



# KILLEEN & LOUISBURGH NEWSLETTER

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Sunday 1 of Lent  
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<b>Sunday</b>	<b>06 March</b>	
<b>Mass Killeen Church</b>		<b>10.00 a.m.</b>
Bridget Tiernan, Cregganbawn, 20 <sup>th</sup> anniversary		
<b>Mass Louisburgh Church</b>		<b>11.30 a.m.</b>
Willie O Malley, Askelane and deceased family. Kitty Bradley 4 <sup>th</sup> anniversary and her husband Jim, 27 <sup>th</sup> anniversary. Caroline Ferrie and her son Michael, Glasgow. Peter and Mary Kilcoyne, Cregganacopple. Alan Durkan, 9 <sup>th</sup> anniversary.		
Monday	07 March	10.00 a.m.
Tuesday	08 March	10.00 a.m.
John Duffy, Bridge Street.		
Wednesday	09 March	10.00 a.m.
Thursday	10 March	10.00 a.m.
Friday	11 March	10.00 a.m.
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>13 March</b>	
<b>Mass Killeen Church</b>		<b>10.00 a.m.</b>
<b>Mass Louisburgh Church</b>		<b>11.30 a.m.</b>
Clementine Lyons, 19 <sup>th</sup> anniversary and her husband Austin, 21 <sup>st</sup> anniversary. Assumpta Kilcoyne, Shranacloye. Thomas Gibbons		

### Liturgical Ministries

#### Louisburgh Sunday 13 March

Eucharistic: Catherine MacLeod,  
Maureen Kilcoyne.

Reader: Breda McGinn.

#### Killeen Sunday 13 March

Reader: Gerard Burke

#### R.I.P. Please pray for:

Mary Ellen O Malley, wife of the late Tom O Malley, Doughmakeon and Chicago.

Donncha O Rourke, London, husband of Jacqueline Durkan, formerly Bridge Street. Funeral arrangements to be announced later.

#### Holy Communion for those with Coeliac disease

If 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.

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

### Prevention of COVID 19;

While restrictions have been lifted the virus is still being transmitted at high levels in community and we must all do what we can to prevent those who are vulnerable getting infected and potentially becoming very ill.

- Everyone attending Mass or services in church is urged to wear a mask covering nose & mouth at all times. Please use the hand sanitisers on entry to the church.
- We will not, as of yet, resume the use of the holy water fonts and will still omit the sign of peace at Mass, as well as the reception of Holy Communion under both species. Holy Communion will still only be given into the hand.
- 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 phone their G.P. for advice.
- 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.
- Thanks to all for continuing to wear masks and protect those of us who are vulnerable due to age, illness, or compromised immune systems.

### Killeen Community Council:

A 12 hour gardening course will commence on Wednesday 09 March in the Killeen Community Centre at 7.30pm for 6 weeks. Limited spaces available and booking essential. Course fee €35. Supported by the MSL Education and Training Board. Enquiries to [killeencc@gmail.com](mailto:killeencc@gmail.com) or 087 682 6025

### Louisburgh Horse Show Society

- **AGM:** Monday 07 March at 9.00 p.m. in the Parochial Hall, Louisburgh. All are welcome.
- **A cake sale** in aid of the Horse Show will take place on St. Patrick's Day in the Parochial Hall, immediately after the parade and will include live music in the spirit of the day. Calling all Mary Berry fans ...start Baking ...Cakes, Muffins, Tarts! Please support this fundraiser for our Horse Show on Sunday 17 July.

### Trócaire – Lent

Trócaire is the overseas development agency of our Catholic Church here in Ireland.

Thanks to all for the support you give to Trócaire's work each year. Your donations reach thousands of vulnerable communities and families all over the world. This help is critical, and it allows Trócaire to continue this work every year.

Trócaire has joined with seven leading humanitarian agencies, "The Irish Emergency Alliance (IEA)" in issuing an appeal in response to the catastrophic humanitarian crisis in Ukraine.

The most effective way to provide support to the people of Ukraine is to donate money to humanitarian agencies, like Trócaire, that are working on the ground in Ukraine and Poland.

Trócaire is working with Caritas Ukraine and Caritas Poland, who are supporting people both within Ukraine and people who have managed to cross the border. They are providing shelter and essential supplies, including food, blankets, and hygiene supplies.

However, Trócaire has appealed that we do not forget the many millions of people who are already facing similar crises around the world and who risk being left with no support as the world focuses on Ukraine.

Millions of people in countries such as South Sudan, Somalia, and the Democratic Republic of Congo are displaced by conflict and some are facing famine. Trócaire's Lenten campaign supports people living through these forgotten crises. Trócaire also has a separate and specific appeal for Ukraine.

We highly recommend that members of the public express their kindness and compassion to people fleeing conflict everywhere by making their donations to Trócaire's Ukraine appeal, or to other humanitarian agencies that are also working in Ukraine and Poland, in addition to their donations to Trócaire's Lenten appeal.

The generosity of the people of Ireland is deeply appreciated. Every cent and euro donated to Trócaire will be used to support people who are facing a deep crisis and to ensure no one is forgotten.

**Please bring home a Trócaire box and use your Lenten sacrifice to help others.**

### Preparation for First Eucharist

**Grow in Love:** Next Saturday, 12 March, we continue with our Masses for the children who are preparing for First Holy Communion. They and their families are invited to attend. Other members of the community are also welcome.

This is the third in the series of these Masses that started in January.

This time the Mass in Killeen is at 10.30 a.m. and in Louisburgh at 5.30 p.m.

The focus will be on Reconciliation as the children prepare to receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation for the first time at the end of this month. We will focus on God's love for us as shown in the life of Jesus and God's willingness to welcome back and forgive the sinner.

### First Confessions,

Killeen Church, Wednesday, 30 March, 7.30 pm.

Louisburgh Church, Thursday, 31 March, 7.30 pm

**Bereavement Support:** Wednesday, 11.00 am in the Family Centre at Knock Shrine. These meetings aim to help those who are grieving to find healing, hope and comfort. All are welcome.

Details from Monica Morley on 094 937 5320.

**Mayo Cancer Support** offers a range of emotional support to people with cancer and their families. Call 094 903 8407 for information.

### Synod Consultations [synod.ie](http://synod.ie)

When consultations are launched there is always some hesitation. "We've been here before", "Nothing but a talking shop". A further concern is that people with the same views gather amongst themselves, that only the most vocal are heard, and at the end we have another carefully crafted document to sit on the shelf.

We cannot allow that. Why? Because we, all members of church, are the People of God. If it doesn't feel that way at present in the Irish Church, then we might need to rediscover the joy of being the People of God.

That is a journey worth undertaking. Indeed, it is the synodal journey we are starting out on. Knowing that Christ is our model for inviting people to be part of his community, church, the task before us now is one of creativity.

We need to extend invitations not only to the large following within the Church but also to those who find themselves on the margins to share their views about church for the future.