



KILLEEN & LOUISBURGH NEWSLETTER

30 May 2021 Holy Trinity
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Corona Virus Restrictions:

Please read the instructions at the entrances to our churches. Up to 50 people will be allowed at Mass, Funerals and Weddings in Church. This number is dependent on the necessary social distancing being observed. Restrictions still apply to events before and after church weddings and funerals.

Funerals: If attending the cemetery, or standing along the roadside to express sympathy, the wearing of a mask and keeping a minimum of 2 metres physical distancing is vital.

Live Streaming of Masses on webcams

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Sunday	30 May	
Killeen		10.00 a.m.
Patrick Burke, Glenamaddy, 2 nd anniversary. James Burke, sister-in-law, Josephine, Birmingham, his parents, James & Bridget & his aunt Annie Mary, formerly of Feenone & deceased family. Patrick and Bridget Davitt & deceased family.		
Louisburgh		11.30 a.m.
Johnny Duffy, Bridge Street, 18 th anniversary. Mary Duffy, Chapel Street, 20 th anniversary.		
Monday	31 May	10.00 a.m.
Patrick and Kathleen Kitterick.		
Tuesday	01 June	10.00 a.m.
Wednesday	02 June	10.00 a.m.
Thursday	03 June	10.00 a.m.
Friday	04 June	10.00 a.m.
Sunday	06 June	
Killeen		10.00 a.m.
Mary Egan, 15 th anniversary.		
Louisburgh		11.30 a.m.
Chris O Grady, Tully, 14 th anniversary. Annie and Willie Heaney. Jerry Houlihan, 9 th anniversary.		

R.I.P. Pray for Liam Mannion, Limerick, who died recently. Brother of the late Fr. Tommie Mannion
St. Vincent de Paul: If in need of our assistance, please contact 087 921 0885 in confidence.

Trócaire: Sincere thanks to all who made donations. A total of €7,855.00 has been donated towards this year's Trócaire collection.

Church Opening Times:

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

Monthly Calls:

If anybody wishes Fr Long to visit, or to receive Holy Communion or the sacrament of the sick, please phone 66198. Family members may be appointed as special Eucharistic Ministers to bring Holy Communion to an elderly or ill family member.

Parish Finances - Return of Weekly Envelopes

With Sunday Masses being opened to the public there will be a basket at the porch of each church for the weekly collection envelopes.

These may also be returned through the letterbox in the front door of the parochial house.

There is a facility for anybody who wishes to make a donation by credit / debit card, once off or on an ongoing basis, on the parish website www.louisburghparish.ie

Many thanks to all who have donated, and continue to donate, in this difficult time.

COVID-19 Support Line for Older People ALONE manage a national support line for older people. It is open seven days a week, 8.00 am – 8.00 pm, 0818 222 024.

Louisburgh-Killeen Heritage iCAN Project, "Daoine agus Áit, People & Place, Celebrating our Community".

We are asking all members of the community to get involved by submitting a photograph that shows what Louisburgh & Killeen means to YOU. Just email your photo along with your name to lkheritage@gmail.com

All photos received will be included in an online exhibition as part of Heritage week in August 2021.

One photograph will also be selected for our Community Postcard. More details on this exciting project to follow... Get snapping! Closing date is 31 May 2021.

Killeen Community Council:

Annual General Meeting, Thursday 10 June at 8.00 p.m. in the Killeen Community Centre.

"Everyday God" exploring spirituality in daily life

Louisburgh's 'Everyday God' Spirituality Group was established in January 2018 by Pauline Graham of the Louisburgh Music School who had completed a two-year diploma in Spiritual Direction.

Pauline felt there was a need in the area for a group like this. Her dream was to cater for people who were not part of an institutional church, who wanted to connect on a deeper level, and were thirsting for a new approach to gathering and praying. It was also intended to appeal to people who were already part of Church but wanted to reach out to others outside of their familiar religious practices.

The intention was, and remains, to provide a space where people of different beliefs and diverse faith traditions meet in a spirit of love and kindness, for prayer and meditation. Members of the group strive for tolerance and patience with each other, and there is no effort made to convert anyone to a belief held by others; instead, what is highlighted is what each person has to offer, what can be nurtured in each other, and, most of all, what is held in common.

Recalling the words of Thomas Merton, all are 'members of the human race, where the divine spark is made incarnate'.

Although it is not run as a parish activity it is very much supported and encouraged by the parish. Each meeting allows an opportunity for people to offer personal responses to a reflection or spiritual reading, which has been chosen in advance; this is done with respect and confidentiality. It is not about offering solutions or opinions; instead there is trust that each one sees the world from a different perspective. Alternative views prompt us to examine our own positions, in the silence of our hearts. If someone does not wish to speak, silent prayerful reflection can also be a powerful way of participating. Many people nowadays do not belong to a particular religion or Church but want to connect with the spiritual dimension of life. Are they to be marginalised because they do not want to participate in Sunday worship?

In current times and circumstances lay people are key in terms of reaching out to others.

Staying in 'comfort zones,' without experiencing anything different can lead to stagnation.

No one has to change their own beliefs or opinions in order to be able to interact with others, and indeed can ask 'what I can *learn* from others and what they can *teach* me?' The person offering the greatest challenge can be the greatest teacher.

Despite the pandemic, the group still manages to meet *online* once a month to engage in spiritual reflection and compassionate prayer. Prayer and meditation are practices, which all members of the group share.

It is heartening to see how the group continues to flourish and they have the prayerful good wishes of the parish in support.

Having established the group Pauline looks forward to seeing it develop and attract new members in the future.

email everydaygodlouisburgh@gmail.com or phone 098 66858 or for more info.

Safeguarding Children: If you have a child safeguarding/protection concern, please contact one of our Archdiocese of Tuam Designated Liaison Persons.

Ms Mary Trench 087 931 5823.

Fr Francis Mitchell 087 407 0206.

Year of Saint Joseph

*Joseph husband of Mary,
Father of Jesus on earth,
Protector and guardian.
Patron Saint of workers*

Prayer

Hail, Guardian of the Redeemer,
Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary.
To you God entrusted his only son;
In you Mary placed her trust;
With you Christ became man.

Blessed Joseph, to us too,
Show yourself a father
And guide us in the path of life.
Obtain for us grace, mercy and courage,
And defend us from evil.

Notices should be sent to the parochial house or emailed to louisburghparish@icloud.com no later than Thursday evening