

# KILLEEN & LOUISBURGH NEWSLETTER

31 December 2023 Feast of the Holy Family 098 66198 www.louisburghparish.ie



### Killeen Church

31 December 10.00 a.m. Sunday Tommy Coyne, Killadoon.

Martin Needham, 6<sup>th</sup> anniversary

#### Saturday 06 January 10.00 a.m. The Epiphany

Pat and Mary Jennings, Aillemore

07 January 10.00 a.m. Sunday Michael and Elizabeth Sammin, Cross.

Mike McNamara, Kinnadoohy, 2<sup>nd</sup> anniversary & deceased of the McNamara & Keane families.

# **Louisburgh Church**

Sunday 31 December 11.30 a.m. Teresa Bowen, 4<sup>th</sup> anniversary.

Patrick and Kathleen O Malley & their daughter, Mary Ann.

Austin Kilcoyne, Shranacloye, 24th anniversary

Monday	01 January	10.00 a.m.				
Michael Ward	d, 3 <sup>rd</sup> anniversary.					
Tuesday	02 January	No Mass				
Wednesday	03 January	10.00 a.m.				
Thursday	04 January	10.00 a.m.				
Friday	05 January	10.00 a.m.				
Saturday	06 January	11.30 a.m.				
The Epiphany						
Sunday	07 January	11.30 a.m.				
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Peter O Grady, Glenkeen, 9<sup>th</sup> anniversary. Robert Powers, U.S.A., 8<sup>th</sup> anniversary.

**Liturgical Ministries** Killeen: January Eucharistic: Michael Joe O Malley

Reader: Eileen O Malley

**Liturgical Ministries** Louisburgh 06 January

**Eucharistic:** Helen Fahy, Jimmy Corrigan

07 January

**Eucharistic:** Teresa O Malley, John Joe Gibbons

Reader: Mairead Staunton

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.

Thanks to all who contribute so generously to all church collections throughout the year.

#### **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.

# **Cheques drawn on U.S. and Foreign Banks:**

Irish Financial Institutions will not accept U.S. Dollar cheques made out for smaller amounts.

U.S. Bank fees can be multiples of the actual worth of the cheque when they are returned to the U.S. for payment.

Thanks to all who contribute to our parish but we have to ask that cheques are made out in €uro and drawn from Irish Financial Institutions. Donations can also be made by debit/credit card through the facility on our website. www.louisburghparish.ie/donate

#### **Christmas Liturgies:**

Thanks to the many people who actively prepared for and participated in the Christmas Liturgies in the Parish.

Sincere thanks to the many who give of their time and talents to the Parish Administration Committees and Organisations and who serve parish needs in the various Ministries during the year.

There is always room, and a huge welcome, for anybody who may wish to take up a ministry or assist in one of the parish committees.

# **Kilgeever Parish Statistics**

	2023	1973	1923	
Baptism	29	21	79	
First	24	not	not	
Communion		recorded	recorded	
Confirmation	58 (Every 2 years)	0 (1972 - 126 Every 3 years)	0 (1922 - 237 Every 3 years)	
Marriage	3	4	17	
Funerals	28	28	42	

# 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 reintroduced 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.

#### Dates for 2024

Ash Madaasday	1 /	Fobruary.
Ash Wednesday	14	February
Easter Sunday	31	March
First Communion Louisburgh	12	May
First Communion Killeen	19	May
Corpus Christi	02	June
Mission Sunday	20	October
Advent	01	December

#### **New Year's Prayer**

As the dawn breaks on a new year, let us give thanks for all we hold dear: our health. our family and our friends. Let us release our grudges, our anger and our pains, for these are nothing but binding chains. Let us live each day in the most loving ways, the God-conscious way. Let us serve all who are in need, regardless of race, colour or creed. Let us keep God in our hearts and to call on God's name each day. Let us lead the world from darkness to light, from falsehood to truth and from wrong to right. Let us remember that we are all one, embracing all, discriminating against none. May your year be filled with peace and love. May God's blessings shower upon you and bestow upon each of you a bright, healthy and peaceful new year.

Wishing you every blessing a very Happy New Year in 2024

Athbhliain faoi shéan is faoi mhaise duit;

Bonne Année:

Frohes neues jahr;

Szczesliwego Nowego Roku;

Feliz Ano Novo;

Feliz Ano Nuevo;

Buon anno;

Мирний новий рік

Notices should be sent to the parochial house or emailed to louisburghparish@icloud.com no later than Thursday evening