



<p><b>Sunday 26 January Killeen 10.00 a.m.</b>          Bridie and Michael McGreal &amp; deceased family members.          Maryann and Andy McGrail &amp; their son, Dominick, Killadoon.          Una O Malley and John Joseph McDonnell, Kinnadoohy &amp; deceased family members.          Kathleen Sutton, 5<sup>th</sup> anniversary.</p>
<p><b>Sunday 26 January Louisburgh 11.30 a.m.</b>          Mary and Eddie O Malley, Bunowen.          Paddy Culligan, Bunowen.          Mary Corrigan and her husband, Jimmy, Woodfield.          Laura Keane, Galway and Louisburgh &amp; deceased of the Maguire &amp; Keane families.</p>

**No Weekday Mass from Monday 27 January to Monday 03 March. There will be Liturgy of the word with distribution of Holy Communion.**

**On Sunday 02 February Fr Tony King will bless St Bridget's crosses, Candles and Throats.**

<p><b>Liturgical Ministries Killeen: February</b>          Eucharistic: Geraldine Ruane          Reader : Padraic O Malley</p>
<p><b>Liturgical Ministries Louisburgh: February</b>          Eucharistic : Helen Fahy,          Jimmy Corrigan          Reader: Breda McGinn</p>

**Pray for who died recently:**  
 Gaelie McManamin nee Morahan.  
 Padraic Staunton, Athboy and Old Head.  
 Tom Hickey husband of Mary Hickey, nee Gibbons, formerly of Derreen.

**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.

**Louisburgh Choir Practice** Mondays at 6.30 p.m. New members welcome. Children from 1<sup>st</sup> class upwards.

<p><b>Sunday 02 February Killeen 10.00 a.m.</b>          James O Malley, Corragaun.          Kate and Pat Corrigan, Shrawee &amp; deceased of the Corrigan family.</p>
<p><b>Sunday 02 February Louisburgh 11.30 a.m.</b>          Nora Kitterick, Furmoyle and deceased family.          Tony McCormack, 41<sup>st</sup> anniversary.</p>

**Blessing of St. Bridget's Crosses:**  
*May these crosses be a sign of our sharing in the Paschal Mystery of your Son and signify your protection of our lives, our land and its creatures. Through St. Brigid's intercession, during the coming year and always, may the blessing of God, the Father, Son and Holy Spirit, be on this cross, on the hands that made it and on our home where it hangs. We ask this through Christ our Lord.*

**Candlemas:**  
 At the Presentation of Jesus in the Temple he was revealed as the light to enlighten all nations. Candles will be blessed at Sunday Mass.  
*"Bless these candles and make them holy. Loving God, accept the prayers of your people, who will use these candles in praise of your name, that they may walk in the path of goodness until they reach that light which never fails."*  
**You are encouraged to bring along candles you wish to have blessed.**

**Feast of St. Blaise**  
*Blessing of Throats.*  
*The annual blessing of throats is a traditional sign of the struggle against illness in the life of the Christian. This blessing is ordinarily given during Mass, or a Liturgy of the Word, on 03 February, the feast of Saint Blaise.*  
*Through the intercession of Saint Blaise, bishop and martyr, may God deliver you from every disease of the throat, and from all other illness: In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.*

### **Pope Francis prayer for the coming year 2025.**

Every month, Pope Francis asks Catholics around the world to pray for a particular intention.

#### **January: For the right of education**

Let us pray for migrants, refugees and those affected by war, that their right to education, which is necessary to build a better world, might always be respected.

**Killeen National School** is enrolling for next September. Come along to our open evening on Monday 27 January from 6pm-7pm or by popping into the school during the enrolment week from Monday 27 to Friday the 31 January. All welcome.

**Holy Family National School Killeen** will celebrate 50 years of learning in 2025. We invite anyone who wishes to volunteer with our celebration plans, to come to Killeen Community Centre Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> Jan @8pm. There are lots of roles to fill to get our school ready for our birthday party in early summer. If you can't make the meeting but want to help you can email [killeen50birthday@gmail.com](mailto:killeen50birthday@gmail.com)

- Join Louisburgh Killeen Heritage on 1st February in Killeen Community Centre 2pm-4pm to make St Brigid's Crosses. Free event, all ages welcome, refreshments served.

#### **Louisburgh Foroige Monster Fundraiser:**

Sunday 09 February in Louisburgh Town Hall. Doors open at 7.30 p.m. Eyes down at 8.00 p.m. Raffle & Spot Prizes on the Night.

- Blessed St. Brigid's Crosses (blessed by Fr. Nelson) with prayer, handmade by our members & available to purchase locally at Gala and Stauntons Pharmacy, €5 each all proceeds going directly to our Young people here in Louisburgh Foroige.

Any Queries on where to purchase or to order them ,contact Marie 087 6530067.

**The hilarious Irish comedy by Tommy Marren "Matches and Old Flames"** will be performed in Louisburgh Town Hall on Friday 07 and Saturday 08 February at 8.00 p.m. This play guarantees a night of laughter for all. A fundraiser for the Hall is a "not to be missed" opportunity to enjoy a lovely night out for all age groups. Tickets available in Staunton's Pharmacy, Gala Post Office, McNamara's Pub and Staunton's Pub, Lecanvey.

**St. Brigid's crosses:** On the weekend of Sunday 26 January and Sunday 02 February, Castlebar youth Group will have some St. Brigid's crosses available in Louisburgh and Killeen Churches. They are available for a donation, which will go to the Irish Pilgrimage Trust Youth Group to help bring children and young adults with additional needs to Lourdes at Easter. We look forward to meeting with you.

**Celebrate St. Brigid's Day at Knock Shrine** from 11.00am to 3.30pm on Saturday, February 1<sup>st</sup>. The flame of St. Brigid will be present on the day, courtesy of the Brigidine Sisters, Kildare. Programme includes a global pause for peace at 12 noon, a blessing for those named after St. Brigid, contemplative prayer walk and an exploration of Brigidine spirituality. See [www.knockshrine.ie](http://www.knockshrine.ie) for more details.

#### **Mayo Cancer Support Church Gate Collection**

Mayo Cancer Support Association will be holding Church Gate Collections on the weekend of February 08&09 next at Louisburgh Church and Killeen Church. We would appreciate your continued support for this local charity that offers free emotional support to people affected by cancer and their families. See [www.mayocancersupport.ie](http://www.mayocancersupport.ie) for more. If anyone can volunteer to assist with the collections please call Orla on (087)9246875.

**Parking in Louisburgh Church Grounds;** All who use the car park while attending church are asked to park carefully and without causing obstruction to any other car or the pedestrian entrances. Please remember that in a case of emergency an ambulance or fire tender has to have access to both entrances of the church.