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Sunday 09 January
Mass Killeen Church 10.00 a.m.
 Michael and Elizabeth Sammin.
Mass Louisburgh Church 11.30 a.m.
 John and Molly Gallagher, Caher.
 Theresa Dyra.
 Charlie Prendergast.
 Martina Duffy, Roonagh, 14th anniversary.

Killeen Church
Monday 10 January 12.00 p.m.
Funeral Mass; John Joe Kitterick, Ballinasloe & Aillemore. (brother of Thady Kitterick and Mary Walsh)

Louisburgh Church
 Tuesday 11 January 10.00 a.m.
 Jarlath McHale, Emlagh, 4th anniversary.
Wednesday 12 Jan 10.00 a.m.
Funeral Mass; Michael Wall, Burial of Ashes
 (nephew of Michael Gallagher)
 Thursday 13 Jan 10.00 a.m.
 Friday 14 Jan 10.00 a.m.

Sunday 16 January
Mass Killeen Church 10.00 a.m.
Mass Louisburgh Church 11.30 a.m.
 Jimmy Duffy, Falduff, 1st Anniversary.
 Sarah and Michael Scanlon & deceased family.

R.I.P. Pray for those who died recently;
 Mike McNamara, Kinnadoohy.
 John Joe Kitterick, Ballinasloe & Aillemore
 Michael Wall.

Holy Communion for those with Coeliac disease
 If those with coeliac disease wish to receive Holy Communion under the form of wine, they should inform the priest, or ask one of the stewards to do so, before Mass.

Church Opening Time. The Churches will continue to open daily until 5.00 p.m.

Prevention of COVID 19

Anybody with any covid, flu-like, or cold-like symptoms, cough, sneezing, runny nose, sore throat, temperature, lack of smell etc. should not attend church but should isolate and phone their G.P. for advice and seek a PCR test.

You must isolate while awaiting PCR test results. It is absolutely essential that everyone attending Mass or services in church must wear a mask covering nose & mouth at all times. Not to do so disrespects the health and life of all others in church.

Please use the hand sanitisers on entry to the church.

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

Corona Virus : Protecting all in Society

"Why are the seats in our church still roped off but in some other churches they aren't"?

Perhaps this is the wrong question asked of the wrong people; the questions should be asked elsewhere 'why are you not adhering to current guidelines about physical distancing.' And 'what are you doing to safeguard the congregation'?

The matter was clarified again in a recent email from the Taoiseach's office to all dioceses.

"For clarity following the updated Covid guidance, Religious Services in Places of Worship are unchanged regarding capacity, with all other protective measures in place to ensure safety of the congregation".

One of these protective measures is the 2 metres physical distancing between people, or between a group of people that live in the same house and others. It is this distancing that imposes limits on the number of people in church.

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

Ventilation of Churches:

In order to reduce the risk of spreading the corona virus, an airborne virus, the churches are ventilated as best we can when congregations are present. To facilitate airflow windows and doors are open when possible. As a result it is difficult to heat the churches as we would like at this time of year but perhaps better to be a little cold than very sick with covid.

Please, do not close doors if they are open when you enter the church.

Monthly Calls:

The monthly calls to the sick and housebound by Fr Long were suspended due to the corona virus pandemic.

With the present high number of infections nationwide and locally it is still safer for all not to make multiple house-calls in a short timeframe. However, if anybody wishes Fr Long to visit, or to receive Holy Communion or the sacrament of the sick, please phone 66198 and arrangements will be made for an individual visit, taking all advised precautions.

Family members may be appointed as special Eucharistic Ministers to bring Holy Communion to an elderly or ill family member.

Saving the planet:

As part of their project to establish energy usage, Louisburgh and Killeen Sustainable Energy Community are seeking to prepare a register of all houses in the parish that have obtained Building Energy Rating certificates (BER). Our Decarbonizing Zone Group are undertaking the task of aiming to reduce our carbon emissions by 50% by 2030.

Any person willing to assist in this project by giving details of their BER is asked to contact Jim Campbell at 087 284 7695.

Your information will remain private and will be used to create future projects whereby energy usage may be lowered in households.



New Archbishop of Tuam

This Sunday, Francis Duffy will be installed as Archbishop of Tuam in the Cathedral of the Assumption, Tuam, during the celebration of Mass at 2.30 pm.

The ceremony can be viewed at

<https://www.tuamparish.com/web-cam>

A native of Co. Cavan, Bishop Duffy has served as Bishop of Ardagh and Clonmacnoise since 2012.

Kilgeever Parish welcomes Archbishop Duffy to his new role at what is a critical time for the church in our diocese.

We face many challenges and we will only confront them successfully when we all adopt the 'synodal' way as promoted by Pope Francis, with all members of the church being heard, then discerning the way forward and acting together.

We welcome our new Archbishop and pray every blessing on Archbishop Duffy in his ministry in leading us forward together to promote the Good News of Jesus Christ.

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.