



KILLEEN & LOUISBURGH NEWSLETTER

26 November 2023 Christ the King
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Killeen Church

Sunday 26 November 10.00 a.m.
Paddy Gavin, Glenamura, 5th anniversary and his wife, Anne.
Richard, Bridget and Joe Donnelly & family.
Margaret and Owen Kilcoyne, Shrawee.
Jimmy O Malley, Shrawee.
Noel O Malley, Aillemore & son John, U.K.
Frank and Johnny Frazer & deceased family members, Kinnadoohy.
Deceased members of the O Malley family, Gowlawn.

Louisburgh

Sunday 26 November 11.30 a.m.
Michael Mulvey, 1st anniversary.
Peter and Mary Kilcoyne, Cregganacopple.
Nora and Pat Kitterick, Cregganacopple.
Kathleen Kitterick, 3rd anniversary and her husband, Patrick.
Martin and Philip Kitterick & deceased family.
Thomas and Bridget Burke.
John Joe Morrison, Bridge St., 6th anniversary and deceased of the Morrison family.
Sr. Therese O Toole and deceased of the O Toole family.

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| Monday | 27 November | No Mass |
| Tuesday | 28 November | 10.00 a.m. |
| Wednesday | 29 November | 10.00 a.m. |
| Thursday | 30 November | 10.00 a.m. |
| Friday | 01 December | 10.00 a.m. |

Killeen Church

Sunday 03 December 10.00 a.m.
Michael and Nora Lyons, Martin Mannion, Killadoon and deceased of the Lyons & Mannion families: Nonie and Martin Keane & deceased family: Walter O Malley, Curradavitt & Blackburn Mary B. Frazer, Kinnadoohy & O Grady Family

Louisburgh

Sunday 03 December 11.30 a.m.
Breta O Malley, Month's Mind.
Michael Kilcoyne, Furmoyle, his parents, Sarah, 50th anniversary, John 40th anniversary and deceased family members.
Pa and Mary Duffy, Ballyhip.

R.I.P. : Please pray for Walter O' Malley, Curradavitt who has died in Blackburn

Liturgical Ministries Killeen: December

Eucharistic: Margaret Donnelly

Reader: Martin Jennings

Liturgical Ministries Louisburgh

Sunday 03 December

Eucharistic: Agnes Cox, Mary B Durkan

Reader: Anna McGroddy

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

Holy Communion: Coeliac Disease; If you are living with this disease please inform the priest before Mass if you wish to receive Holy Communion in the form of bread with minimal gluten content, or under the form of wine.

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

Rosary in Cemeteries: The Rosary will be recited in Kilgeever and Killeen cemeteries every Sunday at 3.00 p.m. during the month of November.

Pilgrimage to Fatima. Archdiocese of Tuam with Spiritual Director; 09 to 16 May 2024; 7 nights; ex Dublin; discount for early bookings during November. Contact 01 241 0800.

"Cillíní of Louisburgh: Traditional Practices and Archaeology" a presentation by Deirdre McGuirk in Books@One Friday 01 December at 7:30pm. Deirdre has researched and studied the children's burial grounds of Kilgeever Parish. All are welcome.

Killeen Community Centre Bingo Friday 01 December at 8.00 p.m. Everyone welcome.

Advance Notice: Christmas Masses:

With the 4th Sunday of Advent this year falling on 24 December, Christmas Eve, the following will be the schedule for Masses that Weekend.

Masses for the 4th Sunday of Advent

Louisburgh: Vigil Mass, on Saturday 23 Dec. at 6.00 p.m.

Killeen: Mass on Sunday, 24 Dec. at 10.00 a.m.

Christmas Masses

Christmas Eve, 6.00 p.m. Killeen
7.30 p.m. Louisburgh

Christmas Day, 10.00 a.m. Killeen
11.30 a.m. Louisburgh

Covid / Transmissible Viruses:

Covid remains a serious threat to the life and health of those who are vulnerable. All are asked to exercise caution out of respect to those who are vulnerable to this disease.

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

Facemasks are available at the doors of our churches for all who may wish to wear them; many do so in crowded settings because of an underlying medical condition or because of a compromised immune system.

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.

Communion under both species will not be generally offered for the present; if requested, arrangements will be made for those with Coeliac Disease.

ALONE: are looking for volunteers in Mayo for older people who need befriending for up to one hour per week and/or telephone support for up to 2 hours per week to combat loneliness and isolation. Contact Paul Stafford on 086 013 5043, or email paul.stafford@alone.ie

Blessing for Expectant Mothers

On Saturday 02 December, a blessing ceremony for all parents who are expecting a baby, will take place at Knock Shrine at 11.00am. It will include a short prayer for protection and safe delivery with an individual blessing for all mothers-to-be who are present. All welcome.

Louisburgh/Killeen Senior Citizens and Friday Club: Christmas party on Sunday 10 December in The Old Convent after 11.30 mass. If you would like to attend a very enjoyable afternoon, please give your name to any committee member or phone Teresa on 098 66460.

"Instances of racism continue to shame us, for they show that our supposed social progress is not as real or definitive as we think,"

Pope Francis, March 2021

Advent 2023: The season of Advent begins next Sunday, 03 December. It is the season when we prepare to celebrate the birth of Jesus.

We are all aware how the "Christmas / Holiday Season" has now been totally taken over by the commercial world. Rather than complain about this, why not concentrate on what the Christian meaning of Christmas is all about and bring the focus of Advent and Christmas back where it rightly belongs, to the birth of Jesus Christ, Emmanuel, God with us.

Waiting has always been the theme of Advent. Waiting for, and anticipating, and preparing for the birth of Jesus, has always been the purpose of Advent. The Advent Wreath has become a powerful reminder and symbol of our need to prepare, and of the shortness of time to do so. Perhaps this year consider having an Advent wreath in your own home as a reminder of what our Christian celebration of Christmas is all about.

November - A Litany of Remembrance

Rabbi Sylvan Kamens and Rabbi Jack Riemer

- In the rising of the sun and in its going down,
we remember them.
- In the blowing of the wind and the chill of winter,
we remember them.
- In the opening of buds and the rebirth of spring,
we remember them.
- In the blueness of sky and warmth of summer,
we remember them.
- In the rustling of leaves and beauty of autumn,
we remember them.
- In the beginning of the year and when it ends,
we remember them.
- When we are weary and in need of strength,
we remember them.
- When we are lost and sick at heart,
we remember them.
- When we have joys we yearn to share,
we remember them.
- So long as we live, they too shall live,
for they are now a part of us,
as we remember them.