

# KILLEEN & LOUISBURGH NEWSLETTER

30 August 2020 Sunday 22 in Ordinary Time 098 66198 www.louisburghparish.ie



### Parish Finances - Return of Weekly Envelopes

There will be a basket at the entrance to both churches during Sunday Masses for weekly donations.

These may also be returned through the letterbox of the front door of the parochial house. (The house is always alarmed).

There is a facility for anybody who wishes to make a donation by card, once off or on an ongoing basis, on the new website. louisburghparish.ie Many thanks to all who have donated, and continue to donate, to the parish in what are very trying times financially for everyone.

Louisburgh Ladies GAA are holding a Clothes Recycling Drive on Saturday 05 September between 10.00 and 11.30 am at the GAA Grounds in Louisburgh. Please donate all your unwanted clothes, bed linen, towel, curtains, shoes, bags, belts and soft toys, no duvets or pillows will be accepted. Donations will also be accepted by any member of the club or on Wednesday or Friday evenings 6.00-7.00pm and on the morning of the collection on Saturday 05 September. Any further queries to 087 982 4259.

### **Grandparents Pilgrimage, Knock Shrine 2020**

The 2020 pilgrimage is on Sunday 13 September at the Shrine of Our Lady of Knock taking place virtually at 3.00 p.m. at Knock Basilica. This year due to COVID-19 restrictions capacity will be very limited in the Basilica.

This annual pilgrimage is a special day for grandparents and for all of us to acknowledge the great contribution that grandparents make to Church, to family, and to society in teaching and passing on the faith.

The only purpose of the Catholic Grandparents Association is to help and support Grandparents in their great task. Grandparents were never as important as they are today at this critical time to the church, the family and society. We invite Grandparents and their families everywhere to join in praying for, and with, each other so that Grandparents everywhere can be honoured and thanked.

### **Corona Virus Safeguards in Church**

Attending Mass is now a very different experience from the past. Please exercise patience and have realistic expectations.

Only very limited numbers of people will be able to attend any given Mass due to physical distancing quidelines.

- There is no obligation on anybody to attend Sunday Mass.
- People over 70 years of age, and those with a health issue, are highly recommended not to attend places where numbers of people meet for any length of time, especially indoors.
- Absolute Maximum Capacity of either church is 50 People, (this includes priest, sacristan, musicians, ushers, etc), even with members from the same household sitting together.
- Physical Distancing: If you live in the same house please share the same seat, otherwise stay 2 metres apart, this means two people (one at each end) in a longer seat or one person only in a shorter seat.
- Eucharistic ministers will sanitise their hands • Church will open 30 minutes before Mass time. before and after giving out Holy Communion, as If necessary people will wait outside in a queue, they have done for many years in the parish. observing 2 metre physical distancing. They will now also wear masks.
- On entry, and exit, hands must be sanitised;
- •Your name and telephone number will be recorded in a contact tracing log-book - to your hand as flat and steady as possible facilitate tracing in the event of any person • Newsletters are available; please take them subsequently testing positive for corona virus. home with you when leaving the church and do The records will be destroyed 14 days after the not leave them in your seat. Mass and are only for the purpose of tracing.
- Once outside the church people will be asked to • You will be directed to a seat by a steward; go immediately to their cars / walk home and please remain in that seat during Mass; not gather outside.

# Mass

Louisburgh Church webcam https://louisburghparish.ie/louisburgh-webcam

**Killen Church webcam** 

https://louisburghparish.ie/killeen-webcam

Sunday, 30 August Louisburgh 11.30 a.m. Liturgy of the Word with Holy Communion.

### Monday 31 August

Louisburgh 11.00 a.m.

# Funeral Mass, Chris McDermott.

In keeping with HSE guidelines, the Mass will be private to family only.

The Mass will be streamed live. on https://louisburghparish.ie/louisburgh-webcam/

R.I.P. Pray for: Noreen Noone, nee Jordan, Feenone who died recently.

Due to Fr Long being on annual holidays there will not be Mass this coming week. On Sunday 30 August there will be a lay led Liturgy of the Word with Holy Communion in Louisburgh Church at 11.30 a.m. Masses can be accessed on *Webcams* available on these websites: www.churchservices.tv www.mcnmedia.tv

#### **Church Opening Times**

The Churches will continue to open daily for private prayer until 7.00 p.m.

#### Lighting Candles in Church – Fire Safety

An electronic votive candle shrine has now been installed in Louisburgh church to accommodate those who wish to 'light a candle'. Please use the hand sanitiser before you use it or the one in Killeen church.

Newsletter by e-mail: To receive the newsletter in this way e-mail louisburghparish@icloud.com and enter Newsletter as the subject.

Parish Facebook Page: is available on www.facebook.com/kilgeever.parish.77

Parish Website: louisburghparish.ie

- Movement inside the church is to be limited as much as possible.
- Children are welcome, but parents please note that young children must be kept with you in your seat at all times and cannot be let wander.
- The church will be filled row by row, from the top down.
- Once the church is full to the allowed numbers people may wait outside, observing physical distancing. There are loudspeakers outside the main doors of both churches. If people wish to wait in their cars they can follow the Mass via the parish website on a smartphone.
- Wear a face covering while at Mass. Your mask protects the health and lives of others.
- The gallery will only be available to a musician and at most two or three singers.
- There will be a basket at the porch for the weekly collection envelopes.
- In so far as possible doors and windows will be open to allow for maximum ventilation during Mass.
- Holy Communion will be distributed at the end of Mass, after which people will exit the church. People outside will then be invited to come into the church for Holy Communion.
- Holy Communion will be given only into your hand; please extend your arm fully and hold