



**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 family  
John and Evelyn Prendergast.  
Martin and Mary O Grady & their son, Martin, Kilgeever.  
Anthony Kilcoyne, Tooreen.  
Bridget and Morgan O Connell.  
Michael Wall, 3<sup>rd</sup> Anniversary, Aitinaveen

Monday	18 December	No Mass
Tuesday	19 December	10.00 a.m.
Wednesday	20 December	10.00 a.m.
Thursday	21 December	10.00 a.m.
Friday	22 December	10.00 a.m.
Saturday	23 December	6.00 p.m.

*Vigil Mass 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Advent*  
Anthony O Malley, The Bridge.  
The Ball Family.  
Pat Joe Kirby.  
John Duffy, Bridge Street.

Sunday	24 December	10.00 a.m.
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*4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Advent*  
Michael and Anne Moran & deceased family.  
Declan Davitt, 6<sup>th</sup> anniversary

**Christmas Masses Killeen**

Sunday Christmas Eve 6.00 p.m.  
Monday Christmas Day 10.00 a.m.

**Christmas Masses Louisburgh**

Sunday Christmas Eve 7.30 p.m.  
Monday Christmas Day 11.30 a.m.

**Liturgical Ministries Killeen:** December  
Eucharistic: Margaret Donnelly  
Reader: Martin Jennings

**Liturgical Ministries Louisburgh**  
Eucharistic:  
Saturday 23 December 6.00 p.m.  
Breege McCormack, Úna Morrison-Power

**Liturgical Ministries Louisburgh**

**Eucharistic:**  
**Christmas Eve 7.30 p.m.**  
Helen Fahy, Ann O Reilly, Maureen Kilcoyne,  
John Joe Gibbons  
**Christmas Day 11.30 a.m.**  
Elaine Duffy, Margaret O Malley, Marion Moran,  
Mary B Durkan

**Reader:**  
**Saturday 23 December 6.00 p.m.** Ann O Reilly  
**Christmas Eve 7.30 p.m.** Agnes Cox  
**Christmas Day 11.30 a.m.** Willie Moran

**Sacrament of Reconciliation  
Parish Penitential Service:  
Louisburgh, Wednesday, 20 Dec. 7.30 p.m.**

There will be a celebration of God's love, mercy, and forgiveness through listening to and reflecting on some of the favourite **Christmas Carols**. Following this short reflection there will be a number of priests available for individual confession and absolution. Alternatively, you may wish to attend, reflect on the message of the Christmas Carols and express sorrow and repentance by doing so.



**Carol Services**

All parishioners are invited to attend.

- **Louisburgh Primary School** Pupils on Tuesday 19 December at 11.00 a.m. in Louisburgh Church.
- **Killeen Primary School** pupils on Tuesday 19 December at 6.30 p.m. in Killeen Church
- **Sancta Maria College** Students on Friday 22 December at 9.15 a.m. in Louisburgh Church

**Grow in Love;** Those preparing for the sacrament of first Eucharist, and their families, are most welcome at our Masses this Sunday, 17 December.

**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.

**Priest's Christmas Collection** This is one of four priests' collections during the year. The weekly collection is used exclusively for the upkeep of parish property and the running expenses of the parish.

Priest's Account:  
IBAN IE86 IPBS 9907 2931 4036 31  
Cheques for this collection should be made out to 'Louisburgh Priests Acc.'  
Thanks to all who contribute so generously to all church collections throughout the year.

**Louisburgh Christmas Choir:** Final Practice will be on Monday at 7.00 p.m. in the church. New members and those who would like to join for the Christmas would be especially welcome.



**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.

**Safety Notice**

**Christmas Masses - Galleries of Churches**

Please note that for the Christmas Masses most of the seats in the Galleries of both churches will be occupied by the choirs.

In the interests of safety please do not overcrowd the galleries or block stairways by standing if there are no seats available.

When all seats are occupied in the gallery please go to the body of the church where seats are usually available.

**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  
**Christmas Fair and Cake sale** in Lecanvey Hall, this Sunday at 12 Noon.

**Advent Wreath:**

*Prayers on Lighting the Third Candle on your Home Advent Wreath*  
Lord, we ask you to penetrate the darkness of our minds so that, filled with your brightness, we may rejoice in your coming as we say: Blessed be God forever. 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.

**Advent; the time to listen for footsteps,  
- you can't hear footsteps  
when you're running yourself.**

Bill McKibben