



# KILLEEN & LOUISBURGH NEWSLETTER

14 May 2023 Sunday 6 of Easter  
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## Killeen Church

Sunday 14 May 10.00 a.m.  
Michael and Margaret Jennings & their sons,  
Michael & John Joe.  
Michael Corrigan, Shrawee, 29<sup>th</sup> anniversary  
Andy McGreal, his wife Mary Ann and their son,  
Doninic.

## Louisburgh

Sunday 14 May 11.30 a.m.  
First Holy Communion

Monday 15 May No Mass

Tuesday 16 May 12.00 p.m.

## Funeral Mass; Mary Murphy, Killeen Church

Wednesday 17 May 10.00 a.m.  
Thursday 18 May 10.00 a.m.  
Friday 19 May No Mass

## Killeen Church

Sunday 21 May 10.00 a.m.  
Paddy & Kathleen Armstrong, Althore, their son  
Tom.  
Nancy and Joe Gavin, Woodfield, 24<sup>th</sup> & 17<sup>th</sup>  
anniversaries.

## Louisburgh

Sunday 21 May 11.30 a.m.  
Vera Scanlon, 1<sup>st</sup> anniversary.

Mary Duffy.  
Austin Gill.  
Sr Therese O Toole, 23<sup>rd</sup> anniversary and  
deceased of the O Toole family, Chapel Street.  
Maura O Higgins, 21<sup>st</sup> anniversary and her  
husband, Sean, Bridge Street.

## Liturgical Ministries

Killeen: May  
Eucharistic: Margaret Donnelly.  
Reader: Margaret Donnelly

## Liturgical Ministries

Louisburgh: Sunday 21 May  
Eucharistic: Breege McCormack, Ann O Reilly.  
Reader: Maura Kerrigan

R.I.P. Pray for Mary Murphy, Devlin

**Trócaire Collection:** Thanks to all who have  
already made a donation. To date Kilgeever  
Parish's Lenten Trócaire appeal has raised  
€7,977 Please return all Trócaire boxes and  
envelopes by next weekend as this year's Lenten  
appeal will be finalized next weekend.

**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.

**Cheques for Parish Accounts:** Cheques should be  
made out to either 'Louisburgh Parish' or  
'Louisburgh Priests', depending on the collection.  
Anyone who makes donations directly to the  
parish bank accounts is asked to use the Irish  
Permanent IBANs

*Louisburgh Parish Account:*

IBAN IE50 IPBS 9907 2931 4035 03

*Louisburgh Priest's Account:*

IBAN IE86 IPBS 9907 2931 4036 31

Donations can also be made at  
<https://louisburghparish.ie/donate>



by credit or debit card or by scanning  
the QR code opposite into a smart  
phone or tablet. Sincere thanks to all  
who continue to contribute so generously.

**Towards Healing:** 1800 303 416

Free and Confidential Helpline and Counselling  
Referral Service, funded by the Catholic Church,  
for survivors of institutional, clerical and religious  
abuse. The service is provided by lay,  
independent and fully accredited therapists. It  
provides helpline support and counselling.

**Parish Child Safeguarding Representative:**

Anne O Reilly, Laughta, 086 073 1565

**WebCams – Recording:** The cameras in both  
churches are set up only for live streaming.

There is no facility for recording events.  
However, most mobile phones, tablets and  
computers have the facility to record what is  
being watched on the screen if people wish to  
record certain events.

**Planning for the Future – Tuam Archdiocese**

In order to assist with, and inform, the drawing  
up of plans for the re-organisation and provision  
of priestly ministry to parishes Archbishop Duffy  
has requested that all churches in the diocese  
record the number of people attending Masses  
over a period of three consecutive weekends: 07,  
14 and 21 May. On these weekends there will be  
a person in the church porch with a 'clicker' to  
count the numbers attending.



## Foróige Community Garden

Official opening and blessing of  
the Louisburgh Foróige  
Community Garden at the Church  
carpark on Tuesday 23 May at  
7.00pm sharp followed by  
refreshments in the Hall.

We are inviting all our parish and community to  
come along and join us.

## Covid / Transmissible Viruses

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  
congregations 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.

For the moment the sign of peace will not be re-  
introduced at Mass. 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.



## Louisburgh Voices and Louisburgh Music School Summer Concert

Louisburgh Voices and  
Louisburgh Music School are presenting a  
Summer Concert in Louisburgh Hall on  
Wednesday, 31 May, at 7:30 p.m.

Joined by guest musicians Joe Forde, Michael  
Grealis, and Nikita Svechenets.

Proceeds of the concert will benefit a fund for  
renovating the Hall.

Tickets: €16 (Children under 15: €10) available  
from Gala, Louisburgh. Early booking advised.

**Funeral Ministry:** In preparation for a future  
where most parishes will not have a resident  
priest it is hoped that a team of 'funeral  
ministers' will be formed and trained in the  
parish in the immediate future.

Lay Funeral Ministers will lead prayers in the  
home of a deceased person, or in the funeral  
Home, for the removal of the deceased and also  
for the reception of the remains into the church.  
If necessary, they would also lead the prayers at  
the graveside.

Where a priest from outside of the parish is  
coming to celebrate a funeral Mass they would  
help a family plan the liturgy and co-ordinate  
between them and the priest involved.

Initially these ministers will accompany a priest  
and assist in leading the prayers at the removal  
and reception of remains and at the graveside.

**Louisburgh Killeen Senior Citizens Annual  
Outing to Knock;** Friday 19 May. Coach leaving  
the old Convent at 11.00 a.m. All welcome  
including family members. Please contact Teresa  
at 098 66460 or any committee member.

**Louisburgh Hospice A.G.M.** will take place on  
Thursday 25 May at 8.00 p.m. in the Parochial  
Hall. This year Louisburgh Support Group  
celebrates 30 years in existence. Everyone  
welcome to attend.

## My Communion Prayer

Dear God,

I know that You give me many gifts.  
The gift of Your Son, Jesus Christ,  
in Holy Communion is the greatest of all.  
How can I ever thank You  
enough for this special gift?

At Mass we are called to be like Jesus,  
by loving and serving one another in the world.

As I try to become more like him,  
please continue to help me.  
Show me the places and ways that  
I can bring your love, kindness, and peace  
to others....  
in my family,  
in my community,  
with my friends.

I ask this in Jesus' name. Amen.