

KILLEEN & LOUISBURGH NEWSLETTER

05 May 2024 Sunday 6 of Easter 098 66198 www.louisburghparish.ie



R.I.P. Please pray for Jim Browne, Killadoon: Bernie Gallagher, Cahir

Accord Catholic Marriage Care Service CLG seeking marriage preparation facilitators

ACCORD Catholic Marriage Care Service CLG is currently recruiting volunteers to train as marriage preparation programme facilitators.

- If you have a positive attitude towards marriage in the Catholic Church
- If you have the enthusiasm to be part of the Accord team in supporting couples who are preparing for the Sacrament of Marriage

Successful applicants will receive professional training and will be part of a team delivering marriage preparation programmes locally.

Contact Aisling on 01 505 3112 or by email to <u>marriagepreparation@accord.ie</u> Closing date for applications is Friday, 03 May 2024.

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 of us who are vulnerable.

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

<u>Facemasks</u> 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 <u>the sign of peace</u> will not be reintroduced at Mass.

All are requested to continue to receive <u>Holy</u> <u>Communion in the hand</u>, and so avoid any possible risk of saliva, and possibly a virus, being passed on to another person on the fingers of the Eucharistic Minister.

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

Revised Killeen Eucharistic Ministers and Readers lists are displayed on Church notice board. Copies are available in the Sacristy.

Funeral Ministry

The Christian community since the earliest times has accompanied bereaved people by providing a ritual framework within which a funeral takes place. The Tuam Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes led by Archbishop Francis, 6 nights, Friday 30 August to Thursday 05 September, ex Ireland West Airport. Details & Booking: 01 241 0800.

These rites are acts of public worship at which a number of elements are involved: God is praised; the Resurrection of Jesus is proclaimed conveying the hope of being gathered together again in God's kingdom; prayers are offered for the soul of the deceased person, their body is honoured and the bereaved are consoled.

Through these rituals, which express our faith in the Resurrection of Jesus, space is offered to the bereaved family to express grief and sorrow. They also provide an opportunity to celebrate the life and memory of the deceased person.

With changing circumstances in Church we need to look at how funerals are organised and celebrated.

We need to take into account the changing reality of Irish society today, including the ageing population and ever increasing decline in the number of priests.

We must look to the immediate future when lay people will be more centrally involved in carrying out this ministry in parishes. We must also acknowledge the relative distance of many people from parish life and religious practice in recent times.

With this in mind it is proposed to move ahead with the appointment of a number of lay ministers who will assist the priest at funerals, initially with the prayers for the removal of remains from a funeral home or the home of the deceased and with the prayers for the reception of the deceased into the church.

In the event of a priest not being available these ministers could lead these prayers on behalf of the community.

The first three members of this important ministry, Helen Fahy, Mary O Malley, and Elaine Duffy have agreed to take on this responsibility. To start one of them will, when possible, accompany the priest in leading the prayers at the removal of remains. It is hoped that others will join with them in the near future. **Augusta State State State** and are visiting or touring the Louisburgh / Killeen area on this holiday weekend. We are happy to greet all who have joined our Christian Community for the celebration of the Eucharist in St. Patrick's Church, Louisburgh and the Holy Family Church, Killeen.

The diocese is also planning to run a training We wish you a pleasant and relaxing time and safe travels.

Killeen Churcl	n		
Sunday	05 May		10.00 a.m.
Michael and B	ridget K	ilcoyne, Creg	ganbawn.
James and Bridget Grady, Feeone.			
Thomas and Annie Kilcoyne, Cregganbawn.			
Martin and Anne O Malley, Corragaun &			
deceased family members.			
Dominic McGrail, Andy and Mary Ann McGreal.			
Margaret Frazer, Barnabawn and deceased			
family.			
James and Mary Morrison, Killadoon, their son,			
Sean & deceased family members.			
Denis and Pau	line Lyo	ns.	
Sunday	12 May		10.00 a.m.
Mary Murphy	, Devlin.		
Seamus, John and P.J. Sammin, Cross.			
Paddy & Kathl	een Arm	strong, Alth	ore, their son
Tom.			
Michael Corrig	gan, Shra	awee, 30 th ar	niversary.
Louisburgh Ch	nurch		
Sunday	05 May		11.30 a.m.
Joe Needham, Dundalk and Louisburgh.			
Anthony Kilco	•	ranacloye.	
Ita Durkan, Br	-		
Tommie Mo			niversary and
deceased of the	ne McCo	rmack famili	es.
Monday	06 May	,	No Mass
Tuesday	07 May		No Mass
Wednesday	08 May		10.00 a.m.
Thursday	09 May		10.00 a.m.
Friday	10 May		10.00 a.m.
Sunday	12 May		11.30 a.m.
First Holy Com	nmunion		
Paddy Keane,	Furmoy	e.	
Liturgical Min	istries	Killeen: May	,
Eucharistic: Margaret Donnelly			
Reader: Margaret Donnelly			
Liturgical Ministries Louisburgh 12 May			
Eucharistic: Mary B Durkan, John Joe Gibbons			
Reader: Suzar	nne Cox		
Trócaire Coll	ection:	Thanks to	all who have

Trócaire Collection: Thanks to all who have already made a donation. To date €7,350 has raised. Please return all Trócaire boxes and envelopes by next weekend.

If donating by cheque please make your cheque out to "Trócaire".

Tuam Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes.

Living Well is a free HSE programme which helps people living with a long-term health condition to manage their condition and improve their overall wellbeing.

Anyone with any chronic illness such as diabetes, arthritis, COPD, cardiac illness, anxiety, etc. can benefit from these workshops.

The next programme is in Castlebar. it commences on Tuesday 28 May. The programme is delivered over six weekly workshops (2.5 hrs x 6) by trained leaders. Advance registration is required. To find out more, please contact Liam Gildea on 086 014 2675 or by email at lgildea@southmayo.com



Louisburgh Foróige

Darkness into Light Walk Saturday 11 May, 4.00 a.m. Meeting at Old Head Carpark. Come and join us.



Fáilte, Bienvenue, Welcome, Welkom, 歓迎, Willkommen, Bienvenidos, Benvenuto, Bem-vindo, Ласкаво просимо, Powitanie



A sincere welcome to all who are attending Féile Chois Cuain and to all who are on vacation and are visiting or