

KILLINAGH & GLANGEVLIN

Oct. 1st 2017

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Oct. 1st. Day for Life prayer Prayer to Mary, Mother of the Life Within

O Mary, Mother of the Life Within, all life we entrust to you;
The life of every expectant mother and the child within her womb: The life of every human body,
the life of every human soul; The life of every newborn child and the life of all grown old.
You held the Lord to your own heart and drew him so close in.
So draw us now in all our needs, O Mother of the Life Within. Amen

- Parish Pastoral Council Monday 2nd 8pm Gowlan Centre

John Paul II Awards Killinagh-Glangevlin

The Awards Ceremony takes place in Cavan Crystal Hotel at 11am Friday Oct. 6th

- Monthly Communion calls Killinagh-Gowlan Monday afternoon /Glan Tuesday morning

❖ Loughan House Chapel (For residents and staff)

Sat. 30th 6.15pm Vigil Mass

Sat. 7th 6.15pm Vigil Mass

❖ ST. FELIM’S GOWLAN

Sat. 30th 7.30pm Anniv. Phil, Agnes Mc Caffrey Monragh and family/Melanaphy family

Mon. 2nd. 7.30pm The Guardian Angels

Sat. 7th 7.30pm Anniv. John, Kathleen Melanaphy Curravagh/Michael Melanaphy Garvolt

❖ ST. PATRICK’S KILLINAGH (Blacklion)

Sun.Oct. 1st 10am Anniv. Francis, Angela, Liam, Maggie Kelly Killycarney

Wed. 4th 6.30am Morning Prayer

7am Morning Mass. St. Francis of Assisi d. 1226

Fri. 6th 7.30pm Anniv. John James, Mary Greene/Gerry, Cait Fenlon

Sun. 8th 10am Anniv. Tom, Shiela Mc Niffe Canabo

- Servers for Oct. 8th Donnacha Maguire, Patrick Nolan, Johnny Doherty

❖ ST. PATRICK’S GLANGEVLIN

Sun. Oct. 1st 11.30am Anniv. Fr. John Flynn, Margaret, Peter, Peggy Mc Partlin Dowra

Tues. 3rd 10am Morning Mass.

Sun. 8th 11.30am Anniv. Rosaleen Mc Govern Mully Upper

Gw. 23rd €180

Kl. 24th €455/£58.80

Gl. 24th €265

The main points from the Catholic Bishops to the Citizens’ Assembly on the 8th Amendment.

- The *Constitution* celebrates the equality of the mother and the unborn child in its Eighth Amendment.
- The deletion or amendment of Article 40.3.3, would serve no purpose other than to withdraw the right to life from some categories of unborn children. To do so would radically change the principle, for all unborn children and indeed for all of us, that the right to life is a fundamental human right.
- For us, as Christians, there is no conflict between faith and reason. Just as reason leads us to recognise the continuity of every human life, from fertilisation to natural death, so faith allows us to see each person as having his or her origins in the intention of God and his or her fulfilment in eternal life.

- We are concerned that language is being used with the intention of depersonalising certain categories of unborn children in a way which seeks to normalise abortion.
- Many thousands of Irish people are alive as a direct result of the enactment of the Eighth Amendment, who might otherwise never have been born.
- We believe that every unborn child, irrespective of his or her medical condition or the circumstances of his or her birth, has the right to be treated equally before the law.
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- Where a seriously ill pregnant woman needs medical treatment which may, as a secondary effect, put the life of her baby at risk, such treatments are always ethically permissible provided every effort has been made to save the life of both the mother and her baby. Abortion, by contrast, is the direct and intentional destruction of an unborn baby and is gravely immoral in all circumstances. It is not a medical treatment.

Fostering a culture that supports life and respects women

There is currently a campaign to remove Article 40.3.3 (the pro-life article) from the *Constitution of Ireland*. It is exactly fifty years since the 1967 Abortion Act was passed in England, Scotland and Wales. Abortion, though less available in Ireland than in the UK, is lawful under certain circumstances on both sides of the border. As we face the immediate challenge here in Ireland, and mark the fifty years since the passing of the 1967 Act on the neighbouring island, we are drawn to reflect, to pray and to offer practical and emotional support to those in need. We pray especially for those who have lost a child and for those who are concerned about their pregnancy.

Loss

The joy of a couple at the prospect of becoming parents gives way to despair if the mother suffers a miscarriage or their baby is stillborn.

Caroline miscarried her sixth baby, Raphael, in the fourteenth week of pregnancy in 2013. She and her husband asked their priest to conduct a funeral and a burial. 'Actually doing something to mark our loss was so healing. It was a reminder that the baby was a real person. Naming the baby was important too. The way we see it, we have a child ahead of us in heaven praying for us.'

Grief can also be associated with having an abortion. **Laura**, who had an abortion at eight weeks, describes the moment, years later, when she acknowledged she had ended a life. It happened when she saw a group of primary school children and realised that her baby would have been the same age. Her next step was to go to Confession. She says, 'Understanding the truth of abortion is just the beginning. With absolution, the weight of shame and guilt is lifed forever.'

Compassion

Pope Francis, reminding us of the consistent teaching of the Church, describes abortion as a grave sin. As a compassionate pastor, however, he reminds priests that they are called to be ministers of God's mercy. He also points out that we have not done enough to support pregnant women in desperate situations who see abortion as a quick solution.

The Parent Association of Scoil Naomh Padraig are holding an informative coffee morning after mass on Sunday 1st October 2017, to showcase plans for the new playground equipment to be installed in 2018. Everyone welcome.

Shannon Gaels News. Club Lotto results: Draw on September 17th, 2017. Jackpot €5,400. Numbers drawn were 4, 6, 10 & 22 and there was no jackpot winner. €20's winners were Paul McTiernan, Belcoo, Gary Irwin, Boho, Co. Fermanagh, The Mullen Family, Glangevlin, and Henry Fitzpatrick, Cashel, Dowra. Next lotto draw takes place on October 1st 2017 in the "Glan Bar". **Committee Meeting** on Wednesday the 4th October 2017 at 9:30pm and all committee are requested to attend.

Gentle Aerobics, Blacklion

The Market House, Blacklion on Monday evenings starting on 2nd October 7.30pm-9pm. The class will run on 6 Monday evenings, contact Geraldine on 071 9853321: Sandy on 087 6664108 or come along to the first session.

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