



KILLEEN & LOUISBURGH NEWSLETTER

19 March 2023 Sunday 04 of Lent
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Killeen Church

Sunday 19 March 10.00 a.m.
James O Grady and his son John, Cregganbawn.
Thomas O Grady, Six Noggins.
Vera McGreal.
Ann and Michael Moran.

Louisburgh

Sunday 19 March 11.30 a.m.
Michael Meenagan, 20th anniversary.
Noreen O Grady.
Beatrice, Claire and Philip Pomerleau.

Monday 20 March No Mass
Tuesday 21 March 10.00 a.m.
Wednesday 22 March 10.00 a.m.
Thursday 23 March 10.00 a.m.
Friday 24 March 10.00 a.m.

Killeen Church

Sunday 26 March 10.00 a.m.
Paddy Frazer, Month's Mind.

Louisburgh

Sunday 26 March 11.30 a.m.
John Tiernan, 1st anniversary.
Jimmy McNeill, 5th anniversary and deceased of the McNeill & Foy families.
Bea Fergus, Cahir.
Tom and Ena Toolin, Cahir & Dublin 10th and 29th anniversaries. John Ruane, Mooneen.

Liturgical Ministries

Killeen, Sunday, March
Eucharistic: Martina Fadden
Reader: Martin Jennings

Liturgical Ministries

Louisburgh, Sunday 26 March
Eucharistic: John Joe Gibbons, Catherine MacLeod
Reader: Willie Moran.

R.I.P. Please pray for Brian Gallagher who has died in the U.K. brother of Nora Kitterick.

Grow In Love: The children preparing for their first Holy Communion and First celebration of the Sacrament of Reconciliation will participate in our Masses this Sunday 19 March. We welcome them and their families.

Eucharistic Ministers and Readers lists have been sent out by email and are also displayed on Church notice board.

Holy Communion for those with Coeliac disease; please inform the priest before Mass if you wish to receive Holy Communion in the form of bread with minimal, practically no, gluten content, or under the form of wine.

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

Tuam Diocesan Pilgrimage to Knock, led by Archbishop Francis Duffy, will take place on Sunday, 07 May, 2023. Ceremonies commence at 2.30 p.m. with the sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick.

Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes, led by Archbishop Francis Duffy, from Ireland West (Knock) Airport, 5 nights, Friday 01 September to Wednesday, 06 September. For details and booking, please contact 01 241 0800.

Louisburgh Choir Practice takes place on Monday evenings at 6.30 p.m. in St Patrick's Church. All children from 1st to 4th class and their parents are invited to take part. New members are very welcome.

Killeen Choir practice takes place on Wednesday evenings at 6.30 p.m. New members are welcome.

Motor Neurone Disease Fundraiser, Drink Tea for MND. This Sunday 19 March, in aid of IMNDA on the Square in Louisburgh after Mass, from about 12 noon. All are welcome. Your support will be much appreciated.

Bereavement Course; 'Understanding grief, a journey towards healing' will be held over four weeks in St John's Welcome Centre, Knock on 05, 12, 19 & 26 April beginning each evening at 8.00pm. It will be presented by Monica Morley. Admission is free but booking is essential on 094 937 5320.

Mother's Day:

Best wishes and a happy Mother's Day to all mothers on this day.

Covid / Transmissible Viruses

"How a society treats its most vulnerable is always the measure of its humanity."

We could adapt this quote and say

"How a church treats its most vulnerable is always the measure of its Christianity."

For the present we will continue to make facemasks available at the doors of our churches for all who wish to wear them; many do so because of an underlying medical condition or because of a compromised immune system, or out of care and respect for those in our community who may have such conditions.

Hand Sanitiser is available at the entrances to the churches and all are requested to use it.

Although the incidence of covid is greatly reduced it still remains a serious threat to those who are vulnerable. As of Saturday 18/03/2023 there are 227 people in hospital with covid in the state. In the week ending 14 March there were 11 deaths related to covid.

For the moment all are requested to continue to receive Holy Communion in the hand and so avoid any possible risk of salvia, and possibly a virus, being passed on to another person on the fingers of the Eucharistic Minister.

Our Eucharistic Ministers have been sanitising their hands before and after distributing Holy Communion for many years and will continue with this practice.

Climate Action Louisburgh Locality (CALL)

CALL are honoured to receive the Cathaoirleach's Green Community of the Year Award. The first 11 houses/public buildings on our PV Meitheal have now been completed. 230 solar panels have been installed. A total of approximately 90 kiloWatts of electrical power generation is now available for free local production, thereby reducing our dependence on very expensive outside sources.

Our local contractors have been working skilfully and cost effectively and are ready to begin our next stage. A number of projects have already been identified but we are still taking names for this (Spring) Meitheal.

If you wish to receive a quotation for an installation please contact Jim Campbell at 087 284 7695.

Trócaire: Please take home a Trócaire Box and continue to make your Lenten sacrifices work for Justice.

Social justice

'Social justice is about making society function better – providing the support and tools to help turn lives around.'

Trócaire's work is guided by Catholic Social Teaching, which recognises the inherent dignity, worth and human rights of all people, as well as the importance of acting in solidarity with each other and in caring for our shared environment. To work towards social justice, Trócaire offers support regardless of race, gender, religion or politics.

It works to address the structural causes of poverty, and the unjust global financial and political systems that hold the poorest people back.

Trócaire also gives people in poor communities the skills and means to change their own lives, stand up to those in power, and demand their rights.

Therefore, social justice relates to work locally, nationally and internationally, where, 'the inter-relatedness of the local and the global requires that issues be addressed at different levels to ensure appropriate solutions are identified and implemented'.

Climate justice

In recent years, Trócaire has focused on 'climate injustice' and working for 'climate justice', because climate change is more than an environmental issue, it is a justice issue.

Climate injustice refers to the fact that those who are being hit worst by climate change are the most vulnerable women, men and children in our world who have done the least to cause it.

Trócaire works with people in Africa, Asia and Latin America to support communities to adapt to changing climatic conditions.

In Ireland, we work locally to raise awareness in the minds of Irish citizens of the daily struggle to survive faced by these communities.

Achieving climate justice will not happen until wealthier nations recognise the injustice facing poorer nations.

Children's Corner for Lent – suggestions for the coming week -missio.ie

19 4 th Sunday of Lent Happy Mother's Day	20 Turn off the TV for an hour and have a chat with your family instead Can you	21 Make sure that you help to keep your room tidy Help with	22 Before you go to sleep say a prayer for the people who love you Help in	23 Say a prayer for the teachers in your school 	24 EASTER Don't forget to enter our Easter colouring competition! 	25 Make the world a better place...SMILE!
26 5 th Sunday of Lent	27	28	29	30		