduled to take place on Sunday June 28th at 3pm in Cromogue at St. Fintans Well.

Apologies for any inconvenience caused.

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CHANGE



Tidy Towns gold medallist Abbeyleix is on the glittering awards trail yet again, as it chases the 2020 'Ireland's Best Kept Towns' title. The heritage town was selected for the 32 county contest last week on the basis its excellent performance in the 2019 Tidy Towns competition, when it retained its gold status as county winner.

Lets be proud of our Great Town and continue to support Tidy Towns.



Every week Mass is celebrated in Abbeyleix Hospital with residents, day care and staff. Its always a very warm and positive experience. The hospital in Abbeyleix is deeply valued by all in our community as it responds with such compassion to our elderly residents.

First Holy Communion Dates

First Penance, for all First Holy Communion candidates will take place on February 26th as follows:

Abbeyleix : 6.30pm in the Church of the Most Holy Rosary

Ballyroan: 7.30pm in St. Patricks Church

Confirmation Dates

Our Ceremony of Light will take place in Abbeyleix on **Saturday February 29th** and in **Ballyroan on Sunday 30th at 9.30am.**



We are very blessed to have such wonderful young people preparing for these special moments in their lives. I pray too for all their families that great peace, and rich blessing will be given to them all. I really appreciate the support of our teachers at this time. Fr. Paddy.



Public Meeting

There will be a public meeting held in the School Hall **February 25th at 8pm.** This will be hosted by Fr. Paddy and the Board of Management. The meeting is to actively pursue, the best possible way to gain immediate and necessary improvements to the School building.

This is all our concern as a community to safeguard the best possible educational environment for our young people in Abbeyleix.

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PARISH WEBSITE

**OUR NEW PARISH WEBSITE/WEBCAM
FOR LIVE STREAMING FROM THE
CHURCH OF THE MOST HOLY ROSARY
FOR ALL MASSES !**

Website : abbeyleixparish.ie

WebCam: abbeyleixparish.ie/webcam/

Readers Rota

15th/16th Feb: Sam Moore, Mary Egan / Fiona Mc Corry,
Jackie Walsh

22nd/23rd Feb: Elizabeth O'Keeffe, Mary Moynihan / Bernie
Loughman, Dermot Dunne

29th/1st March: Yvonne Murphy, Fionn Bardon / Michael
Martin, Gerry O'Hara

7th/8th March: Marie Thompson, Joe Murphy /
Liam Holohan, Claire Chambers

Eucharistic Ministers

15th Feb: Ann Phelan, Derry Connolly & Mary O'Keeffe

16th Feb: Mary Fennelly, PJ Lalor, Miro Rusnak
& Maria Rusnak

22nd Feb: Fintan Dunne, Pascal Whelan & Nora Moore

ABBEYLEIX PARISH LOTTO

Please support our Parish Lotto

**DRAW RESULTS FOR 12th February 2020
IN ASSOCIATION WITH K&L CO-OP LOTTO**

08- 15 - 16 - 18

NO €10,000 Jackpot Winner

11 MATCH 3 WINNERS WIN €91 each

LOCAL WINNERS

Breda Corcoran

Tom Lawlor

NEXT WEEK'S JACKPOT €11,000

Don't judge others before you know them

"A 24 year old boy seeing out from the train's window
shouted...

'Dad, look the trees are going behind!'

Dad smiled and a young couple sitting nearby, looked
at the 24 year old's childish behavior with pity, sud-
denly he again exclaimed...

'Dad, look the clouds are running with us!'

The couple couldn't resist and said to the old man...

'Why don't you take your son to a good doctor?'

The old man smiled and said...'I did and we are just
coming from the hospital, my son was blind from birth,
he just got his eyes today.'

Every single person on the planet has a story. Don't
judge people before you truly know them. The truth
might surprise you."

**The collection for last weekends Mass 8th & 9th February
for Abbeyleix & Ballyroan was €2300**

Many thanks to all who so generously contributed.

Ballyroan Rotas

Readers Rota

16th Feb: Martin McDonald, Rosemary O'Donnell
& Marian Murphy

23rd Feb: Eithne Dunne, Frances Walker
& Margaret

Eucharistic Ministers

16th Feb: Anna Byrne

23rd Feb: Terry Carroll