



KILLEEN & LOUISBURGH NEWSLETTER

28 December 2025 The Holy Family
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Sunday 28 December Killeen 10.00 a.m.
Martin Needham, 8th anniversary.

Sunday 28 December Louisburgh 11.30 a.m.
Mary Kate and Matthew Sammin & his sister Kate, Askelane.
Michael Warde.
Walter walsh.
Pakie and Kathleen O Malley & their daughter, Mary Ann.
Teresa Bown, nee Cox, 6th anniversary.
Paddy McConnell, 8th anniversary, his wife, Triona, son, Michael and deceased family.
Tom and Nora Walsh, Main Street.

Monday	December 29	No Mass
Tuesday	December 30	No Mass
Wednesday	December 31	No Mass
Thursday	January 01	No Mass
Friday	January 02	10.00 a m

Liturgical Ministers in Killeen January
Reader : Eileen O Malley
Eucharistic: Michael Joe O Malley
Liturgical Ministers in Louisburgh January 04
Reader: Helen Fahy
Eucharistic: Ann Billington,
Margaret O Malley, Roonagh

R.I.P. Breda Lyons, wife of the late Noel Lyons formerly of Accony. Reposing in Sweeneys Funeral Home on Monday 29 December from 12 noon with removal at 1.00 p.m. to Killeen Cemetery for burial.

Adoration, in Killeen Church: Monday evenings, 7.00 p.m. to 8.00 p.m.

Sick calls

If anyone would like Fr. Nelson to attend the sick at their home, for confession and holy communion, phone the parish office on 098 66198.

Killeen Eucharistic Ministers and Readers 2026 and are displayed on Church notice board.

St. Vincent de Paul: For assistance, please contact 087 921 0885 in confidence.

Sunday 04 January 10.00 a.m.
Mike McNamara, Kinnadoohy and deceased family members.

Sunday 04 January 11.30 a.m.
Nora and Peter Foy, Kilgeever & deceased of the Foy family.
Peter O Grady, Glen Keen, 11th anniversary.
Robert Powers, U.S.A. 10th anniversary.

Priest's Christmas Collection This is one of four priests' collections during the year. The weekly collection is used exclusively for the upkeep of parish property and the running expenses of the parish.

Cheques for this collection should be made out to 'Louisburgh Priests Acc.'

Thanks to all who contribute so generously to all church collections throughout the year.

First Friday, January 2nd, 2026, join us for a time of quiet prayer and reflection before the Blessed Sacrament in the Church. Adoration will begin immediately following the 10 am Mass and conclude at 11.30 am. All are welcome to spend some sacred time with our Eucharistic Lord.

Killeen Community Council are holding a fundraiser Bingo in Louisburgh Town Hall, this Sunday night 28 December for 4 year old Ava. Ava is daughter of Kate Geraghty and grand daughter of Kitty and the late Padraic Geraghty, Kilsallagh. Raffle on the night, doors open at 7.30 p.m. and eyes down at 8.00 p.m.

Thank You: Parish Participation:
Christmas Liturgies, Killeen & Louisburgh:
Thanks to the many people who are actively participating in the Christmas Liturgies in the Parish and who helped prepare for them and prepare the churches.

Sincere thanks as well to the many who give of their time and talents to the Parish Administration, Parish Committees and Organisations, School Boards of Management and who serve parish needs in various liturgical ministries throughout the year. There is always room, and a huge welcome, for anybody who may wish to take up a ministry or engage in one of the parish committees.

Dates for 2026

Epiphany	06 January
Ash Wednesday	18 February
St. Patrick's Day	17 March
Holy Thursday	02 April
Good Friday	03 April
Easter Sunday	05 April
First Communion Killeen	16 May
First Communion Louisburgh	17 May
Corpus Christi	07 June
Mission Sunday	18 October
Advent	29 November

Parish Statistics

	2025	1975	1925
Baptism	18	38	76
Confirmation	47	None (126 in 1972)*	None (237 in 1923)*
Marriage	04	12	12
Funerals	21	28	42

The Feast of the Holy Family is a liturgical celebration in the Catholic Church in honour of Jesus of Nazareth, his mother, the Blessed Virgin Mary, and his foster father, Saint Joseph, as a family. We celebrate the Feast of the Holy Family on the last Sunday of the year which this year falls on 29 December. The primary purpose of this feast is to present the Holy Family as a model for Christian families. Today is the Feast of the Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph.

We are praying for all families today and invite you to use the following prayer resources and to pray for the intentions of families today.

A Child's Prayer for Parents and Family on the feast of Holy Family

O God, bless our home, our family, friends and neighbours; and give us thankful hearts for all your mercies. Amen.

Dear God, I am glad that you love daddy and mammy and me and everybody. I want to love You, too, and to grow up to be strong and good. Bless us today and keep us in your care. Dear Father in heaven, I thank you for Jesus who came to bring us your love, and to teach us to love one another; for Mary who carried your Son; for Joseph who protected them both in the Holy Family. Help our family to be made perfect in their example. Amen.

Eucharistic Healing Retreat with Fr. John Keane & Deacon Don Devanney at Fr. Peyton Centre, Attymass, Sunday 08 February 2026. Limited spots—booking required. Contact Nicola: 087 9622800.

New Year's Prayer

As the dawn breaks on a new year,
let us give thanks for all we hold dear:
our health,
our family
and our friends.
Let us release our grudges,
our anger
and our pains,
for these are nothing but binding chains.
Let us live each day in the most loving ways,
the God-conscious way.
Let us serve all who are in need,
regardless of race, colour or creed.
Let us keep God in our hearts
and to call on God's name each day.
Let us lead the world from darkness to light, from
falsehood to truth
and from wrong to right.
Let us remember
that we are all one,
embracing all,
discriminating against none.
May your year be filled with peace and love.
May God's blessings shower upon you
and bestow upon each of you
a bright,
healthy
and peaceful new year.

Wishing you every blessing and a very Happy New Year in 2026

Athbhliain faoi shéan is faoi mhaise duit;

Bonne Année;

Frohes neues jahr;

Szczesliwego Nowego Roku;

Feliz Ano Novo;

Feliz Ano Nuevo;

Buon anno;

Мирний новий рік

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