



**Killeen Church**

Sunday 10 December 10.00 a.m.  
Davy Gibbons, Cloonlaura, Month's Mind.  
Frank O Malley, Cross, 22<sup>nd</sup> anniversary.  
Paddy Kneafsey and deceased family members.  
James Martin O Malley, Feenone, 7<sup>th</sup>  
anniversary, also, John Joe, Noel, Mary Margaret,  
Nora & deceased family.

**Louisburgh**

Sunday 10 December 11.30 a.m.  
Patrick and Mary Mulchrone.  
Michael and Bridget Kelly, Furmoyle.  
Catherine and James Healy, Falduff.  
Peter Moran, Falduff. John Thomas and Katie

<i>Monday</i>	<i>11 December</i>	<i>No Mass</i>
Tuesday	12 December	10.00 a.m.
Wednesday	13 December	10.00 a.m.
Thursday	14 December	10.00 a.m.
Friday	15 December	10.00 a.m.

**Killeen Church**

Sunday 17 December 10.00 a.m.  
James O Malley, 7<sup>th</sup> anniversary.

**Louisburgh**

Sunday 17 December 11.30 a.m.  
John Carty, Falduff, 3<sup>rd</sup> anniversary.  
Terry McCarty, New York.  
Annie and Willie Mayberry.  
John and Kathleen O Malley, Cahir and deceased  
family members.  
John and Evelyn Prendergast.  
Martin and Mary O Grady & their son, Martin,  
Kilgeever.

Anthony Kilcoyne, Tooreen

**Liturgical Ministries Killeen:** December

Eucharistic: Margaret Donnelly

Reader: Martin Jennings

**Liturgical Ministries Louisburgh**

Sunday 17 December

Eucharistic: Anna McGroddy, Eileen Maxwell

Reader: Maria Hastings

**R.I.P.** Please pray for the repose of the soul of  
Christy O Malley, Curramalley

**Christmas Masses:**

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

**Masses for the 4<sup>th</sup> 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

**Louisburgh Christmas Choir:**

Practice will be on Mondays at   
7.00 p.m. in the church. New  
members and those who would like to join for  
the Christmas would be especially welcome.

**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.

**Pilgrimage to Fatima. Archdiocese of Tuam** with  
Spiritual Director; 09 to 16 May 2024; 7 nights;  
ex Dublin.

**Louisburgh Foroige Talent Show:** this Tuesday,  
12 December from 8.00 p.m. to 9.30 p.m. in  
Louisburgh Town Hall. Raffle with Spot Prizes on  
the night.

Please come along and show your support for  
our youth of the Parish

A night of fun and laughter guaranteed! All  
welcome.

**Light up Killeen:** Wednesday 13 December at  
6.00 p.m., with Christmas carols, followed by a  
children's Tractor Run. (Tricks, Bikes, Scooters,  
Go- Karts and Tractors) Hope to see you there!

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

**Donations to the Parish**

Parish Account:

IBAN IE50 IPBS 9907 2931 4035 03

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.

Cheques should be made out to  
either 'Louisburgh Parish' or 'Louisburgh Priests',  
depending on the collection.

Sincere thanks to all who continue to contribute  
so generously to all collections.

**Covid / Flu / RSV / Transmissible Viruses:**

Covid and other viruses remain 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.

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, or they may be  
caring for such a person at home.

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.

**Killeen Community Centre:** Bingo every Friday  
night at 8.00 p.m. Everyone welcome

**Louisburgh/Killeen Senior Citizens and Friday  
Club: Christmas party** on this Sunday 10  
December in The Old Convent after 11.30 mass.

*It is Christmas every time you let God love  
others through you.*

Mother Teresa

**Advent Wreath:**

*Prayers on Lighting the Second  
Candle on your Home Advent Wreath  
during the second Week of Advent*  
Father, help us to prepare the way of  
Jesus, the Light of the world.



May we, who believe he will come again, always  
serve you.

Let us proclaim this mystery of faith: Christ has  
died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again. Amen

*Our Father ...*

*Hail Mary...*

*Glory be to the Father*

Lord God, let your blessing come upon us as we  
light the candles of this Advent wreath.

May the wreath and its light be a sign of Christ's  
promise to bring us salvation.

We ask this through Christ, our Lord. Amen.



**Blessing of Cribs and of the 'Baby Jesus' figure:**

There is a tradition in Rome, during Advent, of  
people bringing the figure of the baby Jesus from  
their crib at home to St. Peter's Square where  
the pope blesses both the people and the  
figures.

The figure of the baby Jesus is then brought  
home and carefully wrapped. It is the first of the  
presents to be opened at Christmas and is then  
placed in the crib and a family prays that God  
bless their crib and home.

Next weekend, the third Sunday of Advent, you  
are invited to bring a figure of the child Jesus  
from your crib at home, or a small crib if the  
figure cannot be removed from it.

The figures of the baby Jesus or a small crib can  
be left in the sanctuary before Mass and these  
statues will be blessed at the end of Mass.

It is one way in which to try and help us focus on  
the meaning of Christmas amid all the hustle and  
bustle we get caught up with during the "holiday  
season".