

# KILLEEN & LOUISBURGH NEWSLETTER 01 December 2024 Sunday 01 of Advent

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#### Killeen Church 01 December 10.00 a.m.

Paddy Gavin, Glenamurra, 6<sup>th</sup> anniversary, his wife, Anne and deceased of the Kilcoyne & Gavin families

Richard and Bridget Donnelly, Carrowniskey & DFM

Sunday 08 December 10.00 a.m.

Nora Margaret Gallagher, Cloonlaura, Month's Mind.

Mary B Frazer, 14<sup>th</sup> anniversary and deceased of the O Grady family, Kilgeever.

Kathleen Davitt, 14th anniversary.

James Martin O Malley, Feenone & DFM.

#### Louisburgh Church 01 December 11.30 a.m.

P.J. & Moira Burke, Bunowen 3<sup>rd</sup> & 6th anniversaries.

Pa and Mary Duffy, Ballyhip.

Annie and Willie Mayberry, Ballyhip.

Anthony O Grady (Sonny) Collahaun and DFM. Tommy and Evelyn Durkan.

Fr. Pat Kitterick.

Cannon Eamon O Malley.

Bridie O Malley.

Paddy and Josie Scanlon.

Monday	02 December	No Mass
Tuesday	03 December	No Mass
Wednesday	04 December	10.00 a.m.
Thursday	05 December	10.00 a.m.
Friday	06 December	10.00 a.m.

#### Sunday 08 December 11.30 a.m.

Grace Geraghty, Month's Mind.

Brigid Hannon, her husband, Tom, daughters, Marguerite & Eda, sons, Bell, Tony & Gabe, daughters -in -law, Maura & Anne, son- in- law, Liam & grandchildren, Bernard & Eaiín.

Liturgical Ministries Killeen: December

Eucharistic: Margaret Donnelly Reader : Martin Jennings

#### Liturgical Ministries Louisburgh 08 December

Eucharistic: Teresa O Malley, Ann Billington

Reader : Catherine Hartley

#### St. Vincent de Paul:

For assistance, please contact 087 921 0885 in confidence.

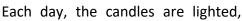
Adoration in Killeen Church Monday evenings, 7.00 p.m. to 8.00 p.m.

**Sick calls:** If anyone would like fr. Nelson to attend the sick at their home, phone the parish office on 098 66198.

**Louisburgh Choir Practice** Mondays, 6.30 p.m. to 7.00 p.m. New members welcome. children from 1<sup>st</sup> class upwards.

#### Advent Wreath:

Traditionally, the wreath is made of four candles in a circle of evergreens.



one candle the first week, and then another each succeeding week until Christmas. A short prayer may accompany the lighting.

Prayers on Lighting the First Candle on your Advent Wreath during the First Week of Advent Lord, our God,

we praise you for your Son, Jesus Christ:

He is Emmanuel,

the hope of all people,

he is the wisdom that teaches and guides us, and he is the Saviour of every nation.

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.

#### You shall be my witness – Enrolment

This Sunday 01 December we welcome to our Masses in Killeen and Louisburgh the children from our parish who are preparing for their Confirmation.

### Sacrament of Reconciliation Parish Penitential Service: Louisburgh, Sunday, 15 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 favorite **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 17 December at 7.00 p.m. in Louisburgh Church.
- Killeen Primary School pupils on Thursday 19 December at 6.30 p.m. in Killeen Church
- Sancta Maria College Students on Friday 20 December at 10.30 a.m. in Louisburgh Church.

## 2025 Confirmation

**Louisburgh:** Monday 07 April, 11.00 a.m. **Killeen:** Monday 07 April 2.00 p.m.

#### **First Holy Communion**

**Killeen** Sunday, 11 May 10.00 a.m. **Louisburgh** Sunday, 18 May 11.30 a.m.

**Killeen Community Centre:** Bingo every Friday night. Doors open at 7.30 p.m., eyes down at 8.00 p.m.

**Louisburgh Tidy Towns A.G.M.** will take place on Tuesday 03 Dec, at 7.30 p.m., upstairs room of Louisburgh Town Hall. All are welcome.

Louisburgh/Killeen Senior Citizens and Friday Club: Christmas party on Sunday 08 December in The Old Convent after 11.30 mass.

If you would like to attend this very enjoyable afternoon, please give your name to any committee member or phone Teresa on 098 66460. Transport available if needed.

Gaza Fundraiser taking place in Louisburgh Town Hall, Saturday 14 December from 10am - 3pm. Teas, coffees, bakes, cakes and second-hand books for sale. All funds raised go to Uisce for Gaza, Gaza go Bragh and Irish in Gaza. Contact Patrick with any questions or to help out-olaoghaire.p@gmail.com. All welcome.

Prevention of illness and infections during winter

<u>Hand Sanitiser</u> and face masks are available at the entrances to the churches for 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.

- Some people are very anxious about the virus transmission. Those who want to receive holy communion on the tongue, they may come to the priest.
- A nod or wave of the hand is acceptable at the sign of peace at Mass

#### **RURAL SOCIAL SCHEME (RSS)**

A catering/hospitality position is available on The Rural Social Scheme (RSS) in the Louisburgh area. To work on RSS you must be in receipt of a social welfare payment, i.e. Farm Assist or Jobseekers Allowance. You must also be linked to an active family farm. The RSS is primarily aimed at the farmer in the household, but the Spouse, Partner, Brother, Sister, Daughter or Son of the farmer may be eligible for participation on the RSS if they meet the eligibility criteria set down by the Department of Social Protection. Individuals interested in this position on the RSS should contact Martina Fadden on 087 7937071.

The AGM of Killeen Community Council will take place on Thursday 05 December in Killeen Community Centre at 8.00 p.m.. All are welcome to attend.

# **Exciting Volunteer role to become a Volunteer for Children with a disability.**

Have you some free time on your hands or have you always been thinking of becoming a Volunteer to help those in your community? Enable Ireland Mayo Services require Volunteers in all areas of County Mayo to work with Children with a disability. Our volunteers usually work oneto-one with a child within their home but also within their community or at our centre in Castlebar. No more than three hours are required per week. We work around your availability to make this exciting opportunity suit your lifestyle. Training is also provided. If you are interested please email sduffy@enableireland.ie for further information. This is a very rewarding role and our Volunteers are very positive about their experience